

**Bracknell Forest Council
Record of Decision**

Work Programme Reference	I058779
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1. **TITLE:** Amendments to arrangements for the exercise of powers relating to the Neighbourhood Planning Process

2. **SERVICE AREA:** Corporate Services

3. **PURPOSE OF DECISION**

To seek amendments to the governance arrangements for the discharge of decisions in relation to facilitating the neighbourhood Planning Process as set out in Table A at Appendix 1 to the report approved by the Leader on the 10 September 2015.

4 **IS KEY DECISION** Yes

5. **DECISION MADE BY:** Executive Member for Council Strategy and Community Cohesion

6. **DECISION:**

That:

- i. the proposed amendments set out at paragraphs 4.6 - 4.7 of the Director of Corporate Services' report to the Neighbourhood Planning decision making process set out in the original Table A, Appendix 1, of the Arrangements For The Exercise Of Powers Relating To The Neighbourhood Planning Process report approved by the Leader of the Council on the 3 September 2015 appended at Appendix A of the Director of Corporate Services' report be approved.
- ii. the substitution of the original Table A, Appendix 1 to the Arrangements For The Exercise Of Powers Relating To The Neighbourhood Planning Process Report, approved by the Leader of the Council on the 3 September 2015 with the Revised Table A, Appendix B, of the Director of Corporate Services' report to reflect the guidance provided by advisers at the Department for Communities and Local Government ("DCLG") and other required improvements to the Neighbourhood Planning Process identified from a recent review of the process be approved

7. **REASON FOR DECISION**

To amend the governance arrangements for various aspects of the Neighbourhood Planning decision making arrangements approved by the Leader on the 3 September 2015, to incorporate the guidance recently received by the Department for Communities and Local Government ("DCLG") and other necessary updating amendments required to streamline the Neighbourhood Planning process.

The arrangements set out in paragraphs 4.6 - 4.7 and the Revised Table A, Appendix B, of

the Director of Corporate Services' report continue to reserve the majority of the decisions relating to the Neighbourhood Planning process to the Executive Member for Planning and Transport (or Executive where appropriate) whilst affording the Chief Officer: Planning and Transport sufficient powers to administer and facilitate the Neighbourhood Planning process within Bracknell Forest Council.

8. ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED

None. The report recommendations reflect legislative requirements.

9. PRINCIPAL GROUPS CONSULTED: The public.

10. DOCUMENT CONSIDERED: Report of the Director of Corporate Services

11. DECLARED CONFLICTS OF INTEREST: None

Date Decision Made	Final Day of Call-in Period
26 February 2016	4 March 2016

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