

REPORT TO: Environment and Urban Renewal Policy and Performance Board

DATE: 21st February 2024

REPORTING OFFICER: Executive Director Environment & Regeneration

PORTFOLIO: Environment and Urban Renewal

SUBJECT: Local Development Scheme

WARD(S) Borough wide

1.0 **PURPOSE OF THE REPORT**

1.1 To present the Board with a Draft Local Development Scheme (LDS) report which is produced annually. The Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 (as amended by the Localism Act 2011) requires local planning authorities to prepare, maintain and publish an LDS. The LDS provides the starting point for local communities, businesses, developers, service and infrastructure providers and other interested stakeholders to find out what local planning policy documents relate to their area and the timetable for their preparation.

1.2 Local planning authorities are required to publish information an LDS under The Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 (as amended by the Localism Act 2011) requires local planning authorities to prepare, maintain and publish annually.

1.3 In accordance with the Council's Statement of Community Involvement and the regulations set out in the Town and Country Planning Act, as the LDS is not classed as a process document the Council are not required to publicly consult on them. However once endorsed by the Council the LDS will be available to view on the Councils website.

2.0 **RECOMMENDATION: That the Board endorse the draft LDS and supports it progress to the Executive Council for approval.**

3.0 **SUPPORTING INFORMATION**

3.1 The LDS underpins Halton's Delivery and Allocations Local Plan, by providing a timetable for a number of Supplementary Planning Documents (SPD) due in 2023/24.

3.2 Supplementary Planning Documents (SPD) (and their predecessors, supplementary planning guidance) complement or expand upon

local plan policies, for example describing in more detail how an allocated site should be developed.

4.0 **POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

4.1 Members wish to ensure that LDS supports the policies are performing effectively and the DALP strategies are being met.

5.0 **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

5.1 The AMRs will need to be updated annually, which will impact on staff resources.

6.0 **IMPLICATIONS FOR THE COUNCIL'S PRIORITIES**

6.1 **Children & Young People in Halton**

None

6.2 **Employment, Learning & Skills in Halton**

None

6.3 **A Healthy Halton**

Promotes the delivery of the Open Space SPD

6.4 **A Safer Halton**

None

6.5 **Halton's Urban Renewal**

Promotes the delivery of the Transport and Accessibility, House of Multiple Occupation, and House Extension SPD's

7.0 **RISK ANALYSIS**

7.1 There are no legal or financial risks arising from this report.

8.0 **EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY ISSUES**

8.1 There are no equality and diversity implications arising from this report.

9.0 **CLIMATE CHANGE IMPLICATIONS**

9.1 Promotes the delivery of a Climate Change SPD.

10.0 **LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS UNDER SECTION 100D OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972**

None under the meaning of the Act.
