COUNCIL 17TH DECEMBER 2014

OFFICER BRIEFING NOTE

Notice of Motion – 5 Year Housing Land Supply Statement

Proposer: Cllr Hamilton-Cox Seconder: Cllr Brookes, Cllr Barry

This council resolves:

'To ask officers to produce a public briefing note for councillors on the 5-year housing land supply statement focussed on how the calculation of the under-supply of 1695 homes is justified when set against the available data on growth of population, household formation and employment between 2001 and 2011. Full council asks that the briefing note should be based on attributable data and should compare the data with the projections and forecasts for population, household formation and employment which presumably informed the target of 400 homes per year against which housing delivery is deemed to have fallen short to 2011.

Full council further resolves that the briefing note be circulated to councillors not later than Wednesday 14th January 2015.

The proposers of the motion note the census data which shows that the district's population increased by 4461 between 2001 and 2011. The city council's Housing Land Monitoring Reports show that the number of homes completed in the district between 2001-02 and 2010-11 was 3223. This is a ratio of 1.38 people per new household. The average household size at the 2011 census was 2.27 people.'

Officers can prepare such a note though Members will need to recognise that a public briefing note that critiques different lines of policy positions (national and local) may be tactically useful to Planning Consultants representing private sector interests in potential appeals on specific applications.

Monitoring Officer Comments

The Monitoring Officer has been consulted and has no further comments.

Section 151 Officer Comments

The Section 151 Officer has been consulted and has no further comments at this stage.