



Council

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**Matter for
Information and
Decision**

Title:

**Leicester and Leicestershire Authorities Joint Statement of
Co-operation Relating to Objectively Assessed Need for Housing**

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1. Introduction

- 1.1. Harborough District Council and Oadby and Wigston Borough Council are due to submit Local Plans for public examination imminently. Melton Borough Council has recently submitted its Local Plan for public examination. These Councils require a Leicester and Leicestershire Authorities Joint Statement of Co-operation relating to Objectively Assessed Need for Housing to demonstrate that all of the planning authorities are working together to meet the requirements of the duty to co-operate.
- 1.2. A similar version of this report, together with the recommendation contained at paragraph 2 below, is being considered by each of the partner authorities.

2. Recommendation(s)

That Members' give their approval for the Borough Council to sign the Leicester and Leicestershire Authorities Joint Statement of Co-operation relating to Objectively Assessed Need for Housing (as set out at in the Appendix) in support of Local Plans that are being prepared in Leicester and Leicestershire.

3. Information

- 3.1. The purpose of this Joint Statement of Co-operation ("the Joint Statement") is to support those authorities in Leicester and Leicestershire which are seeking to produce a Local Plan in advance of the Strategic Growth Plan (SGP) and to set out how the local authorities will collaborate further to ensure that the necessary joint evidence is in place to support subsequent Local Plans. The Joint Statement is intended to provide evidence of effective co-operation on planning for issues with cross-boundary impacts.
- 3.2. The Joint Statement is based on the outcomes of the Housing and Economic Development Needs Assessment (HEDNA) which was jointly-commissioned by the nine local authorities together with the Leicester & Leicestershire Enterprise Partnership. The HEDNA sets out the Objectively Assessed Need (OAN) for housing and employment for the Housing Market Area (HMA) and Functional Economic Market Area (FEMA) for the periods 2011-2031 and 2011-2036.
- 3.3. The Joint Statement takes into account the fact that, based upon the HEDNA, Leicester City Council has declared that it cannot meet its own OAN and that it therefore has unmet needs over the period to 2036.
- 3.4. The Joint Statement also takes into account the fact that, based upon the HEDNA, Oadby and Wigston Borough Council has declared that it cannot meet its own OAN and that it therefore has unmet needs the period 2031-2036.

Background Documents:

Appendix - Leicester and Leicestershire Authorities Joint Statement of
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Implications | Leicester and Leicestershire Authorities Joint Statement of Co-operation
Relating to Objectively Assessed Need for Housing

Finance	There are no implications.
Chris Raymakers (Head of Finance, Revenues and Benefits)	
Legal	The report is satisfactory.
Dave Gill (Head of Law and Governance / Monitoring Officer)	
Corporate Risk(s) (CR)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Key Supplier/Partnership Failure (CR2) The Joint Statement has been prepared jointly by the Leicester and Leicestershire planning authorities which all required an involvement in the process. Close working at both an Officer and Member level through established groups allows for this involvement. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Political Dynamics (CR3) A similar version of this report, together with the recommendation, is being considered by each of the other Leicester and Leicestershire planning authorities. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Economy/Regeneration (CR9) The Joint Statement will assist in the delivery of infrastructure and economic growth within the Borough.
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Corporate Priorities (CP)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Balanced Economic Development (CP3) The Local Plan, which the Joint Statement supports, will assist in the delivery of infrastructure and economic growth within the Borough.
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Vision & Values (V)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Teamwork (V3) The Joint Statement involves teamwork across Leicester and Leicestershire partner authorities.
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Equalities & Equality Assessment(s) (EA)	There are no implications.
Adrian Thorpe (Head of Planning Development and Regeneration)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not Applicable (EA)