

Record of Officer Decision

Planning Contributions and Affordable Housing Supplementary Planning Document

Decision Taker and Date Decision Taken:

Divisional Director of Planning, Housing & Climate Emergency on 04 September 2023.

Summary of Matter or Issue Requiring Decision:

To approve an amended version of the Planning Contributions and Affordable Housing Supplementary Planning Document which corrects a small number of typos and provides clarified wording to improve the useability of the approved document. This is in accordance with the decision of Cabinet on 13 December 2022 to approve the Planning Contributions and Affordable Housing Supplementary Planning Document and to, amongst other things, authorise the Divisional Director for Planning, Housing and Climate Emergency to make minor editorial amendments to the document in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Infrastructure, Environment and Culture.

Decision Taken:

That the Planning Contributions and Affordable Housing Supplementary Planning Document as set out in Appendix 1 be approved.

Summary of Reason(s) for Decision Taken:

The approval of the amendments to the Planning Contributions and Affordable Housing Supplementary Planning Document will ensure that the document is clear and useable for officers, applicants, and Members, thereby improving the process of seeking and securing planning obligations towards infrastructure and affordable housing as part of the planning process.

Summary of Alternatives or Options considered and rejected and Background Papers:

An alternative would be to not amend the Planning Contributions and Affordable Housing Supplementary Planning Document and to retain the existing version of the document. Given that the existing version of the document contains a small number of known typos and wording that could be improved for clarity, retaining the existing version of the document is not recommended as it could lead to unnecessary uncertainties and possible delays in the planning application process as applicants may misunderstand certain aspects relating to the department's requirements for planning obligations.

Details of any conflict of interest and dispensation granted to the Officer taking the decision or by any Member of the Council in delegating responsibility for any specific express delegation:

None.

Implementation:

Immediately.

A copy of this decision and any supporting documentation considered by the Officer taking this

decision may also be available for inspection by the public at the Council's officers or posted upon payment of any copying and postage charges. Any member of the public wishing to take up either of these options is asked to please ring (01803) 207087 or email governance.support@torbay.gov.uk

Signed: _____ Date: _____
(Divisional Director Planning, Housing and Climate Emergency)