

DECISION NOTICE

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

Decision maker: Cabinet Member for Housing and Planning

Date: 26 July 2016

Decision in the matter of: Macclesfield Local Development Orders

Decision: That approval be given for officers to begin the process of formal public consultation on the two Macclesfield Local Development Areas and that the responses received be incorporated into the finalising of the Orders.

Background: In September 2014 Cabinet considered a report on the Councils approach to promoting development on brownfield sites across Cheshire East. Subsequently the Council explored a pilot on Local Development Areas (LDOs) in Macclesfield and in April 2015 secured £100,000 funding from the DCLG to help it facilitate the creation of two LDO areas in Macclesfield Town Centre.

LDOs are made by local planning authorities (LPA) and give a grant of planning permission to specific types of development within a defined area. They streamline the planning process by removing the need for developers to make a planning application to a LPA. They create certainty and save time and money for those involved in the planning process. The primary function of an LDO is to accelerate delivery of much needed development.

The Council has carried out the necessary pre-consultation with stakeholders in order to establish support for the LDOs. Some landowners are not interested in their property forming part of one of the LDO areas whilst others have sought to ensure that theirs is included. It is the overriding intention of the Council that these LDOs are successful in bringing forward brownfield land for residential development and so this buy-in from landowners is of the up most importance.

Now that this pre-consultation has been carried out and the decisions have been made regarding which properties shall lie within the red line boundaries the Council is now seeking permission to begin the

process of full public consultation.

Background Documents: The background papers to this report van be inspected by contacting the report writer.

Approved:

Signed
Councillor Ainsley Arnold (Cabinet Member for Housing and Planning)

Date: 26 July 2016

Advising Officer:

Signed
Sophie Williams (Development Officer)