

COLCHESTER BOROUGH COUNCIL

RECORD OF DECISIONS TAKEN UNDER DELEGATED POWERS

Explanatory Note

The Leader of the Council has established Delegation Schemes by which certain decisions may be made by the relevant cabinet member or specific officers.

Cabinet member decisions are subject to review under the Call-in Procedure.

From the date the notice of the decision made is published there are five working days during which any five Councillors may sign a request for the decision to be reviewed (called in) and deliver it to the Proper Officer.

If, at the end of the period, no request has been made, the decision may be implemented. If a valid call- in request has been made, the matter will be referred to the Scrutiny Panel

Part A – To be completed by the appropriate Cabinet Member/Officer

Title of Report: Development Brief for the ABRO Site

Delegated Power

To procure the specified service in the provision, implementation, maintenance and management of contributions to the preparation of the Local Plan and associated documents.

Decision Taken

To consult the public on the draft ABRO Development Brief with the intention to adopt the brief as planning guidance, with the option to change the status of the brief to supplementary planning document following the public consultation exercise

Key Decision

No

Forward Plan

N/a.

Reasons for the Decision

It is intended to adopt the ABRO Development Brief as a planning guidance document. The process of preparing a planning brief involves seeking the views of a number of departments, agencies and individuals, and balancing their interests in making recommendations for the development of a site within the overall policy framework set by local and national planning policies. The weight afforded to a planning guidance document as a material consideration in determining any future planning application will increase if it has been prepared in consultation with the public and has been the subject of a Council resolution. Up grading the brief to a supplementary planning document will further increase the weight afforded to the development brief.

Alternative Options

The alternative option is not to consult the public on the draft development brief and not to progress the document. Should this option be pursued, then there will be no site-specific guidance for the redevelopment of the ABRO Site and any future planning application will be determined in accordance with existing adopted local planning policies and national planning policy guidance

Conflict of Interest

None reported

Dispensation by Head of Paid Service

N/a

Dispensation by Monitoring Officer

N/a.

Approved by Portfolio Holder for Culture & Performance

Signature Councillor Julie Young

Date 5 January 2021

(NB For Key Decisions the report must be made available to the public for five clear days prior to the period for call-in commencing)

Part B – To be completed by the Proper Officer (Democratic Services)

Portfolio Holder Decision Reference Number

CUL-004-20

Implementation Date

This decision can be implemented if no request for the decision to be reviewed (call-in) has been made **after 5pm on Thursday 14 January 2021**

Call-in Procedure

The Decision Notice for this decision was published on the internet on **Thursday 7 January 2021**

A request for reference to the Scrutiny Panel must be made by **5pm on Thursday 14 January 2021**

Signature of Proper Officer
K Barnard