**LOCAL DEVELOPMENT SCHEME**

**Item HP 25/7 referred from Housing and Planning Scrutiny Select Committee of 12 February 2025**

Careful consideration was given to a revised Local Development Scheme (LDS), which had been updated to account for the delay of the Regulation 18 Local Plan consultation as a result of the Government's 'Proposed reforms to the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) and other changes to the planning system' consultation and the implications of this for plan-making. It was noted that in accordance with the timeframe provided by the Government following the publication of the revised NPPF, local authorities were required to update their LDS and submit the timetable by 6 March 2025.

Key stages of the revised LDS were set out in a timetable included in Annex 1 to the report and particular reference was made to the proposed timescales to undertake the second stage of Regulation 18 Local Plan consultation in October 2025, to publish the Pre-Submission Local Plan at Regulation 19 in Quarter 2 of 2026/27 and to submit the Local Plan to the Secretary of State by 12 December 2026.

Risks associated with the delivery of a Local Plan by the deadline set by the Government were summarised in paragraph 9.5 of the report and detailed in the Risk Register attached at Annex 2.

**RECOMMENDED**:* That

(1) the updated Local Development Scheme (February 2025), attached at Annex 1, be commended to Cabinet for approval.

***Recommended to Cabinet**