

FALKIRK COUNCIL

Subject: REFERRAL FROM ECONOMIC STRATEGY AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE ON 20 SEPTEMBER 2011
Meeting: FALKIRK COUNCIL
Date: 5 OCTOBER 2011
Author: DIRECTOR OF DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 The attached Report was submitted to the Economic Strategy and Development Committee at its meeting on 20 September 2011. The purpose of this Report is to refer recommendations made by the Economic Strategy and Development Committee with regard to the Report to Council, for approval.

2. FALKIRK LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN – MAIN ISSUES REPORT

- 2.1 Committee considered a Report by the Director of Development Services (a) advising that the Council was preparing a Local Development Plan (LDP) for its area which will replace the existing Falkirk Council Structure Plan and Local Plan; (b) presenting the Local Development Plan, Main Issues Report; and (c) setting out the proposed consultation process, leading to a targeted adoption date of 2014.
- 2.2 Committee was invited to agree to recommend to Council approval of the Falkirk Local Development Plan Main Issues Report for consultation purposes.
- 2.3 Councillor Mahoney, seconded by Councillor Lemetti, moved:-

“that Committee agrees to recommend to the Council that the draft Falkirk Local Development Plan – Main Issues Report is approved for consultation purposes subject to the Main Issues Report being amended to include and reflect the following site specific changes and any consequential modifications that may thereby be required to be made:-

(a) **Lochlands, Larbert**

To include a site at Lochlands, Larbert (Ref:FAL/B/05 as shown on the map in Appendix A(i)) as a preferred site for economic development in the Main Issues Report, forming an extension to Lochlands Industrial Estate.

Detailed Changes to Main Issues Report

Main Issue 7: Employment Land

Preferred Option (paragraph 4.13 in the Main Issues Report)

- Amend paragraph to include an extension to Lochlands Industrial Estate within the preferred option.

Main Issues Report Appendix 1

Falkirk Site Schedule and Map

- Change the status of site FAL/B/05 (Lochlands Industrial Estate 1) from ‘non-preferred site’ to ‘preferred site’ within the economic development section.

Changes to Supporting Information

SEA Environmental Report

Make consequential changes to Environmental Report to reflect the addition of site FAL/B/05 as a preferred site.

Technical Reports

Make consequential changes to Site Assessment to reflect the addition of site FAL/B/05 as a preferred site.

(b) **Main Street, Polmont**

To remove a site at Main Street, Polmont (Ref:POL/A/02 as shown on the map in Appendix A(ii)) as a committed site to be carried forward for housing, and to identify it instead for de-allocation in the Main Issues Report.

Detailed Changes to Main Issues Report

Main Issues Report Appendix 1

Polmont Area Site Schedule and Map

- Change the status of site POL/A/02 Main Street, Polmont from ‘committed site carried forward’ to ‘committed site proposed for de-allocation’.

Consequential Changes

Amend housing figures in Figure 3.4 (paragraph 3.22) and Figure 6.1 (paragraph 6.5) to reflect the removal of site POL/A/02.

Changes to Supporting Information

SEA Environmental Report

Make consequential changes to Environmental Report to reflect the removal of site POL/A/02.

(c) **Hillcrest, Shieldhill**

To include a site at Hillcrest, Shieldhill (Ref:SHIE/B/02 as shown on the map in Appendix A(iii)) as a preferred site for housing in the Main Issues Report, forming a modest settlement expansion to the east of the village of Shieldhill.

Detailed Changes to Main Issues Report

Main Issue 2: Sustainable Housing Locations

Rural South – Preferred Option (paragraph 3.67 in the Main Issues Report)

- Amend paragraph to include modest settlement expansion to the east of Shieldhill as part of the preferred option.

Rural South – Alternatives (paragraph 3.70 in the Main Issues Report)

- Amend second alternative to exclude modest settlement expansion to the east of Shieldhill.

Main Issues Report Appendix 1

Rural South Site Schedule and Map

- Change the status of site SHIE/B/02 Hillcrest Farm, Shieldhill from ‘non-preferred site’ to ‘preferred site’, with a housing capacity of 30 units.

Consequential Changes

Amend housing figures in Figure 3.4 (paragraph 3.22) and Figure 6.1 (paragraph 6.5) to reflect the addition of site SHIE/B/02.

Changes to Supporting Information

SEA Environmental Report

Make consequential changes to Environmental Report to reflect the addition of site SHIE/B/02 as a preferred site.

Technical Reports

Make consequential changes to Site Assessment to reflect the addition of site SHIE/B/02 as a preferred site.”

- 2.4 By way of an Amendment, Councillor Oliver, seconded by Councillor Jackson, moved the terms of the Motion subject to the deletion of the adjustment set out as (c) Hillcrest, Shieldhill.

On a division 7 members voted for the Motion and 5 members voted for the Amendment.

Accordingly **AGREED** the terms of the Motion.

- 2.5 Council is therefore invited to approve the Main Issues Report for consultation purposes subject to it being amended to include and reflect the site specific changes set out as paras 2.3 (a – c) above and any consequential modifications that may thereby be required to be made.

3. RECOMMENDATION

- 3.1 Council is invited to approve the Falkirk Local Development Plan – Main Issues Report for consultation subject to the Report being amended as set out in para 2.3 (a-c) of this Report.

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Director of Development Services

Date: 27th September, 2011

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LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS

Nil.