

## **BOROUGH LOCAL PLAN – NEXT STEPS**

### **1. PURPOSE OF REPORT**

To update the forum on the next steps for the Borough Local Plan and opportunity for future engagement about the Golf Club extended site in Maidenhead.

### **2. SUPPORTING INFORMATION**

**BOROUGH LOCAL PLAN – A DECADE IN THE MAKING!**

The Borough Local Plan (BLP) provides framework to guide future development of RBWM to 2033.

Benefits to having an up to date adopted Local Plan.

- More control and certainty at planning application stage
- Protects communities from speculative planning applications
- Delivery of new Corporate Plan objectives including family homes, affordable housing & infrastructure.
- Supports Council's placemaking & climate change ambitions and help deliver regeneration and jobs

Next Steps

- Inspector will consider the Main Modification (MM) comments from the consultation/engagement events during Summer 2021 & decide whether she needs further information or hearings
- Inspector will issue final report on Examination likely by 2<sup>nd</sup> December - expected to recommend adoption of BLP with MMs.
- Report will be taken to Full Council, most likely in December 2021, recommending adoption of the BLP.
- BLP will then have full weight for planning decisions and replace existing plans.
- Supplementary Planning Documents (SPDs) to be produced to provide further guidance eg; affordable housing, Sustainability/Climate Change and South West Maidenhead.

### **LAF INVOLVEMENT GOING FORWARD!**

Pre- application designs have not yet been received for the Golf Club extended site, however a "South West Maidenhead Placemaking SPD" is being produced as required by Policy QP1b of the BLP.

There will be some stakeholder/public engagement events early next year, after the BLP is adopted. These events are likely to take place in late January and early February 2022. The Planning Policy team have confirmed that the RBWM Local Access Forum has been added to the draft list of attendees and will be invited to these engagement events.