Wiltshire Council

Cabinet

19 April 2016

Public Participation

Questions from Mrs Helen Stuckey

On 18th March 2016, the council updated the Inspector on the Schedule of Work and stated that Officers will be formally reporting to Cabinet on 19 April 2016 to provide an update on the Chippenham Site Allocations Plan and in particular, regarding whether the schedule of work is likely to: (i) result in significant proposed modifications to the submitted Plan due to a different development strategy being identified; or (ii) support a development strategy broadly consistent with the submitted Plan. A copy of the report will be available on 11 April 2016 when the Agenda is published.

I have read the "Draft Chippenham Site Allocations Plan: Update" submitted to support Agenda item 7 but it does not contain the promised update on "whether the schedule of work is likely to result in significant proposed modifications" or not. Why not? Or will an update be presented at the Cabinet meeting itself?

Response

Paragraphs 18 and 19 of the Cabinet report clarify that the work will be complete by the end of April and that: "While the work is not fully complete, the testing of reasonable alternatives is well underway. However, in keeping an open mind, until the work is complete, Officers are not in a position to report on the most appropriate strategy for Chippenham as was anticipated in the Council's letter to the Inspector on 18 March 2016". The outcome of the Schedule of Work will be reported to Council on 10 May and papers will be made available when the papers are published for the meeting