

County Council Meeting – 19 July 2011

REPORT OF THE CABINET

The Cabinet met on 21 June 2011. Members are reminded that all reports have been circulated with the agenda for that meeting.

In accordance with the Constitution, Members can ask questions of the appropriate Cabinet Member, seek clarification or make a statement on any of these issues without giving notice.

The minutes containing the individual decisions for the 21 June meeting are attached as an Annexe to this report. Cabinet responses to Committee reports are included in or appended to the minutes. If any Member wishes to raise a question or make a statement on any of the matters in the minutes, notice must be given to Democratic Services by 12 noon on the day before the County Council meeting (Monday 18 July 2011).

For members of the public all non-confidential reports are available on the web site (www.surreycc.gov.uk) or on request from Democratic Services.

1. STATEMENTS/UPDATES FROM CABINET MEMBERS

None received.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS ON POLICY FRAMEWORK DOCUMENTS AND THE COUNCIL'S CONSTITUTION

21 June 2011

A SURREY MINERALS PLAN

1. The Cabinet considered the Surrey Minerals Plan at its meeting in 21 June 2011 and the report presented to Cabinet is included (Annex 1). The Minerals Plan (Plan) is the planning framework for the County Council in its role as mineral planning authority. It identifies areas and policy considerations for future mineral development in Surrey and provides guidance to developers who wish to put forward proposals. Once the Plan is adopted all planning applications for mineral development will normally have to be determined in accordance with it.
2. Minerals development in Surrey includes extraction of land won aggregates (sand and gravels for construction) and non-aggregates (such as silica sand for glass manufacture), facilities for the recycling of construction and demolition waste and rail aggregates depots. The Plan will comprise the *Core Strategy*, *Primary Aggregates* and *Aggregates Recycling Development Plan Documents* (DPDs). The *Minerals Site Restoration Supplementary Planning Document* (SPD) will sit alongside the Plan.
3. On 23 May 2011, following independent public examination, the Planning Inspectorate issued its reports on the Core Strategy and Primary Aggregates DPDs (**ANNEXES A and B**) concluding that both DPDs are "sound", subject to some

changes. The changes are included in 3 separate schedules appended to each DPD.

- Appendix A - changes put forward by the Council, which go to the soundness of the DPD.
 - Appendix B - minor amendments to the DPD put forward by the Council, such as factual updates.
 - Appendix C - changes proposed by the Inspector, which are necessary to make the DPD sound. These are summarised under paragraphs 8-10 of the report).
4. The Core Strategy and Primary Aggregates DPDs incorporating the changes are appended as **ANNEXES C and D**. Under current legislation the Inspector's recommendations are binding if the Council wishes to adopt a DPD. The Localism Bill does not propose any substantive change to this requirement and allows a local planning authority to make only non-material modifications in addition to those proposed by an Inspector before adopting.
 5. This report recommends the County Council to adopt the Surrey Minerals Plan Core Strategy and Primary Aggregates DPDs with the Inspector's recommended changes.
 6. The Cabinet was also asked to adopt the Minerals Site Restoration SPD, which was prepared and consulted upon alongside the Primary Aggregates DPD. Supplementary planning documents are not required to go through an examination process.
 7. The Aggregates Recycling DPD is the remaining DPD to be prepared as part of the Minerals Plan, the timescale for which follows behind that for the Core Strategy and Primary Aggregates DPDs. Following Cabinet approval and consultation on a draft version in November 2009, the Aggregates Recycling DPD has been revised. Cabinet is asked to recommend the County Council to approve its publication for representations on its soundness before submitting to the Government for public examination.
 8. Cabinet was also asked to recommend the County Council to approve the *Minerals and Waste Development Scheme*, which sets out the Council's timetable for producing documents within the overall Minerals and Waste Development Framework (MWDF). The 2008 Scheme has been revised setting out in particular the timescales for the final stages of the Aggregates Recycling DPD and for the review of the *Surrey Statement of Community Involvement* (SCI).

[Note: Annexes are available in the Members Reading Room and / or on request]

They are also on the SCC website: [www.surreycc.gov.uk/Your council/Councillors and committees/Committee papers/Name of committee/Cabinet/21 June 2011](http://www.surreycc.gov.uk/Your_council/Councillors_and_committees/Committee_papers/Name_of_committee/Cabinet/21_June_2011)

Annex A: Core Strategy DPD – Inspector's Report May 2011

Annex B: Primary Aggregates DPD – Inspector's Report May 2011

Annex C: Core Strategy DPD for adoption July 2011

Annex D: Primary Aggregates DPD for adoption July 2011

Annex E: Minerals Site Restoration SPD Part 1 and Part 2 for adoption July 2011

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Annex F: Aggregates Recycling DPD July 2011]

Annex G: Surrey Minerals and Waste Development Scheme July 2011

9. The Cabinet RECOMMENDS that the County Council agrees:

- (1) To adopt the *Core Strategy* and *Primary Aggregates* DPDs with changes recommended by the Inspector (Annexes C and D).
- (2) That the County Council be recommended to adopt the *Minerals Site Restoration* SPD (Annex E) and the revised *Minerals and Waste Development Scheme* (Annex G).
- (3) That the County Council be recommended to approve the publication of the *Aggregates Recycling DPD* (Annex F) for representations on its soundness and legal compliance and subsequent submission to Government for independent examination.

10. The Cabinet has agreed that:

- (4) Authority be delegated to the Assistant Director for Strategy, Transport and Planning, in consultation with the Cabinet Member for the Environment, to make any minor amendments to the *Aggregates Recycling* DPD prior to publication for representations following Cabinet and Council consideration.
- (5) Authority be delegated to the Cabinet Member for the Environment to approve any schedule of suggested amendments following representations on the *Aggregates Recycling DPD*, to be submitted with the DPD to the Government for independent examination.

B YOUTH JUSTICE PLAN 2011-12

1. The Cabinet at its meeting on 21 June 2011 considered the report on the Youth Justice Plan 2011 – 2012.
2. The Youth Justice Plan 2011-12 (Annex 2) forms part of the County Council's statutory planning framework and requires ratification by the County Council.
3. The Youth Justice Plan sets out the aims and objectives for the youth justice partnership as agreed by its governance body the Youth Justice Management Board. The Youth Justice Service is one of Surrey's most successful partnerships. Bringing together staff from a range of disciplines and agencies the service has consistently performed to a high level and 2010/11 has seen strong external validation of this. The Youth Justice Board describes Surrey as being "at the forefront of performance in the South East of England" and the recent HM Inspectorate of Probation inspection in March 2011 gave an overwhelmingly positive endorsement of practice.
4. Priorities for 2011/12 had been identified as:
 - Successful integration of youth justice functions into the Surrey Youth Support Services.

- Continuing high performance in respect of Youth Justice with particular attention to reducing offending, reducing involvement of looked after children and young people in the criminal justice system.
- Implementation of wide-ranging restorative justice initiatives with Surrey Police and Criminal Justice Board partners.

3. The Cabinet RECOMMENDS that the County Council approves the Youth Justice Plan 2011-12.

3. REPORTS FOR INFORMATION / DISCUSSION
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21 June 2011

A CABINET DECISIONS CALLED IN – ON STREET PARKING CHARGES IN ELMBRIDGE AND REIGATE & BANSTEAD

1. At its meeting on 24 May 2011, the Cabinet made decisions about the introduction of on-street parking charges in Elmbridge and Reigate & Banstead following consideration of the consultation response for those Boroughs. The Cabinet’s decision was subsequently called-in by the Environment and Transport Select Committee on the following grounds:

‘This decision did not have the same level of scrutiny and Member involvement as the other Boroughs and Districts covered by the On-Street Parking Task Group of the former Transportation Select Committee and therefore failed to address issues raised by the Task Group or to benefit from the extended consultation afforded to other parts of the County.’

2. The call-in was considered by the Environment & Transport Select Committee at its meeting on 15 June 2011. The Select Committee concluded that the referral of the decisions to the Local Committees would be consistent with the approach adopted in the other nine Boroughs and Districts, and would achieve the aim of maximising the involvement of Local Committees in decision-making for their area.
3. The Cabinet considered the report of the Environment and Transport Select Committee in reviewing its original decision and agreed to refer the matter back to the Local Committees, Cabinet Members noting the need for a timely resolution.

4. Therefore, the Cabinet has agreed:

That the proposals in relation to on-street parking in Elmbridge and Reigate & Banstead be referred back to their respective Local Committees for reconsideration, and that the Local Committees agree any amendments to the proposals for their Borough within the framework and criteria agreed by the Cabinet, with an expectation that these meetings take place before the end of July 2011.

B SURREY FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICE PUBLIC SAFETY PLAN 2011 – 2020

1. Surrey Fire and Rescue Service are required by statute to produce an Integrated Risk Management Plan (known as the Public Safety Plan) following public consultation. The final plan and two year action plan (2011-13) are presented for approval having been revised as a result of the review of feedback received during the consultation between December 2010 to March 2011.
2. The Surrey Fire and Rescue Authority Public Safety Plan for 2011-2020, sets out a framework for the improvements it is proposed to make to Fire and Rescue Services in Surrey during this period. This plan continues to build on the strategic ambitions as described in the previous Public Safety Plan and describes the intentions to build on the successes that have been achieved so far.
3. The Public Safety Plan is an Integrated Risk Management Plan, based on the principles outlined in the Fire and Rescue Service National Framework and guidance notes issued by central government
4. The risk analysis of the County, based upon intelligence, risk information and historical incident data, provides the foundation for the plan and identifies areas for improvement.
5. The Public Safety Plan sets a clear vision for the delivery of the Fire and Rescue Service in Surrey. It addresses a number of the issues that have been identified in previous plans relating to improving the balance of service for the county and also achieving an appropriate match of resources to risk and demand. The plan also addresses the relevant issues from the Public Value Review completed in June 2010.
6. This is an integrated plan and the proposals are therefore interdependent; the benefits will only be achieved if accepted as a whole package. Although financial savings could be achieved by the independent closure of fire stations, this would not provide the ability to manage community risk effectively.
7. **Therefore, the Cabinet has agreed:**
 - (1) That the Fire and Rescue Authority Public Safety Plan for 2011-2020 be approved for implementation.
 - (2) That the Two Year Action Plan that supports the Public Safety Plan be approved for implementation.

8 July 2011

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Chairman