

REPORT OF THE DEPUTY LEADER AND THE CABINET MEMBER FOR BUILT ENVIRONMENT

1. ADOPTION OF THE SPECIAL POLICY AREAS AND POLICIES MAP REVISION TO THE WESTMINSTER CITY PLAN

- (a) The detailed report considered by the Cabinet Member is attached to this report. The Cabinet Member agreed the Draft Special Policy Areas and Policies Map Revision to Westminster's City Plan incorporating further minor additional modifications which the Inspector is content with and recommends these for adoption by the full Council as "Westminster's City Plan, November 2016".
- (b) The Cabinet Member agreed that, subject to the adoption by the Council, "Westminster's City Plan, November 2016" be used thenceforth for development management purposes.
- (c) The Council is also recommended by the Cabinet Member to give authority to the Director, Policy, Performance and Communications to undertake all necessary procedural steps in relation to the adoption of the Special Policy Areas and Policies Map Revision to Westminster's City Plan, including the following:-
 - (i) to take the steps required by the Town and Country Planning (Local Development) (England) Regulations 2004, as amended (Regulation 26), including issuing an adoption statement and a notice giving notice of it by local advertisement,
 - (ii) to send the adopted Westminster's City Plan (with the Special Policy Areas and Policies Map Revision included) and the adoption statement to the Secretary of State as required by Regulation 35 of the Town and Country Planning (Local Development) (England) Regulations 2004, as amended.
- (d) The Cabinet Member also approved the final version of the Integrated Impact Assessment report relating to the Special Policy Areas and Policies Map Revision to Westminster's City Plan. He noted that this fulfils the statutory requirement for a Sustainability Appraisal, Strategic Environmental Assessment and for an Equalities Assessment. The detailed IIA assessment shows that the identified areas of change in the Special Policy Areas and Policies Map Revision to Westminster's City Plan have a natural and acceptable impact on the sustainability, equalities and health objectives in Westminster's City Plan.
- (e) In considering the report the Cabinet Member noted that the management of the unique commercial clusters and development and management of through the local plan in Westminster require adoption of this revision when determining planning applications as, after adoption, it carries full statutory weight, as part of the development plan for Westminster.

- (f) The report considered by the Cabinet Member (Appendix B) is attached to this report and the related appendices are circulated to all Members on disk. The draft “Westminster’s City Plan” will, subject to adoption, henceforth be used for development management purposes.

The Council is recommended to resolve:

- (i) That the Draft Special Policy Areas and Policies Map Revision to Westminster’s City Plan be adopted as “Westminster’s City Plan, November 2016” and be used henceforth for development management purposes.
- (ii) That the Director, Policy, Performance and Communications, be authorised to undertake all necessary procedural steps in relation to the adoption of the Special Policy Areas and Policies Map Revision to Westminster’s City Plan, including the following:
- (a) to take the steps required by Regulation 26 of the Town and Country Planning (Local Development) (England) Regulations 2012 , including issuing an adoption statement and making it available on the Council’s website.
- (b) to send the adoption statement to the Secretary of State as required by Regulation 26 of the Town and Country Planning (Local Development) (England) Regulations 2012 together with the adopted “Westminster’s City Plan, November 2016”, and send the adoption statement to all relevant persons.

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Note by Head of Committee and Governance – Members have had the report and related appendices circulated on memory stick. Anyone wishing to receive these in paper copy should contact Mick Steward: 7641 3134;
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Background Documents: None