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**LOCAL PLAN REVIEW (2016 - 2036) PREFERRED OPTIONS AND POLICY DIRECTIONS
CONSULTATION**

1. Decision:

The Cabinet:

- 1.1 Noted the summary of representations received to the Local Plan Review Scope, Issues and Options consultation and approved the officer responses.
- 1.2 Approved the Local Plan Review document, the Sustainability Appraisal and Habitat Regulations Assessment screening assessment for public consultation to be held between 28th January and 18th March 2019.
- 1.3 Delegated authority to the Cabinet Member for Economic Growth, Environment & Development Services in consultation with the Head of Economic Growth to make any minor changes to the appearance, format and text of the Local Plan Review Preferred Options and Policy Directions Document or the supporting documents prior to consultation in the interests of clarity and accuracy.

2. Statement of Reasons:

- 2.1 The Local Plan Strategy adopted in 2015 commits the Authority to preparing a Local Plan Review. To inform the review consultation was undertaken on the 'Scope, Issues and Options' during April and June 2018. The report requests that the Cabinet note the representations received to the consultation, approve the officer responses and approve the next round of public consultation.
- 2.2 The responses to the previous round of consultation have helped inform the next stage of the review which is the preparation of a Preferred Options and Policy Directions document. This draft document is accompanied by a series of supporting documents. Approval of Cabinet is sought for the draft document and related supporting documents and to undertake public consultation on the same.

3. Any Alternative Options:

- 3.1 Cabinet recommends not to progress with the Local Plan Review at this point in time. This would present difficulties in meeting the agreed timetable for completing the Local Plan Review.
- 3.2 Cabinet recommends alternative growth options be considered before consultation is undertaken.

ELFORD NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN - FINAL DECISION STATEMENT

1. Decision:

The Cabinet:

- 1.1 Noted the results of the referendum for the Elford Neighbourhood Plan.
- 1.2 Agreed to the making of the Elford Neighbourhood Plan and that this decision be reported to Full Council.

2. Statement of Reasons:

- 2.1 The report relates to the preparation of a Neighbourhood Plan covering Elford which has recently been subject to referendum. The Elford Neighbourhood Plan received a majority Yes vote at its referendum held on 29 November 2018. The District Council now has to formally 'make' the Elford Neighbourhood Plan, following which it will form a part of the Development Plan in Lichfield District.

3. Any Alternative Options:

- 3.1 The Lichfield District Council refuses to make the Neighbourhood Plan. The Council can only do this if it considers this would breach, or be incompatible with any EU Obligation or any of the Convention Rights.
- 3.2 Following the making of the Neighbourhood Plan, Lichfield District Council can decide to modify or revoke the Neighbourhood Plan, in line with the Regulations.