CHESHIRE EAST COUNCIL

REPORT TO: Environment and Prosperity Scrutiny Committee

Date of Meeting: 25 November 2009

Report of: John Knight, Head Of Planning and Policy

Subject/Title: Local Development Framework: Annual Monitoring

Report

1.0 Report Summary

1.1 The Council is required to submit an Annual Monitoring Report to the Secretary of State in respect of the implementation of Saved Local Plans and any Local Development Documents during 2008/9.

2.0 Recommendations

2.1 That the Portfolio Holder for Performance and Capacity be recommended to approve the submission of the Annual Monitoring Report to the Government Office for the North West.

3.0 Reasons for Recommendations

3.1 To ensure the Annual Monitoring Report is submitted by the 31st December 2009 deadline.

4.0 Wards Affected

- 4.1 All
- 5.0 Local Ward Members

5.1

6.0 Policy Implications including

6.1 The Annual Monitoring Report includes data on Climate Change

7.0 Financial Implications for Transition Costs

- 7.1 None
- 8.0 Financial Implications 2009/10 and beyond
- 8.1 None

9.0 Legal Implications

9.1 None

10.0 Risk Management

10.1 Failure to submit the Annual Monitoring Report by the 31st December deadline could result in a reduction in Housing and Planning Delivery Grant.

11.0 Background and Options

- 11.1 All Planning authorities are required to make an Annual Report to the Secretary of State containing information on the implementation of the Local Development Scheme and the extent to which the policies in Local Development Documents and saved Local Plans are being achieved.
- 11.2 This years' Annual Monitoring Report (AMR) covers the period 1st April 2008 to 31st March 2009 and consequently addresses performance for the four former local authorities and their Local Plans.
- 11.3 A draft AMR is being prepared. A hard copy of the document as it stands has been sent to Members under separate cover and at your meeting a presentation will be made in respect of the key findings; a copy of the presentation slides is attached to this report. Members will note that the document is still very much a draft and contains some gaps in information. These gaps will be filled prior to final consideration by the Portfolio Holder.

12.0 Overview of Year One and Term One Issues

12.1 None

13.0 Access to Information

The background papers relating to this report can be inspected by contacting the report writer:

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