

## **CABINET – 9TH MARCH 2023**

### **Report of the Scrutiny Commission**

#### CHARNWOOD LOCAL DEVELOPMENT SCHEME 2023

##### Purpose of Report

To consider the comments and recommendations of the Scrutiny Commission in relation to the Charnwood Local Development Scheme 2023.

##### Recommendation of the Scrutiny Commission

That the Cabinet be informed that the Commission welcomes and supports the recommendations set out in the report of the Head of Planning and Growth.

##### Reason

The Commission, having carefully considered and asked questions on the report felt the Cabinet should approve the recommendations set out.

##### Meeting Discussion

- i. Late approval of the Local Development Scheme would mean that the existing programme would become out of date. The Local Plan Inspectors had asked that the Local Development Scheme be updated so it was clear when they made their report what the up to date forward programme for plan production was.
- ii. The timetable milestones for progressing new Supplementary Planning Documents (SPDs) were outlined on page 61 of the agenda. There was scope for members and community forums to participate in a consultation process during the development of the SPDs.
- iii. The council had a biodiversity policy document which provided guidance on securing biodiversity net gain on development sites and financial contributions towards off-site biodiversity net gain using S106 legal agreements.

##### Policy Justification and Previous Decisions

Scrutiny Commission Procedure Rule 11.12 sets out the procedure by which a report of a Scrutiny Committee should be considered by Cabinet.

##### Implementation Timetable including Future Decisions and Scrutiny

The information on this in the Cabinet report is not affected by the recommendation of the Scrutiny Commission.

## Report Implications

The following implications have been identified for this report.

### *Financial Implications*

There are no further financial implications associated with the recommendation of the Scrutiny Commission.

### *Risk Management*

There are no specific risks associated with the recommendation of the Scrutiny Commission.

Key Decision:	Yes
Background Paper:	Scrutiny Commission Minute 99 2022/23, 7th March 2023.
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