REPORT TO: ENVIRONMENTAL AND DEVELOPMENT AGENDA ITEM: 8

**SERVICES COMMITTEE** 

DATE OF 14<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2016 CATEGORY: \*see below

MEETING: DELEGATED

REPORT FROM: STUART BATCHELOR OPEN

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SUBJECT: LOCAL PLAN PART 2 REF:

WARD(S) DISTRICT TERMS OF \*see below

AFFECTED: REFERENCE: EDS03

### 1.0 Recommendations

1.1 Members agree the content of the report.

## 2.0 Purpose of Report

2.1 The report is being submitted to Committee to update Members on the Local Plan Part 2 consultation and progress towards the next consultation.

#### 3.0 Detail

- 3.1 Members agreed to a consultation being undertaken on the Local Plan Part 2 on 19<sup>th</sup> November last year. This consultation ran from December 2015 to February 2016 with 11 drop in events taking place which in the main were well attended.
- 3.2 The consultation generated 2,278 individual comments from 318 people or organisations. The consultation also brought forward at least 14 new sites that were unknown to Officers as possible development sites. Information on the Part 2 of the Plan can still be found at: <a href="http://www.south-derbys.gov.uk/planning\_and\_building\_control/planning\_policy/local\_plan/local\_plan\_part2/default.asp">http://www.south-derbys.gov.uk/planning\_and\_building\_control/planning\_policy/local\_plan/local\_plan\_part2/default.asp</a>.
- 3.3 The Planning Policy team have since the close of the consultation been considering these responses and summarising them in order to make them available online to view. Members will be advised when these are published. All of the questions asked through the questionnaire received a response.
- 3.4 The Part 2 Plan covers the following areas:
  - Policies for development in the countryside
  - Local Green Spaces
  - Non-strategic housing allocations
  - Revision of Settlement boundaries
  - Residential conversions and non-permanent dwellings
  - Secondary school site policy

- Retail policies
- Heritage policies
- Telecommunications and Adverts.
- 3.5 Almost 25% of the individual comments received were in regard to the housing sites and the distribution of the 600 dwellings across the District.
- 3.7 For the first consultation, the housing sites were assessed against Green Belt, Flood Zone 3b, being mainly covered by tree protection order(s) or not being adjacent or in close proximity to an existing settlement boundary. Further more detailed work is being undertaken on the sites to establish which should be considered for allocation.
- 3.9 The next steps for the Part 2 is to draw up a Draft version for consultation which is currently intended to be published around the end of June 2016. Following this and consideration of the responses received a Submission consultation (Regulation 19) will be undertaken in the Autumn of this year with the target of submitting the Plan to the Secretary of State by the end of the year.

## 4.0 Financial Implications

4.1 There are no direct financial implications with this report.

# 5.0 Corporate Implications

5.1 This report is concerned with the second part of the Local Plan that will allow for complete replacement of the 1998 Local Plan. An adopted Local Plan is a corporate priority as it will provide the Council with a clear plan for development up to 2028 and provide a more robust defence in terms of planning appeals.

#### 6.0 Community Implications

6.1 A fully adopted Local Plan will ensure that development across the District is achieved in as sustainable manner as possible and in a way that provides the infrastructure of community facilities for both the new residents but also existing residents.

### 7.0 Background Papers

7.1 Local Plan Part 2 consultation document

Appendix A: Settlement Boundary maps Appendix B: Local Green Space maps Appendix C: Housing Option Sites maps