

CABINET - 1ST OCTOBER 2014

SUBJECT: LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN – ANNUAL MONITORING REPORT 2014

REPORT BY: ACTING DIRECTOR OF CORPORATE SERVICES AND SECTION 151

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- 1.1 The attached report, which outlined the contents of the Caerphilly County Borough Local Development Plan 2014 Annual Monitoring Report (AMR) was considered by the Regeneration and Environment Scrutiny Committee on 16th September 2014. It seeks the views of Cabinet before it is referred to Council for determination.
- 1.2 The conclusions of the 2014 Annual Monitoring Report were outlined to Members, with the 2014 AMR recommendations as follows:-
 - R1 The 2014 Annual Monitoring Plan has indicated that substantial progress has been made in implementing the Caerphilly County Borough Local Development Plan up to 2021 and that the Development Strategy is being effective.
 - R2 That limited greenfield release be considered on sites that are acceptable in planning terms in order to address the lack of a five year land supply in the short term.
 - R3 That the First Review of the Caerphilly County Borough Local Development Plan continue to be progressed in line with the Welsh Government and Council Agreed Delivery Agreement (13th February 2014).
- 1.3 Members raised concerns with regard to Recommendation 2 of the Annual Monitoring Report, particularly in view of the impact this could have on the release of greenfield sites within the Authority. Officers confirmed that any such potential releases would be determined on their individual merit following a detailed assessment of the sites against the Caerphilly County Borough Local Development Plan and taking into account all other planning and material considerations.
- 1.4 Following discussion on the content of the report, the Regeneration and Environment Scrutiny Committee considered and noted the findings of the 2014 Annual Monitoring Report and the implications of the recommendations detailed therein and unanimously recommended that:-
 - (i) The 2014 Annual Monitoring Report be referred to Cabinet for consideration;
 - (ii) The 2014 Annual Monitoring Report be submitted to the Welsh Government before the deadline of 31st October 2014.
- 1.5 Members are asked to consider these recommendations.

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Appendix 1: Report to Regeneration and Environment Scrutiny Committee on

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