

TITLE: Rossendale Borough Council Local Development Framework - Local Development Scheme

TO/ON: The Cabinet 22nd February 2006
Full Council 23rd February 2006

BY: Deputy Chief Executive

PORTFOLIO HOLDER: Cabinet Member for Regeneration

STATUS: For Publication

1. PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

- 1.1 This report presents the Council's second Local Development Scheme (LDS) prepared for submission to the Government Office for the North West (GONW)

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 That the Cabinet recommends that Full Council:
1. Approves the Local Development Scheme (LDS)
 2. Delegates authority to the Leader of the Council and the Acting Chief Executive to ensure the submission of the Local Development Scheme (LDS) to Government Office North West by 28th March 2005.

3. REPORT AND REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS AND TIMETABLE FOR IMPLEMENTATION

- 3.1 The LDS in accordance with Planning Policy Statement 12 (PPS) sets out the programme for the preparation for the Local Development Framework (LDF). The LDS provides an update to the first LDS prepared by the Forward Planning Team that provided an initial 3 year programme for preparation of Local Development Documents (LDD). The documents identified in the first LDS included:
- Statement of Community Involvement (SCI)
 - Core Strategy

- Rawtenstall Town Centre Area Action Plan (AAP)
 - Bacup, Stacksteads and Britannia Area Action Plan (AAP)
 - Allocations Development Plan Document (DPD)
 - Proposals Map
 - Development Control Policy Development Plan Document (DPD)
- 3.2 The submission of the revised LDS is based on the implementation of the first LDS during the first year of the programme. The details of progress of the first year can be viewed in section 2 of the Annual Monitoring Report (AMR) that was submitted to GONW on the 30th December 2005.
- 3.3 The revised LDS will provide the programme and stages of preparation and consultation for LDDs identified in the first LDS and additional documents that will be required to provide Rossendale Borough Council's planning policy. The additional documents will for Rossendale Supplementary Planning Documents (SPDs) that will supplement the Core Strategy and Area Action Plans (AAP) currently underway. The SPDs identified in the second LDS include:

Structure of Document

- Glossary of Terms
 - Section 1: Introduction
 - Section 2: The LDF Programme
 - Section 3: Document Profiles
 - Section 4: Local Plan Policies and the LDF
 - Further Information
- 3.4 The Cabinet should note that prior to submission to the GONW, milestones and text in the LDS may be subject to change following advice from GONW and the Planning Inspectorate (PINs)
- 3.5 The preparation and submission of the LDS will be in accordance with the regulatory requirements set out in Part 3, Regulation 6 – 12 of the Town and Country Planning Act (Local Development) (England) Regulation 2004.

4. CORPORATE IMPROVEMENT PRIORITIES

a. FINANCE AND RISK MANAGEMENT

b. MEMBER DEVELOPMENT AND POLITICAL ARRANGEMENTS

- 4.2.1 GONW and the Planning Inspectorate (PINs) are responsible for approving the LDS in accordance with Regulation 11(2) of the Town and Country Planning (Local Development) (England) Regulations 2004, whereby the First Secretary of State is satisfied with the contents of the Council's LDS and does not intend to issue a direction under Section 15(4) of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004.

4.2.2 Further Information on the LDF can be viewed at www.rossendale.gov.uk/fowardplanning including the ODPM's guide to the planning system, introduction documents to the LDF and general planning policy information.

c. HUMAN RESOURCES

5. ANY OTHER RELEVANT CORPORATE PRIORITIES

- a. The Forward Planning team has prepared and submitted an Annual Monitoring Report (AMR) on the 30th December 2005 and will receive Planning Delivery Grant for meeting the Performance Indicator BV200c: Plan-making: Monitoring Report published?
- b. The AMR provides comprehensive information regarding the implementation of the first year of the first LDS and performance monitoring information on the emerging Local Development Framework (LDF).
- c. The AMR is a requirement of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 and represents the starting point from which the Council will develop a performance and monitoring framework. This framework will ensure that planning policy and the potential impact on the social, economic and environmental well being of Rossendale will be continually assessed.

6. RISK

- 6.1 Failure to submitted LDS would mean that the Council would achieve BV200a Local Development Scheme submitted.

7. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS ARISING FROM THE REPORT

N/A

8. EQUALITIES ISSUES ARISING FROM THE REPORT

N/A

9. WARDS AFFECTED

The LDS sets out the LDF programme for development of Local Development Documents (LDD) that will provide the planning policy framework for the borough of Rossendale.

10. CONSULTATIONS

N/A

11. Background documents:

- A) Town Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004
- B) Town Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act (Local Development) (England) Regulations 2004
- C) Planning Policy Statement 12
- D) Planning Policy Statement 12 Companion Guide
- E) The Planning Inspectorate: Development Plans Examination - A Guide to the Process of Assessing the Soundness of Development Plan Documents, December 2005
- F) Rossendale Borough Council Local Development Scheme

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