

CABINET – 30TH SEPTEMBER 2015

SUBJECT: BUTE TOWN CONSERVATION AREA APPRAISAL AND

CONSERVATION AREA MANAGEMENT PLAN (CAA AND CAMP)

FINAL DRAFT 2015

REPORT BY: ACTING DIRECTOR OF CORPORATE SERVICES AND SECTION 151

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- 1.1 The attached report was considered by the Regeneration and Environment Scrutiny Committee on 15th September 2015, prior to its presentation to Cabinet and thereafter Council. It sought the views of Members on proposals to adopt the Bute Town Conservation Area Appraisal and Conservation Area Management Plan 2015 (CAA and CAMP) as supplementary planning guidance to the Caerphilly County Borough Local Development Plan up to 2021 (LDP).
- 1.2 Members were advised that Bute Town was first designated a Conservation Area on 20th October 1972. An Article 4 Direction for Bute Town has also been in place since 23rd April 1979. As a consequence of work associated with the bid for Heritage Lottery Funding for Bute Town, the Conservation Area has been reassessed, and on 11th February 2015 the Planning Committee resolved to extend and re-align the Conservation Area. They further resolved to replace the Article 4 Direction with a new, extended Article 4(2) Direction boundary, for the proper and sustainable management of the historic environment.
- 1.3 A Conservation Area Appraisal and Management Plan (CAA and CAMP) for Bute Town has now been produced which reflects the updated Conservation Area Boundary, and approval is sought to adopt this as supplementary planning guidance to the Caerphilly County Borough Local Development Plan up to 2021 (LDP). As this will supersede existing guidance, approval is also sought for the current 'Bute Town Conservation Area Design Guide' and 'Bute Town Conservation Area Enhancement Plan (August 2005)' to be consequently cancelled.
- 1.4 Following consideration and discussion of the report, the Regeneration and Environment Scrutiny Committee unanimously recommended to Cabinet (and thereafter Council) that for the reasons contained therein:-
 - (i) the Bute Town Conservation Area Appraisal and Conservation Area Management Plan 2015 (CAA and CAMP) be formally adopted as supplementary planning guidance to the Caerphilly County Borough Local Development Plan up to 2021 (LDP);
 - (ii) the 'Bute Town Conservation Area Design Guide' and 'Bute Town Conservation Area Enhancement Plan (August 2005)' be consequently cancelled.
- 1.5 Members are asked to consider the recommendations.

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Appendices: Appendix 1 Report to Regeneration and Environment Scrutiny Committee on 15th September 2015 – Agenda Item 7