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**DEVELOPMENT SERVICES** 

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**DELIVERY** 

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SUBJECT: AUTHORITY MONITORING REPORT

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## 1.0 Recommendations

1.1 That the Committee notes the content of the Authority Monitoring Report (AMR) and authorises the publication of the document on the Council's website.

# 2.0 Purpose of the Report

2.1 To allow the Committee to note the content of the AMR, which provides information on the performance of policies in the adopted Local Plan Part 1 and 2 for the monitoring period April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018 to March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2019 and to seek authorisation to publish this on the Council's website

## 3.0 Detail

- 3.1 The preparation of an AMR is a requirement under the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012.
- 3.2 The Council has produced monitoring reports on an annual basis since 2004. These have historically been published in or around December each year. The reports present data on a wide range of issues such as the progress being made on the preparation of Development Plan Documents, and the number of homes and amount of commercial floor space completed or under construction.
- 3.3 The AMR includes monitoring for the Local Plan polices included in the Local Plan Part 1 and 2.
- 3.4 Particular areas of note from the report are that in the monitoring year there were 1,218 net housing completions of which 225 were affordable homes.
- 3.5 With regard to employment, there was a net employment land gain of 0.95ha within the monitoring period. There was net loss of employment floor space of 25,180sqm. This was predominantly due to the demolition of employment units on

Land at Hilton Depot Hilton, which is a housing allocation within the Local Plan Part 1 and the part demolition of a building to allow open storage on an existing employment site in Swadlincote.

3.6 In terms of retail, a local centre at Highfields Farms and a retail unit at Chellaston Fields (both strategic housing allocations) were completed within the monitoring period.

# 4.0 **Financial Implications**

4.1 None directly arising from this report.

## 5.0 Corporate Implications

# **Employment Implications**

5.1 None directly arising from this report.

# **Legal Implications**

5.2 None directly arising from this report.

## **Corporate Plan Implications**

5.3 The AMR allows effective monitoring of the Council's planning policies some of which are of importance in delivering the strategic priorities and objectives included in the Council's Corporate Plan and relative Service Delivery Plans produced by the individual directorates.

#### Risk Impact

5.4 None directly arising from this report.

## 6.0 Community Impact

#### Consultation

6.1 None

## **Equality and Diversity Impact**

6.2 None directly arising from this report.

#### Social Value Impact

- 6.3 The AMR notes that the level of affordable housing across the District has increased by 225 units in the monitoring period (2018/19).
- 6.4 The AMR records that there was a net loss of employment floor space of 25,180sqm within the monitoring period. The net loss was predominantly due to the demolition of employment units on Land at Hilton Depot Hilton, which is a housing

allocation within the Local Plan Part 1 and the part demolition of a building to allow open storage on an existing employment site in Swadlincote.

6.5 There was a net employment land gain of 0.95ha within the monitoring period.

# **Environmental Sustainability**

6.5 None

# 7.0 **Conclusions**

7.1 The AMR shall be published on Council's website following Committee approval.

# 8.0 Background Papers

Appendix 1: Authority Monitoring Report 2018/19