

**Epsom & Ewell Borough Council – Decisions taken by the Licensing and Planning Policy Committee on Tuesday, 24 September 2024**

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Decisions will come into force, and may be implemented, on the expiry of 5 clear working days from the date of this notice unless called in by the Audit and Scrutiny Committee.

NOTE: The following represents a summary of the decisions taken by the Committee. It is not intended to represent the formal record of the meeting (for which reference should be made to the minutes) but to facilitate the call-in process.

Agenda Item No	Topic	Decision
1.	Questions and Statements from the Public	No questions or statements were received from members of the public.
2.	Declarations of Interest	No declarations of interest were made in relation to items of business to be discussed at the meeting.
3.	Minutes of the Previous Meeting	The Minutes of the Meeting of the Licensing and Planning Policy Committee held on 11 July 2024 were agreed as a true record and signed by the Chair.
4.	Proposed reforms to the National Planning Policy Framework and other changes to the planning system	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Councillor Julie Morris proposed an amendment that the 6-month time listed in response to Question 103 of the Government consultation, in reference to the potential wording for paragraph 226 of the NPPF, be increased to 1 year;               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>a. the <del>emerging annual housing requirement</del><sup>83</sup> in a local plan that reaches or has reached Regulation 19 (presubmission stage) on or before [publication date + <b>1 year 6 months</b>] is no more than 200 dwellings below the published relevant Local Housing Need figure<sup>85</sup>;</i></li> <li><i>b. the local plan is a Part 2 plan that does not introduce new strategic policies</i></li> </ul> </li> </ul>

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		<p><i>setting the housing requirement unless the relevant Local Plan Part 1 has been prepared applying the policies in this version of the Framework;</i></p> <p><i>c. the local plan is or has been submitted for examination under Regulation 22 on or before [publication date + 1 year 6 months].</i></p> <p>The proposal was seconded by Councillor Kieran Persand.</p> <p>The Committee agreed the proposed amendment (4 for, 2 against, 2 abstaining, and the Chair not voting).</p> <p>Following consideration, the Committee resolved to;</p> <p>(6 for, 1 against, 1 abstaining, and the Chair not voting)</p> <p><b>(1) Note the contents of the consultation.</b></p> <p><del><b>(2) Approve the draft response (Appendix 1) or;</b></del></p> <p><b>(3) Agree amendments and authorise the Head of Place Development in consultation with the Chair of this Committee, to finalise and submit the response.</b></p> <p>In the opinion of the Chief Executive and in accordance with the Paragraph 14.2 of <a href="#">Annex 4.6 of the Operating Framework (Overview, Audit and Scrutiny)</a> the decision on this item is considered to be urgent and is not subject to call-in.</p>

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5.	Epsom Town Centre Masterplan	<p>Following consideration, the Committee unanimously resolved to:</p> <p><b>(4) Approve publication of the Epsom Town Centre Masterplan (Appendices 1- and 2 of this report).</b></p>
6.	Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plan	<p>Following consideration, the Committee resolved to;</p> <p>(7 for, 1 against, and the Chair not voting)</p> <p><b>(5) Endorse the Epsom and Ewell Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plan – Phase 1.</b></p>
7.	Article 4 Directions - Office Buildings and Primary Frontages	<p>Following consideration, the Committee unanimously resolved to:</p> <p><b>(6) Approve the cancellation of the Article 4 directions confirmed in December 2015 relating to changes of use from employment office buildings to residential use (C3) contained in Appendix 1.</b></p> <p><b>(7) Approve the cancellation of the Article 4 directions confirmed in October 2015 relating to changes of use in retail frontages contained in Appendix 2.</b></p>
8.	Authority Monitoring Report	<p>Following consideration, the Committee unanimously resolved to:</p>

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	2023/24	<b>(8) Note the content of the Authority Monitoring Report for the 2023/24 Monitoring year and agree to it being published.</b>
<b>9.</b>	Motion 1 referred from Full Council on 30 July 2024	Following consideration, the Committee resolved to; (5 for, 2 against, 1 abstaining, and the Chair not voting) <b>(9) Note the motion, as debated, and take no further action in light of the content of the report.</b>
<b>10.</b>	Motion 5 referred from Full Council on 30 July 2024	Following consideration, the Committee resolved to; (5 for, 1 against, 2 abstaining, and the Chair not voting) <b>(10) Note the motion and take no further action in light of the content of the report.</b>