

**ADDENDUM TO COUNCIL
27 January 2016**

7.3 To adopt recommendations from the following:

7.3.4 Cabinet – 13 January 2016

7.3.4.1 Test Valley Revised Local Plan

The Revised Local Plan (RLP) is a statutory policy document that sets out the spatial strategy and policies for the Borough. The process for preparation of the Local Plan is set out in legislation.

In July 2014 the Council submitted the RLP and accompanying documents to the Secretary of State. Submission triggered the start of the formal examination of the RLP by an independent Planning Inspector, which included public hearings in December 2014 and January 2015.

The Inspector undertaking the examination into the Revised Local Plan has found the document sound subject to the inclusion of modifications which the Council has previously agreed.

Following adoption of the Revised Local Plan, the saved policies of the Borough Local Plan (2006) would be withdrawn.

Having considered the options and for the reasons set out in the report, Cabinet agreed to the following:

Recommended:

- 1. To note the outcome of the Test Valley Revised Local Plan Inspector’s report as shown in annex 1 to the report.**
- 2. That the Council adopts the Test Valley Revised Local Plan, incorporating main modifications as shown in annex 2 to the report.**
- 3. That the saved policies of the Test Valley Borough Local Plan (2006) be withdrawn.**
- 4. That the Corporate Director be authorised to undertake any minor update and drafting changes to improve the presentation of the Test Valley Revised Local Plan as proposed to be modified.**
- 5. That Members acknowledge and thank the Planning Policy Team for their work in developing the Revised Local Plan and the professional manner in which they conducted themselves during the Planning Inspector’s examination.**

7.3.4.2 **CIL Examination – Adoption of the Community Infrastructure Levy**

On the 21 December 2015, the Council received the CIL Inspector’s final report into the CIL Draft Charging Schedule (DCS).

In accordance with section 212 of the Planning Act (2008), the Inspector concluded that the Test Valley CIL DCS provides an appropriate basis for the collection of the levy in the charging area and that the Council has sufficient evidence to support the schedule.

Subject to modifications, agreed by the Council during the examination process, the CIL Inspector recommends that the Charging Schedule is approved.

Adoption of the CIL DCS will allow the Council to commence charging CIL in a timely manner to maximise opportunities for CIL receipts to be collected and allocated for community infrastructure projects.

Having considered the options and for the reasons set out in the report, Cabinet agreed to the following:

Recommended:

1. **That the modifications as set out in the CIL Inspector’s report are approved and incorporated into the Test Valley Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) Draft Charging Schedule.**
2. **That the CIL Charging Schedule is adopted.**
3. **That the Head of Planning and Building in consultation with the Planning and Building Portfolio Holder is authorised to implement the CIL Charging Schedule on a date as soon as is practicable after 1 May 2016.**
4. **That the Corporate Director be authorised to make changes of a minor nature to improve the presentation in consultation with the Portfolio Holder.**

7.3.4.3 **Updated Scheme of Delegations to the Head of Housing and Environmental Health**

The implementation of new environmental health legislation and statutory guidance together with a need for specific clarification of statutory powers requires that the delegations to the Head of Housing and Environmental Health be updated and extended.

The revised Code places a requirement on the Council to appoint a suitably competent and experienced Lead Food Officer to take responsibility for operational management of food law matters.

The creation of the job share posts for Senior Private Sector Housing Officers means that the delegations to the Head of Housing and Environmental Health need to be revised to provide these posts with the necessary authorisations to carry out their role.

Updating the Scheme of Delegations ensures the regulatory capacity of the Council and allows for its enforcement policies to be implemented correctly.

Having considered the options and for the reasons set out in the report, Cabinet agreed to the following:

Recommended:

- 1. That the updated Scheme of Delegations to the Head of Housing and Environmental Health to reflect changes in the environmental health legislative requirements be approved.**
- 2. That the updated Scheme of Delegations to the Head of Housing and Environmental Health reflecting those inspectors appointed in accordance with the Scheme are duly authorised to bring proceedings [or lay information] in accordance with Section 38 Health and Safety at Work etc. Act 1974 be approved.**
- 3. That the updated Scheme of Delegations to the Head of Housing and Environmental Health which authorises the new job share posts within the Service be approved.**