

Appendix C

Comments made by Members on the Strategic Planning Board at its meeting held on Wednesday, 25th January, 2017 regarding the draft SADPD Issues Paper

1. Close engagement with Town and Parish Councils was very important particularly Local Service Centres. There was a concern raised that previously Members had not been fully engaged in the Local Plan process.
2. Viability of proposed development sites was a key issue, in particular there was no infrastructure for some of the sites allocated.
3. There was a lack of clarity around settlement boundaries. It was felt clarification was needed in respect of what the settlement boundaries are.
4. How the SADPD would deal with open spaces was questioned.
5. Was a further 'call for sites' necessary. Members raised concerns that a further 'call for sites' would provide people with a 'second bite of the cherry'.
6. Opportunities to improve rail connections should be considered further through a Rail Strategy.
7. With the arrival of HS2, an urban transport system should be considered for Crewe.
8. There should be a fair distribution of development requirements across the Local Service Centres (LSCs). This should take account of the fact that some have already had a lot of housing development built or approved. It was also suggested that engagement was very important and that an individual Officer should be allocated to each of the 13 centres on a one to one basis.
9. The consideration of any further Green Belt boundary changes in the SADPD should take account of what is proposed in terms of Green Belt boundary changes within the emerging Greater Manchester Spatial Framework (GMSF) so that separation between built up areas in Cheshire East and Greater Manchester is retained.
10. Given that the Local Plan Strategy states that Goostrey's development needs will be largely provided for in Holmes Chapel, and the recent appeal decision dismissing Gladman's housing proposals on land off Main Road in the village, Goostrey's identification as a Local Service Centre was questioned.