
REPORT TO:	ENVIRONMENTAL & DEVELOPMENT SERVICES COMMITTEE	AGENDA ITEM: 7
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SUBJECT:	AUTHORITY MONITORING REPORT	
WARD(S) AFFECTED:	ALL	TERMS OF REFERENCE: EDS 03

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 1st, 2019 to March 31st, 2020 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 December or January each year. The reports present data on a wide range of issues such as the number of homes and amount of commercial floor space completed or under construction during the monitoring year and the progress being made on the preparation of Development Plan Documents.
- 3.3 The AMR includes monitoring for the Local Plan policies 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 1,285 net housing completions, of which 291 were affordable homes. These figures are an increase on the previous monitoring year by 67 and 66 homes, respectively. The Council can demonstrate a five-year housing land supply of 5.76 years.

- 3.5 There was net additional employment floor space of 2,885 sqm delivered during the monitoring period.
- 3.6 Regarding regeneration and the use of brownfield land, 13% of housing delivered within the monitoring period was on previously developed land and 52% of employment floor space was delivered on previously developed sites.

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 291 units in the 2019/20 monitoring period.
- 6.4 The AMR records that there was a net increase in employment floorspace over the monitoring period and a net loss in employment land, the latter being due to the construction of housing in accordance with a local plan allocation.

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 2019/20

Appendix 2: Housing Position Paper, January 2021