



COUNCIL MEETING

21 MARCH 2019

GATESHEAD LOCAL PLAN – MAKING SPACES FOR GROWING PLACES (SITE ALLOCATIONS AND DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT POLICIES) – SUBMISSION

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

1. The purpose of this report is to seek approval to the content of the Making Spaces for Growing Places (MSGP) Local Plan document for its submission to the Planning Inspectorate for an independent examination.
2. The Council has a statutory duty to prepare a Local Plan. In March 2015 Gateshead Council adopted Planning for the Future Core Strategy and Urban Core Plan for Gateshead and Newcastle upon Tyne 2010-2030 (CSUCP), a Local Plan document which was prepared jointly with Newcastle City Council. The CSUCP forms Parts 1 and 2 of Gateshead's Local Plan, setting out borough-wide strategic policies (including the allocation of housing and employment growth sites), while providing a detailed policy framework supporting the development of Gateshead's Urban Core.
3. Progression of the MSGP, which will form Part 3 of Gateshead's Local Plan, will ensure that Gateshead has the land use policies to meet its' communities needs, and deliver the Council's strategic ambitions. MSGP includes non-strategic detailed site allocations and designations together with Development Management policies.
4. The Cabinet has considered the facts and issues arising from the report including alternative options and took all relevant advice before formulating their recommendation.

RECOMMENDATION

5. It is recommended that Council:
 - (i) notes the Consultation Statement March 2019 as set out in Appendix 2;
 - (ii) notes the amendments proposed to the submission draft plan as set out in the "Schedule of Proposed Minor Modifications" (see Appendix 3);
 - (iii) authorises formal submission of the Making Spaces for Growing Places (MSGP) Local Plan document, as set out in Appendix 4, and associated submission documentation to the Secretary of State pursuant to Regulation 22 of the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012;

- (iv) grants authority to the Inspector appointed to hold the public examination to make modifications to the MSGP Submission Document under Section 20 (7C) of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 as amended; and
- (v) delegates authority to the Acting Strategic Director, Communities and Environment and Strategic Director, Corporate Services and Governance, following consultation with the relevant Cabinet Member to:
 - (a) make any changes to MSGP and supporting documentation for consideration at public examination;
 - (b) prepare and give evidence in support of the examination of MSGP; and
 - (c) go out to consultation on any modifications to MSGP recommended by the Planning Inspector at the examination.