

REPORT OF DIRECTOR OF PLANNING AND PARK DIRECTION

SUBJECT: NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT FRAMEWORK

Purpose of the Report

The purpose of the report is to bring the consultation on the Draft National Development Framework to the attention of Members. The Authority will be responding to the consultation on a South West Wales regional basis.

Background

On 7th August the Welsh Government began the consultation process on the National Development Framework 2020-2040. The consultation period will run from 7th August -1st November 2019. A copy of the consultation documents can be found via the following link:-

<https://gov.wales/draft-national-development-framework>

National Development Framework

The National Development Framework is the highest tier of development plan in Wales and is focused on land use planning issues and challenges at a national scale. The purpose of the National Development Framework is to set out where Welsh Government considers Wales should grow and the types of development needed over the next twenty years to help Wales be a sustainable and prosperous society.

The National Development Framework will:

- set out where nationally important growth and infrastructure is needed and how the planning system - nationally, regionally and locally - can deliver it
- provide direction for Strategic and Local Development Plans and support the determination of Developments of National Significance
- sit alongside Planning Policy Wales, which sets out the Welsh Government's planning policies and will continue to provide the context for land use planning
- support national economic, transport, environmental, housing, energy and cultural strategies and ensure they can be delivered through the planning system

Officers will be responding to the consultation as part of the South West Wales Regional group by 1st November 2019. A series of drop in session have been

arranged by Welsh Government during the consultation period, which officers will utilise if necessary.

Financial considerations

Existing staff resources are being used to prepare a respond to the consultation.

Equality considerations

Welsh Government is subject to The Equality Act 2010

Welsh Language considerations

Welsh Government subject to the Welsh Language (Wales) Measure 2011 and the Welsh Language Standards Regulations 2015.

Recommendation:

Members are requested to provide any comments or views on the draft consultation document to the Director Planning & Park Direction by 23rd September 2019.

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