



Borough of Oadby & Wigston

Directorate of Community Services

CORE STRATEGY & ALLOCATIONS DEVELOPMENT PLAN DOCUMENTS

In April 2006, Oadby & Wigston Borough Council published a Core Strategy Preferred Options document as part of our emerging Local Development Framework (LDF). The Preferred Options of the Core Strategy set out the proposed spatial vision, strategic objectives and core policies for the Borough. In July 2007 the Council published a supplemental stage of Issues and Options consultation on the Core Strategy in light of consultee responses to the Preferred Options document and further advice from Government Office for the East Midlands. The Supplemental Issues and Options Core Strategy document looked at the broad locations for growth in the Borough and a revision of the choices for how development could be accommodated. A further stage of Preferred Options consultation was due to commence at the end of September 2007.

Following consideration of the consultee responses made to the Supplemental Issues and Options Core Strategy and discussion with other stakeholders in the LDF process, the Borough Council has decided to delay the further stage of Preferred Options consultation at this time. This to allow for further work to be carried out to refine our options, check that all the strategic issues have been fully taken into account and ensure that there is sufficient evidence to allow the Core Strategy to meet the tests of soundness at examination. In addition, the Regional Spatial Strategy Panel Report is due to be published in November 2007 and this is likely to have a significant bearing on our emerging policies and proposals. A revised timetable for production of the Core Strategy will be published in due course.

As a consequence of this decision, the timetable for the production of the Allocations Development Plan Document will be affected. We are endeavouring to ensure that there is not undue delay of this document and seeking advice as to the potential for combining the Core Strategy and Allocations Development Plan Documents.

If you have any queries or comments about the above, please contact the Forward Plans Team on 0116 288 8961 or email forwardplans@oadby-wigston.gov.uk



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