

RECORD OF DECISION TAKEN UNDER CABINET MEMBER DELEGATED POWERS
AT COUNTY HALL, NEWPORT, ISLE OF WIGHT ON 23 November 2018

THE CALL IN PERIOD FOR THIS DECISION EXPIRES AT 5.00PM ON 30 NOVEMBER 2018. THE DECISION CANNOT BE IMPLEMENTED UNTIL AFTER THAT DATE.

Present: Cllr Barry Abraham - Cabinet Member for Planning and Housing
Megan Tuckwell – Democratic Services Officer

Item	Draft Island Planning Strategy
Reference	12/18
Notice of Decision Published	14 November 2018
Decision taken	To publish the draft Island Planning Strategy based on the current standard methodology and 2014 household projections, along with the current evidence base, for public consultation in accordance with the Statement of Community Involvement for an 8-week period commencing in December 2018 and ending in January 2019.
Reason for decision	<p>If the Council wishes to have a development plan that facilitates the achievement of its corporate objectives as set out in the Corporate Plan and in the Regeneration Strategy, then it needs to progress the Island Planning Strategy as this provides the land-use planning framework for the delivery of these high-level documents.</p> <p>With regard to the risks relating to the Government’s housing projection figures, it is clear that Government intends to publish (at sometime within the plan processes) higher figures. Given that all current evidence is based upon a figure higher than the 2016 projections, it is perhaps prudent to continue the plan with these figures on the basis that by the time the plan is submitted, new (and higher) figures will have been issued.</p> <p>On this basis, the draft IPS and related evidence base will have been tested at public consultation with a figure that may be close to the final figures published by Government. In this context, the Government’s Chief Planner has advised local planning authorities not to reduce the proposed level of housing in their emerging local plans on the basis that the recent figures will be superseded in the near future. As such the recommendation was to proceed with the Island Planning Strategy with the current levels of housing provision (i.e. that based upon the 2014 based projections).</p>
Additional reasons	There were no additional reasons. However, the start date on the consultation was been delayed to coincide with the beginning of the month.

<p>Options considered and rejected</p>	<p>Option 2: To consult on a draft IPS, based on the current standard methodology and 2016 household projections, along with the current evidence base, for public consultation in accordance with the Statement of Community Involvement for an 8-week period commencing in November 2018 and ending in January 2019.</p> <p>Option 3: To consult on a draft IPS, based on the current standard methodology and 2016 household projections, and an updated evidence base that is aligned to this, for public consultation in accordance with the Statement of Community Involvement for an 8-week period. When the consultation can commence will be governed by how long it takes to update the evidence, and the dates would be set by agreement between the portfolio holder for planning and housing, the deputy chief executive and the interim strategic manager for planning and infrastructure delivery.</p> <p>Option 4: To not publish the draft IPS for public consultation and wait for definitive clarity from the Government on their position regarding the standard methodology.</p>
<p>Representations Received</p>	<p>None received</p>
<p>Declarations of interest</p>	<p>None received</p>
<p>Additional advice received</p>	<p>None received</p>