



PUBLICATION OF DECISION LIST NUMBER 8/14-15

MUNICIPAL YEAR 2014/15

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This document lists the decisions taken by the Cabinet at its special meeting on 17 December 2014. The list covers key and non key decisions. These decisions will come into force within ten working days of the date of this document (i.e. 9 January 2015) unless the appropriate Overview and Scrutiny Committee calls a decision in.

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If you have any queries or wish to obtain further report information or information on a decision please refer to:
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| 1/8/14-15 | Cabinet | 17 December 2014 | 1 | The Local Plan Consultation Document | Key Decision (Forward Plan Reference: FP673) | All | No | Environment | 1. |

LIST REFERENCE: 1/8/14-15

| SUBJECT / TITLE OF REPORT | | | | | | | | |
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| The Local Plan Consultation Document | | | | | | | | |

| Part 1 or 2 (relevant exempt Paragraph) | Wards affected by the Decision | Decision taken by | Date decision taken | Interest declared in respect of the Decision | Category of decision (i.e. Key, Non-Key, Council, Urgent) | Contact Details | Eligible for Call-in & Date to be called in by | Appropriate Overview and Scrutiny Committee |
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| 1 | All | Cabinet | 17 December 2014 | No | Key Decision (Forward Plan Reference: FP673) | Farhad Cantel 01707 357011 f.cantel@welhat.gov.uk | No | Resources |

| DECISION: | |
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| <p>(1) The Cabinet agreed, subject to the following amendments to publish the consultation document, Infrastructure Delivery Plan and Sustainability Appraisal for public consultation -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) That account be taken in the consultation document of the potential for Gosling to deliver an improvement of the sports facilities through a partial redevelopment of the site for housing for about 300 dwellings. (b) That the consultation document be amended to only include "more favourable" sites. (c) That "finely balanced" and "less favourable" sites be placed in a separate supporting document. (d) That because of its potential to cause coalescence of Hatfield and Welwyn Garden City, site HAT1- North West Hatfield be reduced in size to exclude land to the east of the promoted area and that consideration also be given to a reduction in size of site HAT2 – West Hatfield having regard to the scale of growth in this location as well as the need to maintain a gap between Welwyn Garden City and Hatfield. (e) That because the land was identified as safeguarded land in the District Plan site WGC4 – Panshanger Aerodrome and because it did not lay in the Green Belt it should be included in the consultation document as a "more favourable" site and be considered alongside possible Green Belt release sites. | |

- (f) That, because it was one of only two new employment sites that had so far been promoted for development and related to a fundamental question in the consultation document about whether to protect existing employment land and/or favour new sites, WeG4b Marshmoor for employment uses be included in the consultation document as a "finely balanced" site.
 - (g) That the wording of the Garden City letter be strengthened in consultation with the Executive Member for Planning, Housing and Community then sent to the Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government.
- (2) To delegate authority to the Head of Planning in consultation with the Executive Member for Planning, Housing and Community, to make minor amendments where these did not alter the intent of the strategy.
 - (3) To delegate authority to the Head of Planning in consultation with the Executive Member for Planning, Housing and Community, to agree the final version of the document for public consultation.

BACKGROUND:

Recommendations of Cabinet Housing and Planning Panel on 11 December 2014 to the Cabinet item 4 refers.