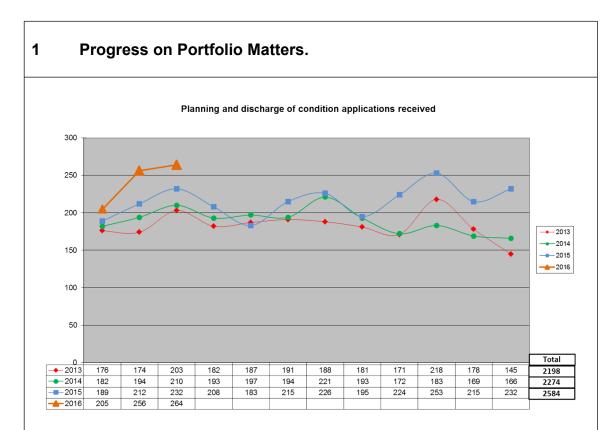
CABINET MEMBERS REPORT TO COUNCIL

28 April 2016

COUNCILLOR RICHARD BLUNT - CABINET MEMBER FOR DEVELOPMENT

For the period 11 March 2016 to 19 April 2016



Planning Applications and Five Year Land Supply

Application numbers continue to be grow, 264. That is 8 more than last month 4 year high. The reallocated internal resources plus the existing planning officers are working very hard to ensure all applications are processed within recommended time scales.

After careful consideration of the number of recent planning application approvals and the closeness of the final approval of the Local Development Framework and discussions with Cabinet, the Borough Council announces it believes it now has a five year land supply. A statement to that affect will be included in the evidence being presented at the Heacham Inquiry in May. The implications of this statement are that all planning decisions made after Tuesday 19 April where appropriate will be considered using Local Planning Policies not National Planning Policies.

E-consultation

In order to ensure the smooth migration to the new system several training sessions have been arranged and offered to Parish Councils.

Drop in training events have been scheduled for Wednesday 11 May (10 am, 2pm and 5pm) and Friday 13 May (10 am and 2 pm). Further dates will offered if required.

To date 10 Parish Councils representatives are attending these events.

Community Infrastructure Levy

The formal public consultation of the Draft Charging Schedule began on Monday 14 March and will end at 5 pm on Monday 25 April. Late responses cannot be accepted. 6 responses have been received as at 13 April.

Local Development Framework

The Site Allocations and Development Management Policies modifications approved by Council last month are now open for further consultation. The consultation is for six weeks. From Wednesday 6 April until 5 pm on Wednesday 18 May. Late responses cannot be accepted. 3 responses have been received as at 13 April.

2 Meetings Attended and Meetings Scheduled

Council Cabinet Cabinet Sifting LDF Task Group Various meetings with Officers Planning Committee as an observer.