Section 1: Monitoring the Local Development Scheme

Introduction

This section reports on progress in achieving the timetable and milestones set out in the Council's Local Development Scheme (LDS) January 2015.

Each proposed Local Development Document identified in the LDS is listed below, with a brief review of progress. The LDS requires a further update to reflect the latest timetable for the preparation of the remaining elements of the Local Plan.

Summary of Progress up to April 2016.

Local Plan - Core Strategy

Work on the Core Strategy began in September 2006. Various consultation stages were undertaken between June 2007 and March 2013. The pre-submission publication period took place between May and July 2014. The Plan was submitted to the Secretary of State in September 2014. Hearings took place early in 2015 with adoption in October 2015.

The LDS 2015 anticipated that the Core Strategy would be adopted in the summer of 2015.

Progress of the Herefordshire Core Strategy

Milestone	LDS Date	Date achieved
Adoption	Summer 2015	Autumn 2015

Hereford Area Plan

The LDS anticipated a summer 2015 for an Issues and Options consultation. However, there have been delays to this process which means that consultation upon the plan will now be undertaken in spring 2017. As there will be subsequent delays to other stages if plan preparation these will be reflected in a revised LDS.

Progress of the Hereford Area Plan Programme

Milestone	LDS Date	Date Achieved
Public Consultation on Issues and Options	Summer 2015	Undertaken Spring 2017
Public consultation upon preferred options	Autumn 2015	Not yet undertaken anticipated dates will be reflected in the revised LDS

Minerals and Waste Local Plan

The 2015 LDS suggested public consultation a Natural Resources DPD issues and options consultation in summer 2015. However, the Core Strategy Inspector recommended the preparation of a Minerals and Waste Local Plan rather than the Natural Resources document. Progress on the document did not get underway until 2016 and will be set out in the revised LDS.

Travellers' Development Plan Document

The 2015 LDS anticipated this stage of consultation during spring 2014 but as a result of delays to the Core Strategy process progress was not as anticipated in the LDS.

Milestone	LDS Date	Date Achieved
Public consultation on issue and options		Completed Summer 2014
Public consultation on preferred options	Summer 2015	Summer 2016
Submission	Winter 2015	Not yet completed. To be reported in revised LDS
Public examination	Winter 2015/16	Not yet completed. To be reported in revised LDS
Adoption	Spring 2016	Not yet completed. To be reported in revised LDS

Progress of the Travellers Development Plan Document

Supplementary Planning Documents

The 2015 LDS includes reference to two proposed SPDs regarding Planning Obligations and a Design Guide Portfolio. These documents were to be progressed following the adoption of the DPDs but as the timetables for those documents have not been achieved as anticipated the work on the SPDs has not been undertaken. Revised timetables for the SPDs will be set out in the revised LDS and to be monitored in future AMRs.