

**PLANNING AND INFRASTRUCTURE PORTFOLIO HOLDER DECISION -
19 FEBRUARY 2020**

**REGULATION 18 CONSULTATION ON THE FAREHAM DRAFT
LOCAL PLAN 2036 SUPPLEMENT**

1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to agree a Council response to the Regulation 18 consultation on the Fareham Draft Local Plan 2036 Supplement.

2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1 Fareham published a draft Local Plan for 'Regulation 18' consultation in 2017, to which the Council briefly responded in relation to housing supply and potential unmet need.

3. THE FAREHAM LOCAL PLAN SUPPLEMENT 2020

- 3.1 The Fareham Local Plan supplement updates the previous draft housing requirement using the NPPF standard method plus a 10-15% buffer. Additional housing site allocations are identified.
- 3.2 The new consultation references cooperative work by PfSH on strategic growth and acknowledges that the housing requirement may need to increase if there is unmet need to be addressed from other areas. It identifies two potential strategic growth areas in addition to sites identified for Fareham's own housing requirement. This is a positive step to be welcomed.
- 3.3 The consultation provides an opportunity to raise the issue of mitigating recreational impacts on the New Forest international nature conservations sites, based on the evidence emerging from the New Forest Visitor Surveys Report which will be published in March 2020. It provides evidence on visitor catchments extending to and beyond Fareham.

4. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

- 4.1 To agree the consultation response in the attached draft letter (appendix 1).

**5. FINANCIAL, CRIME & DISORDER, ENVIRONMENTAL AND EQUALITY &
DIVERSITY IMPLICATIONS**

- 5.1 None

6. PORTFOLIO HOLDER ENDORSEMENT

I have agreed to the recommendation of this report.

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Background Papers:

Published documents