BASFORD, BERRIDGE AND SHERWOOD AREA COMMITTEE - 18 DECEMBER 2019

Title of paper:	Local Plan Part 2: Land and Planning Policies Document – Adoption		
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Relevant Council Plan Key Theme:			
Nottingham People			
Living in Nottingham			\boxtimes
Growing Nottingham			\boxtimes
Respect for Nottingham			
Serving Nottingham Better			
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Summary of issues (including benefits to citizens/service users):

The purpose of this report is to bring the principal policies and proposals of the Land and Planning Policies Document (LAPP) which have a bearing on the local area to the attention of the Area Committee, as these will form part of the statutory planning framework for Nottingham.

The LAPP contains planning policies to guide decision making on planning applications and also includes 74 specific sites which are allocated for particular uses, such as housing, employment, retail or open space.

Once adopted, the LAPP will form the second part of the City Council's Local Plan for Nottingham City, alongside the Nottingham City Aligned Core Strategy (Local Plan Part 1), which was adopted in September 2014.

After extensive consultation, which included all area Committees, and a public examination, the LAPP is to be considered by full Council on 13 January, with a view to its adoption as formal policy.

At the time of writing, the Inspector's report of the Public examination is awaited. However, the Main Modifications to the LAPP agreed as part of the examination process have been subject to consultation, and there is a high degree of certainty about the content of the final Local Plan which means it is now capable of being given significant weight in the consideration of planning applications.

Site allocations and policy designations (e.g. open space, retail and employment etc.) are set out on the Policies Map, and changes to the Policies Map have also been published alongside the Main Modifications to the LAPP.

Recommendation:

That the committee notes that the Local Plan Part 2: Land and Planning Policies document and the accompanying Policies Map will be considered for adoption by a meeting of the Full City Council on 13 January and note the relevant policies and site allocations therein.

1 REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

1.1 Production of a Local Plan is a statutory requirement which impacts on the development of the Committees area.

2 BACKGROUND (INCLUDING OUTCOMES OF CONSULTATION)

- 2.1 If adopted by City Council on 13 January 2020, the LAPP will form part of the statutory planning framework for Nottingham, alongside the Core Strategy.
- 2.2 To date, the LAPP has been through several stages of formal and informal consultation:—
 - the Issues and Options consultation stage,
 - the Additional Sites consultation stage and the Preferred Option consultation stage,
 - three formal stages of consultation on the Publication Version,
 - the Revised Publication version and
 - the Main Modifications.

The last of these stages took place during a public examination conducted by a Government appointed independent Planning Inspector.

- 2.3 All documents can be viewed at www.nottinghamcity.gov.uk/examination. Once the Inspectors report is received the LAPP will be updated to reflect any necessary changes, check numbering and cross referencing and for any typographical errors before the final version is put before Council.
- 2.4 The policies in the LAPP address the following matters:
 - Climate Change
 - Employment Provision and Economic Development
 - Role of Town, District and Local Centres
 - Regeneration
 - Strategic Regeneration Sites
 - Housing Size, Mix and Choice
 - Design and Enhancing Local Identity
 - The Historic Environment
 - Local Services and Healthy Lifestyles
 - Community Facilities
 - Managing Travel Demand
 - Green Infrastructure, Parks and Open Space
 - Biodiversity
 - Minerals
 - Telecommunications
 - Land Contamination, Instability and Pollution
 - Developer Contributions
- 2.5 The LAPP also includes a Policies Map showing new or amended designations (e.g. the Castle and Creative Quarters, Retail Centres, Green Belt Revisions and Minerals Safeguarding Areas), together with the site allocations.

- 2.6 Policies of particular relevance to this Area Committee include Policies HO1 (Housing Mix) and HO2 (Protecting Dwellinghouses (Use Class C3) suitable for Family Occupation), which seek to encourage the provision of family housing on sites, and control the loss of existing family housing. There are also policies which seek to promote the vitality and viability of retail centres, and to ensure that the loss of existing employment land is controlled. Other policies seek to; increase the quality of design of new development, protect and enhance local open spaces and create new open spaces, and increase biodiversity.
- 2.7 The following site allocations are relevant to this Area Committee, and site plans and Development Principles are included as Appendix 1 to this report (in site order, rather than ward order). Development has commenced on some of the sites.

Basford Sites

PA15 Bulwell Lane - Former Coach Depot PA18 Vernon Road - Former Johnsons Dyeworks PA23 Radford Road – Former Basford Gasworks

Sherwood Sites

PA21 Mansfield Road – Sherwood Library

Berridge Sites

PA19 – Lortas Road PA20 – Haydn Road/Hucknall Road – Severn Trent Water Depot

NEXT STEPS

2.8 City Council will consider the Local Plan at its meeting on 13 January 2020. If adopted, it will be part of the statutory Development Plan for Nottingham. Planning applications received must be determined in accordance with the statutory Development Plan, unless material considerations indicate otherwise.

3 OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED IN MAKING RECOMMENDATIONS

3.1 None – the production of a Local Plan is a statutory requirement.

4 FINANCE COLLEAGUE COMMENTS

4.1 The production of the Local Plan is funded from Reserves earmarked for this purpose, and from within the Planning teams current resources. No additional funding is required (comments from Susan Tytherleigh, Strategic Finance Business Partner 24 October 2019).

5 LEGAL AND PROCUREMENT COLLEAGUE COMMENTS

As indicated in the main body of the report, the Council is under a statutory duty to produce a Local Plan of which the LAPP is part. Requirements relating to the production and adoption of the Local Plan are prescribed by regulations and the relevant statutory procedure has been followed. The approval of such documents is not the sole function of the Executive and only full Council can approve the adoption of the LAPP. As this report is for noting only no risks arise from it (comments from

Ann Barrett Team Leader, Planning and Environment Team, Legal Services, 24 October 2019).

6 STRATEGIC ASSETS & PROPERTY COLLEAGUE COMMENTS

6.1 Property has been fully consulted as appropriate throughout the preparation of the Nottingham City Land and Planning Policies Development Plan Document (Local Plan Part 2), The LAPP contains a number of sites owned by the City Council the development of which will increase the provision of new homes and employment opportunities, assist in regeneration and generate capital receipts for the Council (comments provided by Rod Martin, Property Development Manager, 31st October 2019).

7 **EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT**

7.1 An EIA has been produced for the whole plan but a separate one for this report is not required because the Area Committee is not making any decisions in relation to the Local Plan.

8 <u>LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS OTHER THAN PUBLISHED WORKS OR</u> THOSE DISCLOSING CONFIDENTIAL OR EXEMPT INFORMATION

8.1 Nottingham City Land and Planning Policies Development Plan Document (Local Plan Part 2), Proposed Main Modifications Version, May 2019.

9 PUBLISHED DOCUMENTS REFERRED TO IN COMPILING THIS REPORT

- 9.1 Department for Communities and Local Government, National Planning Policy Framework, February 2019.
- 9.2 Nottingham City Council, Local Plan Part 1: The Nottingham City Aligned Core Strategy, September 2014.