

**2<sup>nd</sup> November 2021****Agenda Item: 6****REPORT OF CORPORATE DIRECTOR - PLACE****DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT PROGRESS REPORT****Purpose of the report**

1. To report on planning applications received by the Development Management Team between 26<sup>th</sup> August 2021 and 13<sup>th</sup> October 2021, to confirm the decisions made on planning applications since the last report to Members on 14<sup>th</sup> September 2021, and to detail applications likely to come before Committee in the coming months.

**Background**

2. Appendix A highlights applications received since the last Committee meeting, and those determined in the same period. Appendix B sets out the Committee's work programme for forthcoming meetings of Planning and Rights of Way Committee and Members are asked to give consideration to the need for any site visits they consider would be beneficial on any application scheduled to be reported to committee in the near future.

**Review of the County Council's Validation Local List**

3. Since 2008 local planning authorities have been required to publish a list of information they require to "validate" the planning applications they receive. This Validation list forms two components, the national requirements, and secondly, specific local validation requirements known as the "Local List". The Council last adopted its validation requirements in February 2020. The Government requires local planning authorities to operate a "local list" which is no more than two years old. Additionally, since 2020 there have been some changes to planning legislation, policy and guidance and therefore officers have commenced a review of the Local list. Consultation with internal and external consultees (including with County Council members) on this revised document has commenced.
4. Following this consultation period, the County Council will consider all the comments received and amend the Validation Guidance as appropriate. The final Guidance Note on the Validation of Planning Applications will then be reported to this Committee in January 2022 for approval. If approved this will

replace the current Validation Guidance and will form the basis on which applications are deemed valid by the County Council

### **Statutory and Policy Implications**

5. This report has been compiled after consideration of implications in respect of crime and disorder, data protection and information governance, finance, human resources, human rights, the NHS Constitution (public health services), the public sector equality duty, the safeguarding of children and adults at risk, service users, smarter working, and sustainability and the environment, and where such implications are material they are described below. Appropriate consultation has been undertaken and advice sought on these issues as required.
6. The relevant issues arising out of consideration of the Human Rights Act have been assessed in accordance with the Council's adopted protocol. Rights under Article 8 and Article 1 of the First Protocol are those to be considered. In this case, however, there are no impacts of any substance on individuals and therefore no interference with rights safeguarded under these articles.

### **RECOMMENDATIONS**

7. That the contents of the report be noted.

**ADRIAN SMITH**

**Corporate Director - Place**

### **Constitutional Comments – (RHC 14/10/2021)**

Planning and Rights of Way Committee is the appropriate body to consider the contents of this report.

### **Financial Comments – (RWK 18/10/2021)**

There are no specific financial implications arising directly from the report.

### **Background Papers Available for Inspection**

None

### **Electoral Division(s) and Member(s) Affected**

All

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