

## TANDRIDGE DISTRICT COUNCIL

### PLANNING POLICY COMMITTEE

Minutes and report to Council of the meeting of the Committee held in the Council Chamber, Council Offices, Station Road East, Oxted on the 18<sup>th</sup> July 2023 at 7.30pm.

**PRESENT:** Councillors Sayer (Chair), Chris Farr (Vice-Chair), Blackwell, Booth, Botten, Sue Farr, Gray (substitute in place of Robinson), Alun Jones, Moore, Prew and Steeds

**ALSO PRESENT:** Councillors Allen, Black, Crane, Damesick, Gillman, Pursehouse and Nicholas White

**ALSO PRESENT (Virtually):** Councillors Cooper, Evans, Gaffney and Windsor

**APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:** Councillor Robinson

#### 90. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON THE 22ND JUNE 2023

These minutes were confirmed and signed as a correct record.

#### 91. LOCAL PLAN PROGRESS REPORT TO INSPECTOR

The Committee resolved to move into 'Part 2' for this item in accordance with Paragraph 3 (information relating to financial or business affairs) of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.

A procedural meeting with the Local Plan Inspector had been arranged for the 27<sup>th</sup> July 2023. The Inspector had asked the Council to provide documentation in advance of that meeting (ID24) stating that:

*'It would be helpful to me in preparing for the procedural meeting if the Council could provide a document which details your suggestions for progressing the examination. In the document, please indicate how you wish to amend the Plan and why. This should include why your suggested changes are necessary for soundness.'*

A draft document was presented.

It was agreed that authority for preparing the final version of the document should be delegated to officers, with a view to it being sent to the Inspector's Programme Officer the following day.

**RESOLVED** – that:

- A. authority be delegated to the Head of Legal Services & Monitoring Officer, in consultation with the Chair and Vice Chair of the Committee, to:
  - (i) amend the proposed response to the Inspector at Appendix A to the report (by incorporating typographical corrections announced at the meeting and making further revisions);

- (ii) submit the document, as amended, to the Local Plan Inspector via his Programme Officer; and
- B. a copy of the document referred to in A(ii) above be shared with the team from the Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities ahead of a meeting scheduled for 20th July 2023.

Rising 9.18 pm