

Item 4 Special Full Council 26th July 2013

Following the response from Lawrence Stringer about the PMAS (full copy attached). A response can now been made to the Wealden consultation on the Local Plan regarding CIL and the IDP.

I have looked at the document, and although there are some issues with the contents which I have queried with the Wealden Policy officers, there is one major concern.

According to the document (IDP – Infrastructure Delivery Plan), the evidence has been based on the PMAS (Polegate Movement and Access Strategy) and that document is not publicly available to view or assess.

Therefore **I would recommend that Council submit a comment that it feels the document is unsound, for the reason that it refers to evidence which is not available and is in draft format only.**

Due to the late response and the requirement for legal deadlines, I would also ask that Council consider delegating the responses to the clerk for future consultations. If time allows a meeting will be called to discuss all of the issues, if not I will consult with each councillor and submit a corporate response on behalf of Polegate Town Council.

I recommend delegated authority to the clerk to respond to consultations regarding the Wealden Local Plan in the future.

I shall of course consult with as many councillors as I can, and if there is an opportunity to have the matter discussed at a full council meeting prior to the deadline I will endeavour to arrange a meeting.

Councillors are reminded that they are entitled to submit a personal response to the consultations as members of the public, and if their views differ greatly from that of the Town Council I would recommend that councillors submit their own responses.

Polegate Town Clerk

From: Lawrence Stringer [Lawrence.Stringer@east.sussex.gov.uk]
Sent: 15 July 2013 13:26
To: ~Z Ext Polegate Town Council
Subject: PMAS document

Dear Jo

Thank you for your email.

The PMAS isn't yet finalised. Once it has been completed, we will need to discuss the outcomes of both the Polegate/Willingdon/Stone Cross study and a separate study on the Hailsham-Polegate-Eastbourne Sustainable Transport Corridor with the Highways Agency, as a number of the interventions are on their network, as well as the local Parish Councils. Once finalised and in accordance with usual practice we will of course be intending to publish and make this study available on both the County and District Council websites.

In the meantime, the necessary information to satisfy yourselves on the soundness of the SSLP is within SWETS. The information in SWETS has already been tested as part the evidence base for Wealden's Core Strategy Local Plan at the EiP held in January 2012. SWETS was considered quite extensively by the Inspector at the Infrastructure and the Hailsham/Hellingly and Polegate, Willingdon & Stone Cross sessions at the Examination and in his report, he was satisfied that in strategic terms there was an adequate evidence base to support the infrastructure priorities and there is an appropriate level of detail available at that stage on deliverability.

I have an internal discussion on PMAS this week and will update at the end of the week.

Best regards,

Lawrence

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Sent: 09 July 2013 10:22
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Subject: PMAS document
Importance: High

Dear Lawrence,

We have been asked to give comments on the Local Plan CIL and IDP and the IDP refers to a documents called the Polegate Movement Access Strategy (PMAS). On questioning WDC Planning Policy they have told me that it is an

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ESCC document in draft form about to be published. Please could you let me have a copy of the draft and if possible, the date that it will be officially published and available on the website for public use?

Kind regards

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