

BOROUGH PLAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE

NOTES OF MEETING – 12th September 2019

Attendees:

Cllrs: Aidan Mundy (Chair); Carl Quilliam; Linda Kirby; Geraldine Stanford; Dennis Pearce; Najeeb Latif.

Merton Council Officers: Tara Butler; Valerie Mowah; Katharine Thomas.

Meeting notes and action points

Agenda item 1: Apologies for absence - There were no apologies for absence.

Agenda item 2: Notes of previous meeting – no declarations of pecuniary interest.

Agenda item 3: Notes of previous meeting - notes of the previous meeting agreed as accurate;

Agenda item 4: Consultation on Merton’s Statement of Community Involvement – Officers advised BPAC that the report will be a Cabinet decision; the word “council” was in error

Officers advised that the planning application representations would be updated to reflect the General Data Protection Regulations.

Comments from councillors:

– current redacting software is 80% successful needs to be 100%

- need to get a view on this from an IT expertise perspective
- advised to include additional sentence regarding accessibility of websites – needs to meet double A accessibility requirements

RESOLVED:

- deleted word “council” from Recommendation A
- report amended to include reference to circulating the final consultation documents to the chair of BPAC
- that the Borough Plan Advisory Committee advise Cabinet to consult on Merton’s Statement of Community Involvement

Agenda Item 5: Strategic Housing Market Assessment Discussion and questions raised by councillors having noted the briefing paper. Discussions included:

- What happens with viability reports not achieving affordable housing requirements
- Affordability criteria – people can’t afford the 3.5 multiplier for a mortgage or deposit
- Has the health and wellbeing board had sight of this
- Achieving homes for life
- Affordability of +3-bed homes

Agenda Item 6: South London Waste Plan -.

RESOLVED: that the Borough Plan Advisory Committee advise Cabinet to consult on the draft South London Waste Plan.

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