

# Southend-on-Sea Borough Council

## Delegated Authority

Report by Strategic Planning

to

Deputy Chief Executive (Place) and Executive Councillor for  
Housing, Planning & Public Protection Services

24/02/17

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### Southend Central Area Action Plan: Amendments Agreement for Examination

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#### 1 Purpose of Report

- 1.1 To seek agreement of the amendments to the Southend Central Area Action Plan (SCAAP). It is considered that the amendments do not conflict with the overall strategy of the SCAAP, providing factual updates and points of clarification. The suggested amendments will be published upon submission of the SCAAP and will be presented and discussed during the examination of the SCAAP. If agreed by the Inspector, the suggested amendments will be subject to their own consultation.
- 1.3 Under the Cabinet resolution (see **Appendix 1** for associated Cabinet Report dated 20/09/16) delegated authority was granted to the then Director for Place (now Deputy Chief Executive (Place)), in consultation with the Executive Councillor for Housing, Planning & Public Protection Services, to approve and make amendments to the SCAAP that may result from *inter alia* analysis of the representations made following public consultation, recommendations of the Sustainability Appraisal and any additional evidence considered, taking all necessary steps to ensure compliance with the relevant statutory processes and procedures necessary for preparation and participation of the Council at the Examination in Public.

#### 2. Recommendations

**To agree the Schedule of Suggested Amendments to the Southend Central Area Action Plan, as set out in Appendix 2, for submission alongside the Southend Central Area Action Plan Revised Proposed Submission Document, to the Secretary of State.**

**If in agreement please sign (overleaf) and return to Mark Sheppard on behalf of Peter Geraghty.**

**Signatures to agree the suggested amendments (Appendix 2) for consultation**

**Deputy Chief Executive (Place)  
Andrew Lewis**



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**Executive Councillor for Housing, Planning & Public Protection Services  
Councillor M. Flewitt**



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### **3. Background**

- 3.1 In accordance with the Council's Local Development Scheme timetable and the 'Strategic Objectives' and policies within the adopted Southend Core Strategy, the Council has prepared an Area Action Plan for the Central Area of the town and associated policies map. In October 2016, the Council approved the Revised Proposed Submission version of the Plan for public consultation and subsequent submission to the Secretary of State for Examination.
- 3.2 The SCAAP Revised Proposed Submission document was published for a final stage of public consultation between 3<sup>rd</sup> November and 16<sup>th</sup> December 2016. During the consultation period, a number of representations were received to the Plan. These representations have been considered by Council Officers and the Schedule of Suggested Amendments, Appendix 2, sets out elements of the Plan it is considered could be modified by providing factual updates or points of clarification to address relevant matters raised in representations received. It is considered that the suggested amendments do not conflict with the overall strategy of the Plan.
- 3.3 The suggested amendments will be published upon submission of the SCAAP and will be presented and discussed during its examination, which will be an open forum. If agreed by the Inspector, the suggested amendments will be subject to their own consultation.

#### **Suggested Amendments**

- 3.5 A schedule of suggested amendments proposed to the Southend Central Area Action Plan Revised Proposed Submission document, along with their justification, is set out in **Appendix 2** of this report.
- 3.6 It is considered that the suggested amendments do not conflict with the overall strategy of the Plan. In summary, the suggested amendments seek to address the issues raised during the last stage of public consultation and include amendments to policies and supporting text for clarification purposes. It should be understood that none of the changes to the policies or supporting text materially change the intention or approach agreed by the full Council in October 2016.

### **4. Appendices**

**Appendix 1 – Report to Cabinet (20/09/16) Southend Central Area Action Plan – Proposed Submission Document**

**Appendix 2 - Schedule of Suggested Amendments to the Southend Central Area Action Plan**