

EXECUTIVE DECISION

made by a **Cabinet Member**



REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN UNDER DELEGATED AUTHORITY BY AN INDIVIDUAL CABINET MEMBER

Executive Decision Reference Number – SPT16 24/25

Decision				
1	Title of decision: Plymouth Local Development Scheme (LDS)			
2	Decision maker: Councillor Mark Coker (Cabinet Member for Strategic Planning and Transport)			
3	Report author and contact details: Rebecca Miller (City Planning Manager) Rebecca.miller@plymouth.gov.uk 01752 305241			
4	Decision to be taken: I. To approve the Plymouth Local Development Scheme, publish it on the City Council's website and submit to the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government (MHCLG).			
5	Reasons for decision: 1. Following publication of the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) on 12 December 2024, all local planning authorities are required to produce and submit an updated LDS to MHCLG by 6 March 2025. 2. Our current LDS is out of date. 3. There is a statutory requirement to prepare a LDS under section 15 of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 (as amended).			
6	Alternative options considered and rejected: The alternative options relate to the content of the LDS rather than our decision about whether or not to prepare a LDS, given that it is a statutory requirement to prepare such a document. In respect of the content, the alternative we considered would be to continue with a joint local plan but this has been rejected for the reasons set out in the appendix to the LDS.			
7	Financial implications and risk: There are no direct financial implications from this report. Clearly the preparation of a Local Plan has costs associated with it but this is the case regardless of the publication of a LDS. Any risks have been mitigated by committing to a Plymouth rather than joint local plan.			
8	Is the decision a Key Decision? (Please contact Democratic Support for further advice)	Yes	No	Per the Constitution, a key decision is one which:
			x	in the case of capital projects and contract awards, results in a new commitment to spend and/or save in excess of £3million in total

			x	in the case of revenue projects when the decision involves entering into new commitments and/or making new savings in excess of £1 million
			x	is significant in terms of its effect on communities living or working in an area comprising two or more wards in the area of the local authority.
	If yes, date of publication of the notice in the Forward Plan of Key Decisions	N/A		
9	Please specify how this decision is linked to the Council's corporate plan/Plymouth Plan and/or the policy framework and/or the revenue/capital budget:	The LDS is a key document for setting out how the spatial planning framework within the Plymouth Plan will be updated.		
10	Please specify any direct environmental implications of the decision (carbon impact)	No direct environmental impacts. The LDS is a programming document for the preparation of the local plan.		
Urgent decisions				
11	Is the decision urgent and to be implemented immediately in the interests of the Council or the public?	Yes		(If yes, please contact Democratic Support (democraticsupport@plymouth.gov.uk) for advice)
		No	x	(If no, go to section 13a)
12a	Reason for urgency: N/A			
12b	Scrutiny Chair Signature:		Date	
	Scrutiny Committee name:			
	Print Name:			
Consultation				
13a	Are any other Cabinet members' portfolios affected by the decision?	Yes		
		No	x	(If no go to section 14)

13 b	Which other Cabinet member's portfolio is affected by the decision?	N/A						
13 c	Date Cabinet member consulted	N/A						
14	Has any Cabinet member declared a conflict of interest in relation to the decision?	Yes		If yes, please discuss with the Monitoring Officer				
		No	X					
15	Which Corporate Management Team member has been consulted?	Name		Karime Hassan				
		Job title		Interim Strategic Director for Growth				
		Date consulted		13/01/2025				
Sign-off								
16	Sign off codes from the relevant departments consulted:	Democratic Support (mandatory)			JS9I 24/25			
		Finance (mandatory)			OW.24.25.010			
		Legal (mandatory)			LS/2960(37)/JP/I 6012 5			
		Human Resources (if applicable)			N/A			
		Corporate property (if applicable)			N/A			
		Procurement (if applicable)			N/A			
Appendices								
17	Ref.	Title of appendix						
	A	Briefing report						
	B	Plymouth Local Development Scheme, January 2025						
Confidential/exempt information								
18 a	Do you need to include any confidential/exempt information?	Yes		If yes, prepare a second, confidential ('Part II') briefing report and indicate why it is not for publication by virtue of Part I of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 by ticking the relevant box in 18b below. (Keep as much information as possible in the briefing report that will be in the public domain)				
		No	x					
		Exemption Paragraph Number						
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7

18	Confidential/exempt briefing report title:							
Background Papers								
19	Please list all unpublished, background papers relevant to the decision in the table below. Background papers are <u>unpublished</u> works, relied on to a material extent in preparing the report, which disclose facts or matters on which the report or an important part of the work is based. If some/all of the information is confidential, you must indicate why it is not for publication by virtue of Part I of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 by ticking the relevant box.							
Title of background paper(s)		Exemption Paragraph Number						
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Cabinet Member Signature								
20	I agree the decision and confirm that it is not contrary to the Council's policy and budget framework, Corporate Plan or Budget. In taking this decision I have given due regard to the Council's duty to promote equality of opportunity, eliminate unlawful discrimination and promote good relations between people who share protected characteristics under the Equalities Act and those who do not. For further details please see the EIA attached.							
Signature				Date of decision	28/01/2025			
Print Name	Councillor Mark Coker (Cabinet Member for Strategic Planning and Transport).							