Item 11(c)

Motion to: Council

22 November 2022

Subject: Development Management Policies

Proposer: Councillor Bogelein

Seconder: Councillor Young

An amendment has been received from **Councillor Stonard**.

Councillor Stonard is amending the motion as follows:

> Replace the text in resolution 4 before the list with the following "**Consult with elected councillors and the public on the content of the revised DM policies plan. The consultation will promote discussion on areas where the policies need to better support the council's corporate objectives and be fit for the future. The consultation will enable the review of DM policies to be progressed a lot more quickly following the publications to the Greater Norwich Local Plan. The consultation plan will be discussed with the Sustainable Development Panel. The consultation will address issues such as:**"
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> Replace the text after the list in resolution 4 with the following "**These discussions will review best practice, explore where local members and the local community want to see changes to policies and speed the review of the DM policies plan**"

So that the revised motion becomes:-

The Norwich Development Management Policies Local Plan forms an important part of the local planning process which is used to guide and justify planning decisions and also to reject inappropriate planning applications. The Development Management Policies Local Plan was adopted in December 2014. In planning meetings over the last few years, there have been statements by members of the planning committee stating that there is a need to urgently update the DM policies so that they are fit for purpose in the Norwich of the 2020s.

The DM policies provide a crucial lever for the council to ensure the quality and sustainability of the built environment in Norwich. The DM policies should also provide communities with a democratic means of influencing planning for Norwich.

Council notes that:

1) currently it is expected that the next review of the DM policies will commence in 2024 following adoption of the Greater Norwich Local Plan.

2) a review of DM policies needs to take account of any changes to the National Planning Framework and policies in the adopted Greater Norwich Local Plan.

3) it is desirable for the DM policies to be reviewed as soon as national policies and the adoption of the Greater Norwich Local Plan allow so that they reflect new evidence, science and challenges.

Council **RESOLVES** to:

4) Consult with elected councillors and the public on the content of a revised DM policies plan. The consultation will promote discussion on areas where the policies need to better support the council's corporate objectives and be fit for the future. The consultation will enable the review of DM policies to be progressed a lot more quickly following the publication of modifications to the Greater Norwich Local Plan. The consultation plan will be discussed with the Sustainable Development Panel. The consultation will address issues such as::

a) Air quality
b) Climate adaptation
c) Energy efficiency
d) Biodiversity Net Gain
e) Public health protections
f) Water resilience and sustainable drainage
g) Quality of amenity
h) Active travel
i) Heritage
j) Gardens
k) Good design

These discussions will review best practice, explore where local members and the local community want to see changes to the policies and speed the review of the DM policies plan.

5) ask group leaders to write to the government echoing the concerns of the Town and Country Planning Association by seeking to preserve the primacy of the local plan.