

EPHING FOREST DISTRICT COUNCIL

Reference No: 2/2012-13

LEADER DECISION

Subject: Local Plan Cabinet Committee

Decisions:

- (1) To approve revised terms of reference for the Cabinet Committee on the Local Plan as set out in Appendix 1 to this decision; and
- (2) To publish the revised terms of reference as part of the Constitution.

Explanatory Note:

1. The current terms of reference of the Local Plan Cabinet Committee require that various stages of the process should be recommended by the Cabinet Committee to the Cabinet before action can be taken. This applies particularly to Paragraph 3.1 which deals with the main stages of the process.
2. Hitherto, in order to comply with the deadline set by the Council for completion of the Local Plan, reliance has been placed on Portfolio Holder decisions of various kinds to speed up the process. However, it is felt that there should be more collective decision making by the Council on some aspects of this process and with this in mind revised terms of reference are designed to avoid the requirement for the Cabinet Committee to report at every stage to the Cabinet before action can be taken. The Appendix to this decision shows changes to the terms of reference designed to achieve this objective.
3. These terms of reference will be reported to the next Council meeting for information purposes and included in the Constitution for future reference.

Legal and Constitutional Powers:

Local Government Act 2000
Local Government etc Act 2007

Signed _____
Councillor C Whitbread
Leader of the Council

Date _____

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