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Local Plan: Authority Monitoring Report.

On 16 December 2014, the Cabinet considered a report that sought authority to publish the Medway Local Plan Authority Monitoring Report.

The Monitoring Report consists of three volumes:

- Volume 1 provided an overview of key population and development trends, social, economic and environmental indicators, and a commentary on progress with the preparation of the new Medway Local Plan;
- Volume 2 comprised detailed data tables that were summarised in Volume 1;
- Volume 3 was the Local Aggregate Assessment, that assessed the supply of mineral aggregates from land won, imported and secondary and recycled sources in Medway in 2013.

A Housing Implementation Strategy was also presented, which set out the position on the supply of housing land and actions being taken to boost the supply of housing.

A copy of the report and appendices are available via the following link:

<http://democracy.medway.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=115&MId=2960&Ver=4>

The Cabinet approved the 2014 Authority Monitoring Report for publication, as set out in Appendices 1 and 2 in Supplementary Agenda No.1 and revised Appendix 3 in Supplementary Agenda No.2, subject to:

- a) Paragraph 1.14 of the Medway Housing Implementation Strategy (revised Appendix 3 to the Cabinet report) being amended to read:

Secondly, the Council has been obliged to review its housing needs and has therefore taken the decision to increase its housing target from 815 to 1000 dwellings per annum, back dated to the start of the new local plan period 2011/12. This is based on an assessment of projected household growth in Medway over the period of the new local plan up to 2035. Thus thereby demonstrating the authority's commitment to significantly boost the supply of housing immediately.

- b) The bottom 3 lines of the table in paragraph 5.8 of the Housing Implementation Strategy (Appendix 3 to the Cabinet Report) being deleted.

Delegation from Leader and Cabinet and date:

In addition to the decisions outlined above the Director of Regeneration, Community and Culture, in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Strategic Development and Economic Growth, was delegated authority to approve any minor corrections to Appendices 1, 2 and 3 prior to publication that might improve clarity and consistency.

Decision: *It did not prove necessary to exercise this delegation as no*

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further minor corrections/factual amendments were required to these documents prior to publication.

The final documents have now been published on the Council's website:
<http://www.medway.gov.uk/planningandbuilding/planningpolicy/authoritymonitoringreport.aspx>

Reasons for Decision: *Not applicable.*

Date of Decision: *Not applicable.*

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Details of any other options considered and rejected: *Not applicable*

Conflicts of Interest: *Not applicable.*