

RUSHMOOR BOROUGH COUNCIL RECORD OF EXECUTIVE DECISION



Decision taken by individual Cabinet member

(All sections must be completed (mark "N/A" as applicable))

DECISION MAKER *(Name and designation)*

Cllr Keith Dibble, Portfolio Holder for Housing & Planning

DECISION AND THE REASON(S) FOR IT

To respond to the Government on the following consultations:

- Improving the implementation of Biodiversity Net Gain for minor, medium and brownfield development (Defra Consultation)
- Consultation on Biodiversity Net Gain for Nationally Significant Infrastructure Projects (Defra Consultation)
- Reform of planning committees: technical consultation

The consultations detail the implementation of several elements in the Levelling Up and Regeneration Bill (LURA) alongside proposals for further changes to the planning system, with potential implications for Rushmoor. Proposals would impact on the day-to-day activities of the planning service and/or how the planning committee functions, and it is therefore important that the Council submits a response to these consultations.

The responses have been prepared in consultation with members of the Strategic Housing and Local Plan Group (SHLPG). The consultations were discussed at the meeting of SHLPG on 17th June 2025 and drafts of the responses were shared with SHLPG members for comment on 10th July 2025.

DATE DECISION TAKEN

22nd July 2025

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED

(Those examined by officers and generated by consultation, etc)

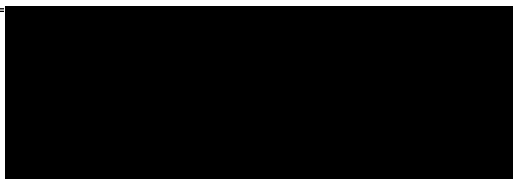
The Council could choose not to respond to the consultations. However, due to the potential implications of the consultations for the Council, this was not considered an appropriate option.

ANY CONFLICTS OF INTERESTS DECLARED

(conflict of interests of any executive member who is consulted by the officer which relates to the decision. A note of dispensation should be attached).

N/A

Signe



Keith Dibble

(Decision maker)

Designation: Portfolio Holder for Housing & Planning