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A MEETING OF THE

Cabinet

WILL BE HELD ON THURSDAY 2 AUGUST 2018 AT 5.00 PM

MEETING ROOM 1, 135 EASTERN AVENUE, MILTON PARK, OX14 4SB

Members of the Cabinet

Member	Portfolio
Jane Murphy (Chairman)	Leader of the Council and Cabinet member for communications
Felix Bloomfield (Vice-Chairman)	Deputy Leader of the Council and Cabinet member for planning
Anna Badcock	Cabinet member for legal and democratic
Kevin Bulmer	Cabinet member for corporate services
David Dodds	Cabinet member for finance
Paul Harrison	Cabinet member for development and regeneration
Lynn Lloyd	Cabinet member for community services
Caroline Newton	Cabinet member for housing and environment
Bill Service	Cabinet member for partnership and insight

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ITEMS TO BE CONSIDERED WITH THE PUBLIC PRESENT

Reports considered with the public present are available on the council's website.

1 Apologies for absence

To record apologies for absence.

2 Minutes (Pages 3 - 5)

To adopt and sign as a correct record the minutes of the Cabinet meeting held on 10 July 2018.

3 Declaration of disclosable pecuniary interest

To receive any declarations of disclosable pecuniary interests in respect of items on the agenda for this meeting.

4 Urgent business and chairman's announcements

To receive notification of any matters which the chairman determines should be considered as urgent business and the special circumstances which have made the matters urgent, and to receive any announcements from the chairman.

5 Public participation

To receive any questions or statements from members of the public that have registered to speak.

CABINET DECISIONS

6 South Oxfordshire Local Plan (Pages 6 - 25)

To consider the head of planning's report.

MARGARET REED

Head of Legal and Democratic

Minutes

of a meeting of the

Cabinet



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held on Tuesday 10 July 2018 at 9.00am
Meeting Room 1, 135 Eastern Avenue, Milton Park, OX14 4SB

Present:

Cabinet members: Councillors Felix Bloomfield, Kevin Bulmer, David Dodds, Paul Harrison, Lynn Lloyd and Caroline Newton

Officers: Ben Coleman, Steve Culliford, Andrew Down, Adrian Duffield, William Jacobs, Suzanne Malcolm, Adrianna Partridge, Ian Price, Margaret Reed, Mark Stone and Christopher Wheeler

Other councillors: Sue Cooper and David Turner

Apologies: Jane Murphy, Anna Badcock and Bill Service tendered apologies.

7 Minutes

RESOLVED: to approve the minutes of the meeting held on 7 June 2018 as a correct record and agree that the Chairman sign them as such.

8 Declaration of disclosable pecuniary interest

None

9 Urgent business and chairman's announcements

None

10 Public participation

None

11 Benson Neighbourhood Plan

Cabinet received the head of planning's report on the Benson Neighbourhood Plan. The referendum for the plan took place on 28 June 2018, at which residents voted for its adoption.

Councillor Sue Cooper addressed Cabinet, welcoming the making of the neighbourhood plan but asking Cabinet to encourage delivery of a Benson relief road before any new housing development commenced.

The Cabinet member for planning updated Cabinet. In the ordinary course of events the council would proceed to make the plan part of its development plan. However, the European Court of Justice made a judgment on 12 April 2018 in a case commonly referred to as the 'People Over Wind'. This case might have implications for the neighbourhood plan relating to how the Habitats Regulation Assessment screenings were carried out as part of the plan's process. The Habitats Regulation Assessment formed part of the European Union obligations that neighbourhood plans must be in conformity with, or not in breach of, before the plan could be included as part of this council's development plan when determining planning applications. Consequently, the council was seeking legal advice. Pending receipt of this advice, consideration of the neighbourhood plan needed to be deferred. Cabinet concurred.

RESOLVED: to defer consideration of the making of the Benson Neighbourhood Development Plan as part of this council's development plan, pending receipt of legal advice on whether the neighbourhood plan is compliant with the European Court of Justice Judgment of 12 April 2018 (known as the People Over Wind judgment) relating to the Habitats Regulation Assessment.

12 Watlington Neighbourhood Plan

Cabinet received the head of planning's report on the Watlington Neighbourhood Plan. The referendum for the plan took place on 28 June 2018, at which residents voted for its adoption.

Councillor Sue Cooper addressed Cabinet, welcoming the making of the neighbourhood plan but asking Cabinet to encourage delivery of a Watlington relief road before any new housing development commenced.

The Cabinet member for planning updated Cabinet. Normally the council would proceed to make the plan part of its development plan. However, the European Court of Justice made a judgment on 12 April 2018 in a case commonly referred to as the 'People Over Wind', which might have implications for the neighbourhood plan relating to how the Habitats Regulation Assessment screenings were carried out as part of the plan's process. The Habitats Regulation Assessment formed part of the European Union obligations that neighbourhood plans must be in conformity with, or not in breach of, before the plan could be included as part of this council's development plan when determining planning applications. Consequently, the council was seeking legal advice. Cabinet concluded that consideration of the neighbourhood plan should be deferred pending receipt of this legal advice.

RESOLVED: to defer consideration of the making of the Watlington Neighbourhood Development Plan as part of this council's development plan, pending receipt of legal advice on whether the neighbourhood plan is compliant with the European Court of Justice Judgment of 12 April 2018 (known as the People Over Wind judgment) relating to the Habitats Regulation Assessment.

13 Exclusion of the Public

RESOLVED: to exclude members of the press and public from the meeting for the following item of business under Part 1 of Schedule 12A Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 and as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006 on the grounds that:

- i. it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act, and
- ii. the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.

14 New office accommodation

Cabinet agreed a site development option for the redevelopment of the former council office site at Crowmarsh Gifford.

Cabinet Report



Report of Head of Planning

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To: CABINET

DATE: 2 August 2018

South Oxfordshire Local Plan

Recommendations

That Cabinet:

- (a) approves the Local Development Scheme, attached at Appendix 1;
- (b) endorses the work programme set out to progress the Local Plan and bring a Publication version of the Local Plan to Council as set out in the timetable.

Purpose of report

1. To update councillors of the latest position regarding the emerging Local Plan for South Oxfordshire.
2. To approve the Local Development Scheme and endorse the work programme.

Strategic Objectives

3. The delivery of the South Oxfordshire Local Plan will contribute towards four of the Council's six strategic objectives.
4. The Local Plan has a key role to play in delivering the district's future as it sets out the level and distribution of development to 2033, which will help to shape the future of South Oxfordshire.

5. The potential of Didcot, is a strategic objective, which is supported by the retention of the existing allocations of land at Didcot for residential and employment related development. To further support this, additional allocations for residential development have been proposed which reflect extant planning permissions.
6. A key role of the South Oxfordshire Local Plan is to identify sufficient employment and housing land for existing and future communities. This directly supports the strategic objective to deliver 'homes and jobs for everyone.'
7. The emerging Local Plan supports the strategic objective to 'build thriving communities'. In addition to the provision for different land uses, the policies within the plan will ensure that developers provide the necessary infrastructure to support the new communities.

Background

8. This report follows earlier reports to Cabinet and Council in April/May 2018.
9. The South Oxfordshire Local Plan is the key document in the Development Plan for the district between 2011-2033 and, on its adoption, will replace the existing adopted Core Strategy and adopted Local Plan.
10. All local authorities are under a statutory obligation to prepare a local plan. We have previously consulted at the following stages;

Issues and Scope – June 2014

Refined Options – February 2015

Preferred Options – June 2016

Second Preferred Options – March 2017

Publication – October 2017

11. Following the close of the Publication period, the Council was advised that the landowners, Homes England, of one our strategic sites had been unable to reach agreement with their tenants, Martin Baker, to secure the land for housing. The site, Chalgrove Airfield, had been included in the draft Local Plan as a strategic allocation (3,000 homes).
12. Given the position with the Chalgrove site, Council needed to review how best to proceed with the Local Plan. The progress of the South Oxfordshire Local Plan was considered at a meeting of Council on 15 May 2018, where Council resolved;
 - a) subject to the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government confirming that submission of the South Oxfordshire Local Plan in January 2020 would not significantly impact on the Oxfordshire Housing and Growth Deal or the freedoms and flexibilities proposed as part of it, to ask officers to reassess all sites capable of forming a strategic allocation promoted through the Local Plan (to 2033) process up to the end of the Regulation 19 publication period (including all strategic sites proposed in the October 2017 Regulation 19 document) and to bring a draft Regulation 18/Regulation 19 document (as required) to Cabinet and Council to seek approval for publication for consultation; and

b) in the event that such confirmation from the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government is not forthcoming to the satisfaction of the Head of Partnership and Insight and the Head of Planning, in consultation with the Leader of the council and the Cabinet members for planning and partnership and insight by no later than completion of the site filtering exercise (expected July 2018), to adopt Option 3, set out in the report of the Head of Planning to Cabinet on 10 May 2018, and to ask officers to bring the Regulation 19 (October 2017) document including proposed additional reserve site(s) to Cabinet and Council to seek approval for publication for consultation.

13. Officers wrote an initial letter to the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government on 24 May, which is published on our website, and have maintained a dialogue with them over the last few weeks regarding the review process.
14. The site review work has provided an opportunity to review the possibility of an alternative(s) to Chalgrove airfield as well as undertake a review of all of the proposed Local Plan sites in the last version of the Plan from October 2017. This has ensured consistency and justification for the allocations, which the Plan ultimately promotes.
15. Officers are grateful to the support extended from the Planning Advisory Service (PAS) about the methodology and process of undergoing a site assessment process at this stage of the Local Plan development. Also in June 2018 the Planning Inspectorate provided a visit and meeting to SODC, where the methodology proposed was discussed and revised.
16. The process and principles employed has generated 15 sites which were then subject to a general appraisal. This work has now been completed and we have updated councillors in more detail on the outcomes of that general appraisal. This general appraisal has filtered sites to be taken forward to a more detailed appraisal and analysis. These are the sites which will now be subject to the evidence base updates needed to support any potential allocation in the Local Plan. Notwithstanding this, all sites will continue to be potential sites until a decision is made by Council.
17. In light of the progress made and the officer filtering of sites, we expect to be able to submit the Local Plan within the timescales set out in the Oxfordshire Housing and Growth Deal. Officers have reviewed the timetable and drawn up a more detailed week based project plan, which reflects the current position before a final decision is made by Council. This timetable provides a route forward to submission to meet the Oxfordshire Housing and Growth Deal milestones. The time required to complete the evidence base has been reviewed, as much of this work is reliant on external consultants and their ability to match our timescales. It does not include the potential for consultation on main modifications to the Local Plan (part of Examination process). If this is required, then the Local Plan could be adopted in January 2020.

April - May 2018	Information review of alternative sites
April – May 2018	Housing and employment land availability assessment update.
April 2018	Objectives Development
May - June 2018	Site Filtering exercise
June 2018	Round Table Session open to all district councillors – information review of alternative sites

April – Aug 2018	Evidence Base updates
Sept – Oct 2018	Draft Local Plan
October 2018	Round Table Session open to all district councillors – outcomes of site filtering and evidence
December 2018	Scrutiny/Cabinet/Council
Jan-Feb 2019	Publication of the Local Plan (Regulation 19)
March 2019	Submission to Secretary of State (Regulation 22)
March-Sept 2019*	Examination in Public (Regulation 24)
September 2019*	Inspector's report (Regulation 25)
November 2019*	Adoption (Regulation 26)

* timetable advised by the Planning Inspectorate

18. A revised Local Development Scheme for the South Oxfordshire Local Plan is set out at Appendix 1.
19. The implication of this would be that the Local Plan would be submitted beyond the proposed transitional arrangements for the NPPF but before the 31 March 2019, Housing and Growth Deal deadline.
20. The revised National Planning Policy Framework was published 24 July. Officers are assessing the impact on the work and will provide a verbal update at the meeting. This will include any impact upon the anticipated timetable, and whether we may need to discuss any impact on the Oxfordshire Housing and Growth Deal with the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government.
21. Officers remain in positive and regular communication with the Ministry for Housing, Communities and Local Government and Councillors will continue to be updated on the progress of the Local Plan through the Round Table Sessions for all district councillors. Officers continue to liaise closely with our partner authorities across Oxfordshire regarding the Housing and Growth Deal linked aspects of this matter.

Financial Implications

22. The preparation of the South Oxfordshire Local Plan is undertaken by officers within the Planning Policy team and is supported by an extensive evidence base. The activities of this team are met from the existing Planning Policy budget. Many of the documents which support the Local Plan will require to be updated. Much of the technical supporting evidence base has been prepared by external consultants and the additional work required will vary across the evidence base. However, officers believe updates can be covered from within the existing policy budgets.

Legal Implications

23. Local authorities are required by law to prepare a development plan for their administrative area and the process for doing that is governed by statute. The Local Development Scheme demonstrates how the council is progressing it's Local Plan to adoption.

Risks

24. A failure to progress a Local Plan that identifies future development requirements for the area and strategic locations where these requirements can be accommodated will result in a policy vacuum, increasing the risk of ad hoc development proposals being submitted and potentially, to decisions being secured by appeal.
25. The absence of a Local Plan could result in an uncoordinated approach to development, leading to inappropriate and incremental development being allowed on appeal that does not take account of cumulative implications and requirements for supporting infrastructure, with the potential for adverse environmental impacts.

Other Implications

26. The implication of the revised timetable is that the Local Plan would be submitted beyond the proposed transitional arrangements for the NPPF, but before the Housing and Growth Deal local plan submission deadline.

Conclusion

27. Cabinet is asked to consider the attached updated timetable for the Local Plan (Local Development Scheme) and approve this and endorse the work programme moving forward.

Background Papers

None



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South Oxfordshire District Council Local Development Scheme

August 2018



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What is the Local Development Scheme?

1. A Local Development Scheme (LDS) is required to be prepared by South Oxfordshire District Council (the Council) under Section 15 of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 (as amended by the Localism Act 2011).
2. The LDS must specify (among other matters) the documents which, when prepared, will comprise the Development Plan for the area. It must be made available publicly and kept up-to-date. It is important that local communities and interested parties can keep track of progress.
3. The LDS sets out the timetable to produce Development Plan Documents (DPDs) which comprise the Development Plan, including the Local Plan, and sets out the key production and public consultation stages of DPDs. This enables the community, businesses, developers, service and infrastructure providers and other interested organisations to know which DPDs are to be prepared for the area and when they will be able to participate¹.
4. The LDS does not contain the timetable for emerging Neighbourhood Plans in the District, although these will form part of the development plan. This is because Neighbourhood Plans are not prepared by this Council, but instead by the relevant town and parish councils.
5. This LDS replaces the previous LDS published in February 2017.
6. This LDS provides information about the preparation of the **South Oxfordshire Local Plan 2033** and related documents which will replace the Local Plan 2011 (adopted in 2006) and the Core Strategy (adopted in 2012).
7. Further documents will be added to the LDS programme as the need for them becomes apparent and resources allow.
8. The Authority Monitoring Report produced by the Council will review the implementation of the LDS.

¹ Public consultations will continue to be advertised and stakeholders notified when important documents are published for public consultation, in accordance with our published **Statement of Community Involvement** which is available here: <http://www.southoxon.gov.uk/services-and-advice/planning-and-building/planning-policy/local-development-framework/community-invo>

Development Plan Documents

9. **Development Plan Documents** (DPDs) are planning strategies that contain policies for the use, protection and/or development of land, usually including the allocation of land for development. These must be in general conformity with government guidance, in particular the National Planning Policy Framework 2012.
- A **local plan** sets out local planning policies and identifies how land is used, determining what will be built where. Adopted local plans provide the framework for development across England. The preparation of a local plan is a statutory requirement. A Local Plan may be a single document or a suite of Development Plan Documents (which can cover specific policy matters or specific geographical areas).
 - Through the [Oxfordshire Growth Deal](#), the Council has committed to preparing a **Joint Strategic Spatial Plan (JSSP)** with the other authorities in Oxfordshire. This document will be part of the development plan for South Oxfordshire once it has passed an examination in public and the Council has adopted the plan. The JSSP will have its own Local Development Scheme which add detail to the following milestones.
 - Early 2019 – Regulation 18 published for formal consultation
 - 30 October 2019 - Draft JSSP published for formal consultation
 - 31 March 2020 - Submission of JSSP
 - 31 March 2021 JSSP Adoption (subject to examination)
 - In areas that have County and District Councils, such as South Oxfordshire, the County Council has the responsibility for producing **Minerals and Waste Local Plans**. For South Oxfordshire this responsibility falls to Oxfordshire County Council.
 - **Neighbourhood Plans** are not compulsory. However, when duly prepared they are a statutory document that forms part of the development plan. In Parished areas, such as ours, these are prepared by a town or parish council or councils. Neighbourhood Plans must be in general conformity with the Local Plan. They are prepared in a timescale that is set by the parish councils, not the Council, and therefore the timetable for their preparation is not contained within this LDS.
 - **Supplementary Planning Documents** (SPD) are not part of the statutory Development Plan but provide additional guidance on matters covered by Development Plan Documents.

Existing Development Plan Documents

10. The statutory development plan is the set of DPDs that together form the statutory basis for determining planning applications in South Oxfordshire.
11. On publication of this LDS, the statutory development plan for the Council comprises:

Name of Existing DPD/NDP	Date Adopted or Made
District Council documents	
South Oxfordshire Local Plan 2011	Adopted 20 January 2006 with policies “saved” in November 2008 and several policies either deleted or replaced in December 2012
South Oxfordshire Core Strategy (2027)	December 2012
Oxfordshire County Council documents	
Oxfordshire Minerals and Waste Local Plan (1996)	Adopted July 1996 with policies “saved” 25 September 2007
Oxfordshire Minerals and Waste Local Plan Part 1: Core Strategy	12 September 2017
Neighbourhood Plans	
Thame Neighbourhood Plan	18 July 2013
Woodcote Neighbourhood Plan 2013-2027	15 May 2014
Joint Henley and Harpsden Neighbourhood Development Plan	14 April 2016
Sonning Common Neighbourhood Development Plan	13 October 2016
Brightwell cum Sotwell Neighbourhood Development Plan	12 October 2017
Chinnor Neighbourhood Development Plan	12 October 2017
Long Wittenham Neighbourhood Development Plan	12 October 2017
Dorchester on Thames Neighbourhood Development Plan	19 April 2018

Future Development Plan Documents

12. The Council is working on a review of its Local Plan and associated Development Plan Documents.
13. In addition to those listed in the table above, the statutory development plan for the Council will also include:
 - South Oxfordshire Local Plan 2033
 - Oxfordshire Joint Strategic Spatial Plan
 - Oxfordshire Minerals and Waste Local Plan Part 2
 - Any other “made” (adopted) Neighbourhood Plans
 - Didcot Garden Town Development Plan Document (prepared jointly with Vale).
14. Further information on the status of Neighbourhood Plans is available below and on our website:
<http://www.southoxon.gov.uk/services-and-advice/planning-and-building/planning-policy/neighbourhood-plans>

Development Plan Documents Timetable

15. South Oxfordshire District Council is working on a review of its Local Plan and associated documents.
16. Following the announcement of Didcot Garden Town, the work undertaken on the Science Vale Area Action Plan will provide the basis for a Garden Town DPD. The council has worked with Vale of White Horse District Council to ensure that policies and relevant text align or complement each other.
17. The following tables set out the content, coverage and timetable for these documents, (the timetable is also illustrated in Figure 1 below).

Local Plan 2033	
Role & Subject	This document will set out the overall development strategy for the period from 2011 to 2033. It will include strategic policies as well as locations for strategic housing and employment sites.
Coverage	District-wide
Conformity	With the National Planning Policy Framework
Replaces	Local Plan 2011 and Core Strategy
Timetable – Key Stages	
Public Consultation on Scope & Issues (Regulation 18)	June 2014
Public Consultation on Refined Options (Regulation 18)	Feb 2015
First Public Consultation on Preferred Options (Regulation 18)	June 2016
Second Public Consultation on Preferred Options (Regulation 18)	March 2017
Public Consultation on Pre-Submission (Regulation 19)	October 2017
Second Public Consultation on Pre-Submission (Regulation 19)	January 2019
Submission to Secretary of State (Regulation 22)	March 2019
Examination in Public (Regulation 24)	March 2019 – September 2019
Inspector’s report (Regulation 25)	September 2019
Adoption (Regulation 26)	November 2019
<i>(Regulation references taken from The Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012)</i>	

Development Plan Documents Timetable

Joint Didcot Garden Town DPD	
Role & Subject	This document will set out the key policies to implement the vision and objectives of the Didcot Garden Town delivery document
Coverage	Didcot Garden Town area – cross boundary with Vale of White Horse
Conformity	With the National Planning Policy Framework, and strategic policies within South Oxfordshire Local Plan 2033 and Vale of White Horse Local Plan 2031 (Parts 1 and 2)
Replaces	N/A
Timetable – Key Stages	
Public Consultation on Preferred Options/Draft Plan (Regulation 18)	April/May 2019
Public Consultation on Pre-Submission (Regulation 19)	Feb/March 2020
Submission to Secretary of State (Regulation 22)	July 2020
Examination in Public (Regulation 24)	November 2020
Inspector's report (Regulation 25)	March 2021
Adoption (Regulation 26)	June 2021
<i>(Regulation references taken from The Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012)</i>	

Development Plan Documents Prepared by Others

18. At the time of writing a number of **Neighbourhood Plans** are being prepared in South Oxfordshire. The following parish or town councils have all had their areas approved and are preparing their Neighbourhood Plans, or a replacement Neighbourhood Plan with their communities:

- Aston Rowant
- Beckley and Stowood
- Benson*
- Berinsfield
- Berrick Salome
- Chalgrove
- Cholsey
- Clifton Hampden
- Cuddesdon and Denton
- Crowmarsh
- East Hagbourne
- Ewelme
- Garsington
- Goring-on-Thames
- Horspath
- Kidmore End
- Lewknor
- Little Milton
- Pyrton
- Sandford-on-Thames
- Shiplake
- Sonning Common
- Stanton St John
- Sydenham
- The Baldons (Marsh Baldon and Toot Baldon)
- Tetsworth
- Tiddington with Albury
- Thame
- Towersey
- Wallingford
- Warborough and Shillingford
- Watlington*
- Wheatley
- Whitchurch-on-Thames
- Woodcote

*These plans have passed referendum and we expect them to be made shortly.

19. A number of other parishes and communities are also beginning the process of creating Neighbourhood Plans.
20. The District Council can only set a timetable for DPDs it is preparing itself (or jointly with another Local Authority). As it is parish councils or neighbourhood forums that will decide to produce Neighbourhood Plans it is not appropriate for this LDS to specify when, or for where, they will be produced. The timetable for preparing a Neighbourhood Plan is set by and can be obtained from the relevant town or parish council or Neighbourhood Plan group.
21. Oxfordshire County Council is working towards the **Oxfordshire Minerals and Waste Local Plan 2031 Part 2** -Minerals Sites and Waste Site Allocations Document .The Oxfordshire Minerals and Waste Local Plan Core Strategy 2031 (Part 1) has been adopted. The timetable for the Minerals and Waste Local Plans is set by the County Council. The timetable for the Oxfordshire Minerals and Waste Core Strategy 2031 is available here:
<https://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/cms/content/minerals-and-waste-core-strategy>

Other Documents that Support the South Oxfordshire Local Plan 2033

Existing Documents

22. The Council adopted a **Statement of Community Involvement (SCI)** on 15 June 2017. The SCI sets out how we will engage with our communities who can influence new planning policy documents and the ways to comment upon planning applications for development.
23. The Council adopted a **Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) Charging Schedule** on 18 February 2016 which took effect on 1 April 2016. This followed two rounds of public consultations and examination by an independent Planning Inspector. In line with the adoption of the CIL, on 1 April 2016 the Council adopted a Section 106 Planning Obligations Supplementary Planning Document which sets out the Council's approach towards seeking planning obligations when the Community Infrastructure Levy has come into effect.
24. **Supplementary Planning Documents (SPD)** (and their predecessors, Supplementary Planning Guidance (SPG)) complement or expand upon local plan policies, for example describing in more detail how an allocated site should be developed. Whilst SPDs are not part of the statutory development plan they are an important consideration in determining planning applications. A SPD cannot allocate new sites for development nor contain new policies for the use or development of land, and they must not conflict with the adopted development plan.
25. Local planning authorities are required to prepare and publish an **Authority Monitoring Report (AMR)** on the progress of their development plans. It is anticipated that the Council will produce a AMR every 12 months and that this will be made available to the public on the Council's website. The AMR is not subject to public consultation. The 2016/17 AMR was published in September 2017.
26. The Council currently has a number of adopted SPDs/SPG. Some of these SPDs/SPG have now served their purpose. On publication of this LDS, SPDs/SPG comprise:

Name of SPD/SPG	Date Adopted
Traditional Shopfront Design Guide	November 1995
The Chilterns Buildings Design Guide SPG	Dec 2000
South Oxfordshire Landscape Assessment SPG	July 2003
Vauxhall Barracks Development Brief SPG	Feb 2004
Affordable Housing SPG	Sept 2004
Didcot Town Centre SPD	May 2009
Oxford Brookes University Wheatley Masterplan SPD	Dec 2012
Section 106 Planning Obligations SPD	March 2016
South Oxfordshire Design Guide SPD	November 2016

Future Documents

27. The Council is working on an **Affordable Housing Supplementary Planning Document** with the Vale of White Horse District Council. The timetable for this document will be set out in the next version of the Local Development Scheme.
28. South Oxfordshire is working with the other Oxfordshire districts to produce a **Joint Spatial Plan** which will cover the whole county and set a high level planning framework for all local plan documents in the future. The timetable for this document will be set out in the next version of the Local Development Scheme
29. The District Council will also prepare a **Supplementary Planning Document (SPD) for Culham Science Centre** and adjacent land. This SPD will set out comprehensive development framework for this site in accordance with the emerging Local Plan. The SPD will be a material consideration in assessing future planning applications for the site and will provide more detailed guidance ensuring the successful comprehensive development of this strategic site.
30. The Council is working on a review of the **Community Infrastructure Levy Charging Schedule** in line with its review of the Local Plan. CIL charging schedules are not formally part of the relevant Plan, but charging schedules and relevant plans should inform and be generally consistent with each other. The process for preparing a CIL Charging Schedule is similar to that which applies to the Local Plan. Guidance on the CIL is available on the Planning Practice Guidance website: <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/community-infrastructure-levy>.

CIL Review	
Role & Subject	This document will set out the Council's charging schedule which the Council will levy on the net increase in gross internal floorspace area arising from development to fund local infrastructure required to support development in the area. The charging schedule sets out the rates of CIL which will apply in the district. This will involve consultation and independent examination. The published rate(s) within the charging schedule will enable liable parties to calculate their expected CIL liability.
Coverage	South Oxfordshire District area in full
Conformity	With the National Planning Policy Framework and Local Plan policies and the Community Infrastructure Levy Regulations 2010 (as amended)
Replaces	CIL Charging Schedule Adopted February 2016
Timetable – Key Stages	
Public Consultation - Preliminary Draft Charging Schedule (Regulation 15)	January 2019
Public Consultation - Draft Charging Schedule (Regulation 16)	April-May 2019
Submission (Regulation 19)	July-Aug 2019
Examination	Sept-Oct 2019
Inspector's Report	Nov-Dec 2019
Adoption	Jan 2020
<i>(Regulation references taken from Community Infrastructure Regulations 2010)</i>	

Changes from the previous Local Development Scheme

31. Changes to the LDS, since the last version was published in February 2017, have been made to enable the Council to plan for the preparation of the emerging Local Plan 2033. This new timetable includes an additional Regulation 19 consultation to reflect a decision made by the Council to pause the submission of the Local Plan whilst a review of all sites capable of forming a strategic allocation was undertaken.
32. The Council now plans to produce a **Didcot Garden Town DPD**. Details of the policies for the use, protection and/or development of land and allocation of land for development in and around Didcot are contained within the Local Plan 2033.
33. The CIL Charging Schedule was adopted by the Council in February 2016. In line with the preparation of the Local Plan 2033 the 2016 CIL Charging Schedule is also being reviewed.

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