Epsom & Ewell Borough Council – Decisions taken by the Licensing and Planning Policy Committee on Thursday, 23 January 2020

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Decisions will come into force, and may be implemented, on the expiry of 5 working days from the date of this notice unless called in by the Audit, Crime & Disorder 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.	Question Time	No questions were submitted by members of the public
2.	Declarations of Interest	Declarations of Interest are recorded in the Minutes
3.	Minutes of Previous Meeting	The Minutes of the meeting of the Licensing and Planning Policy Committee held on 14 November 2019 were agreed and signed by the Chair as a true record.
4.	Annual Monitoring Report 2018- 2019	The Committee noted the contents of the Annual Monitoring report.
5.	Housing Delivery Test 2019	The Committee noted the forecasted result for Epsom & Ewell in the government's forthcoming Housing Delivery Test 2019 and the implications for the local planning authority's plan-making and decision making process.
6.	Local Plan Design Policies	The Committee: (1) Noted the publication of the National Design Guidance and associated 10 characteristics which are used when assessing and determining planning

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		applications (2) Agreed the key areas of focus of proposed policies being prepared for Regulation 18 consultation for the draft Local Plan as set out in paragraph 3.7 of the report.
7.	Biodiversity: Local Plan Background Paper	The Committee: (1) Noted the content of the Biodiversity Background paper attached at Annex 1 (2) Endorsed the approach as set out in section 8.0 of Annex 1 for the preparation of the Local Plan, subject to amendments agreed in the meeting.
8.	Local Plan Evidence Base: Spatial Economic Development Strategy	 The Committee: (1) Noted the contents of the Spatial Economic Development Strategy 2020 as a technical study that will form part of the evidence based for the emerging new Local Plan (2) Authorised the Head of Planning to amend the strategy in line with the suggestions made in the meeting.
9.	Race Training & Equestrian Industry: Local Plan Background Paper	The Committee noted the contents of the Scoping Report on the Racecourse & Equestrian Sector as a technical study that will form part of the evidence base for the emerging new Local Plan.

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10.	Local Plan Evidence Base: Retail Needs Assessment and Town Centres Health Checks	The Committee noted the contents of the Draft Borough-wide Retail Needs Assessment and Town centres' Health Checks as a technical study that will form part of the evidence base for the emerging new Local Plan, subject to minor amendments agreed at the meeting.
11.	Revised Local Plan Programme	The Committee considered and approved the draft Local Plan Programme January 2020.