

# DECISION NOTICE

Notice is given that the following decision has been taken under the Provisions set out in the Council's Constitution

**Decision maker:** Portfolio Holder for Planning

**Decision in the matter of:** CE 20/21-33 Houses in Multiple Occupation Supplementary Planning Document

**Decision:** That having considered the feedback received to the Houses in Multiple Occupation Supplementary Planning Document public consultation exercise held between the 26th October and the 23rd December 2020 and how it has been addressed in the Report of Consultation and the views of the Strategic Planning and how those views have been incorporated into the Final Draft Houses in Multiple Occupation Supplementary Planning Document, the Portfolio Holder for Planning

- 1 agrees to the publication of the Final Draft Houses in Multiple Occupation Supplementary Planning Document and the Report of Consultation for public representations for a period of six weeks.
- 2 Agrees to the publication of the Strategic Environmental Assessment and Habitats Regulations Screening Report, and
- 3 Agrees to the publication of the associated Equalities Impact Assessment.

**Background:** At its meeting on the 3 December 2019, Cabinet considered a report which sought authorisation to make 3 non-immediate Article 4 Directions to remove permitted development rights for the change of use of dwellings to small MOs (accommodating 3-6 unrelated individuals) in parts of Crewe. In the report to Cabinet, it was stated that additional planning policy guidance in the form of a draft Supplementary Planning Document would be prepared to align with the Article 4 Direction(s) coming into force.

Public consultation on the Draft Houses in Multiple Occupation Supplementary Planning Document initially took place for six weeks between the 26th October 2020 and 7 December 2020. The document was published on the Council's website and hard copies placed in public libraries in Cheshire East. Public libraries were closed temporarily between the 5 November 2020 and 2 December

2020 due to lockdown restrictions. The consultation period was extended until the 23rd December 2020 to provide additional time for any comments to be made on the documents. Paper copies were made available on request in the event that any interested party had difficulties accessing documents.

In total, 10 responses were received from 9 parties and as a result the draft Houses in Multiple Occupation Supplementary Planning Document was amended.

The view of the Strategic Planning Board, at its meeting on 24 March 2021, were sought on the final Draft Houses in Multiple Occupation Supplementary Planning Document and their comments have been included in the final Draft version of the document.

**Background Documents:**

Agenda and minutes of Cabinet 3 December 2019  
Agenda and minute of Strategic Planning Board 24 March 2021  
Report to Portfolio Holder for Planning 'Final Draft Houses in Multiple Occupation Supplementary Planning Document'

**Approved:**

Councillor Toni Fox  
Portfolio Holder for Planning

**Date:**

9 April 2021

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