

**CABINET**  
**9 JULY 2019**

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**LOCAL PLAN TASK AND FINISH REVIEW GROUP - PLACE SCRUTINY UPDATE**

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**SUMMARY REPORT**

**Purpose of the Report**

1. This report seeks to update Members on the findings of the Local Plan Task and Finish Review Group in respect of the proposed Local Plan 2016-2036.

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2. A meeting of the Local Plan Task and Finish Review Group was held on 13 June 2019 to look at the proposed draft Local Plan 2016-36. All Members of the Place Scrutiny Committee were invited to attend.
3. Members of the Task and Finish Review Group considered the draft Cabinet report and agreed to the recommendations contained within that report, and these views were reported to the Place Scrutiny Committee on 4 July 2019.
4. In considering the recommendations, a Member in attendance at the Place Scrutiny Committee, requested that further consideration be given to the planned access road through Springfield Park for the Skerningham development. He felt that this access road had not been modelled and that there was no evidence to suggest that the road was critical in terms of access to the development.
5. The Place Scrutiny agreed to advise Cabinet of the recommendations of the Task and Finish Review Group and also of its view that, as there was no modelled evidence to suggest that the Springfield Park access road was critical, it should be removed from the Plan and that paragraph 6.10.13 be also removed from the Draft Local Plan.

**Recommendations**

6. It is recommended that Cabinet:-
  - (a) be advised of Place Scrutiny Committee's decision to note and agree to the recommendations from the Task and Finish Review Group.
  - (b) be advised of Place Scrutiny Committee's view that, as there was no modelled evidence to suggest the Springfield Park access road was critical, that this should be removed from the Plan and that paragraph 6.10.13 be removed from the Draft Local Plan.

**Reasons**

7. To advise Cabinet of the outcome of Scrutiny consultation.

**Councillor Jones**  
**Chair of Place Scrutiny Committee**

S17 Crime and Disorder	This report has no implications for Crime and Disorder.
Health and Well Being	This report has no direct implications to the Health and Well Being of residents of Darlington.
Carbon Impact	There are no issues which this report needs to address.
Diversity	There are no issues relating to diversity which this report needs to address
Wards Affected	All
Groups Affected	All
Budget and Policy Framework	This report does not represent a change to the budget and policy framework.
Key Decision	No
Urgent Decision	No
One Darlington: Perfectly Placed	The work covered in this report is consistent with the 'One Darlington' strategic aims.
Efficiency	This report does not identify specific efficiency savings.
Impact on Looked After Children and Care Leavers	This report has no impact on Looked After Children or Care Leavers