

Sustainable development panel

Date: Wednesday 23 July 2014

Time: 9am

Venue: Committee room, City Hall

Panel members: For further information -

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1. Apologies

To receive apologies for absence.

2. Declarations of interest

(Please note that it is the responsibility of individual members to declare an interest prior to the item if they arrive late for the meeting).

3. Minutes

To agree the accuracy of the minutes of the meeting held on 25 June 2014.

4. Representations on local plan modifications

(Report of the head of planning services)

Purpose - To comment on the proposed representations on the local plan modifications, on behalf of the council.

5. Retail monitor

(Report of the head of planning services)

Purpose - To consider the June 2014 Retail Monitor and note the success of Norwich City Centre as a retail destination with low vacancy rates compared to national vacancy rates.

The Retail Monitor is the council's monitoring report advising of vacancy rates and changes of shop type across the city. Monitoring ensures that the council can measure the implementation of policies on retail monitoring and consider whether to implement them in a more flexible manner taking into consideration market demands and trends.

6. Main town centre uses and retail frontages SPD – draft for consultation

(Report of the head of planning services)

Purpose –This report is about the draft *Main town centre uses and retail frontages supplementary planning document* (SPD). Members are asked to consider and agree the document for public consultation before it is finalised and formally adopted in the autumn alongside the emerging *Development management policies plan*. The document provides additional detailed advice and guidance to support policy DM20 of the plan, dealing in particular with the approach to be taken when considering and determining planning applications for the change of use of shops in different parts of the city centre.

7. Climate change local

(Report of the executive head of strategy, people and democracy)

Purpose - This report is for the panel to consider Norwich City Council's first annual Climate Local commitments.



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