

# LOCAL DEVELOPMENT FRAMEWORK PANEL AGENDA



THIS MEETING IS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

**Date: Wednesday 3rd February 2010**

**Time – 6.00pm**

**Venue: Committee Room 1, Causeway House, Braintree CM7 9HB**

## **Membership:**

Councillor G Butland	Councillor H J Messenger
Councillor A V E Everard	Councillor Lady Newton
Councillor N R H O Harley	Councillor Mrs W D Scattergood
Councillor M C M Lager	Councillor Miss M Thorogood
Councillor N G McCrea	Councillor R G Walters

**Members are requested to attend this meeting, to transact the following business:-**

## **PUBLIC SESSION**

- 1. Apologies for Absence**
- 2. Declarations of Interests.**
  - (a) To declare the existence and nature of any 'personal' or 'personal and prejudicial' interests relating to items on the Agenda having regard to paragraphs 8 to 12 (inclusive) of the Code of Conduct for Members in Part 5 of the Constitution and having taken appropriate advice (where necessary) before the meeting.
  - (b) Any Member with a 'personal and prejudicial' interest to indicate whether he/she intends to make representations in accordance with paragraph 12 (2) of the Code of Conduct as part of Question Time.
- 3. Minutes.** To approve as a correct record the minutes of the meeting of the Local Development Framework Panel held on 18th November 2009 (copy to follow).
- 4. Question Time.** Immediately after the Minutes of the previous meeting have been approved there will be a period of up to 30 minutes when members of the public can speak about Council business or other matters of local concern. During this period Councillors who have declared a personal and prejudicial interest in any item of business on the Agenda may also speak as permitted by the Council's Code of Conduct for Members. Whilst members of the public can remain to observe the whole of the public part of the meeting, Councillors with a personal and prejudicial interest must withdraw whilst the item of business in question is being considered.

Members of the public wishing to speak should contact the Council's Member Resources Section on 01376 552525 or e-mail [alison.webb@braintree.gov.uk](mailto:alison.webb@braintree.gov.uk) prior to the meeting. The Council's "Question Time" leaflet explains the procedure and copies of this may be obtained at the Council's offices at Braintree, Witham and Halstead.

5. **Highways Study-Stage 2: Assessment of Transport Impacts of all Growth Proposed in the Braintree District Council Core Strategy.** To consider the attached report. (Page 1)
6. **Summary of Findings from the Essex Gypsy and Traveller Accommodation Assessment Final Report November 2009 (Fordham Research) and the Proposed Gypsy and Traveller and Travelling Showpersons Accommodation Policy for the Core Strategy.** To consider the attached report. (Page 8)
7. **Working Draft of Sections of the Core Strategy Submission Draft relating to Spatial Portrait, Vision, Aims and Objectives, Housing Policy, Affordable Housing, Gypsies and Travellers, Rural Economy, Town Centre Regeneration and Retailing, Transport and Site Specific Boundaries of Growth Locations.** To consider the attached report. (Page 19)
8. **The Local Development Scheme.** To consider the attached report. (Page 56)
9. **The Core Strategy Affordable Housing Policy – Threshold for Urban Areas.** To consider the attached report. (Page 77)
10. **Growth Area Funding.** To consider the attached report. (Page 83)
11. **The Habitats Regulation Assessment of the Core Strategy and Comments from Natural England.** To consider the attached report. (Page 90)
12. **Equality Impact Assessment of the Core Strategy.** To consider the attached report. (Page 118)
13. **Urgent Business.** To consider any matter, which in the opinion of the Chairman, should be considered in public by reason of special circumstances (to be specified) as a matter of urgency.
14. **Any Other Business.** To consider any other matters arising.

*To agree the exclusion of the public and press for the consideration of the following item for the reasons set out in Part 1 of Schedule 12(A) of the Local Government Act 1972.*

*At the time of compiling the Agenda, there were no items for inclusion in this part of the Agenda.*

## **PRIVATE SESSION**

15. **Urgent Business.** To consider any matter, which in the opinion of the Chairman, should be considered in private by reason of special circumstances (to be specified) as a matter of urgency.

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If you require any further information relating to this Agenda or wish to forward your apologies for absence, please contact Alison Webb on 01376 552525 Ext. 2614 or e-mail [alison.webb@braintree.gov.uk](mailto:alison.webb@braintree.gov.uk) The last page of this Agenda is numbered 152