


<h1>Officer Decision Notice</h1>	<p>Classification:</p> <p>Unrestricted</p>	 <p>STROUD DISTRICT COUNCIL</p>
<p>Report of: Kathy O’Leary, Chief Executive</p>		
<p>Subject / Title: Bringing the Horsley Neighbourhood Development Plan (HNDP) into legal force</p>		
<p>Date of Decision: 28/07/2021</p>		

1. **SUMMARY**

- 1.1 Following a positive result at local referendum, the Council has a legal duty to bring the HNDP into legal force.
- 1.2 Under normal circumstances this would be resolved at a full Council meeting, however the scheduled meeting for 15th July was cancelled.
- 1.3 The Chief Executive will therefore issue the decision in accordance with Paragraph B1.1 of the Officer Scheme of Delegation.

2. **DECISION TAKEN**

- 2.1 The HNDP is made part of the Development Plan for Stroud District.
- 2.2 The Strategic Director of Place is delegated to correct any further minor spelling, grammatical or typographical errors together with any improvements from a presentational perspective, in agreement with the Qualifying Body

3. **REASONS FOR THE DECISION**

- 3.1 The reasons for the decision are set out in the accompanying report

4. **ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS**

- 4.1 The Council has a legal duty to bring the plan into force following a positive result at the local referendum. The only circumstances in which the Council could not make the Neighbourhood Plan would be if it considers that the Neighbourhood Plan, including its preparation, breaches and would otherwise be incompatible with any EU obligation or any Convention rights (within the meaning of the Human Rights Act 1998)

5. CONSULTATION

5.1 In reaching this decision, the decision maker has consulted with and has the agreement of the following:

- Chief Executive
- Section 151 Officer
- Monitoring Officer
- Leaders of all political groups

6. Conflicts of Interest Declaration

6.1 None

Signed 

(Kathy O'Leary, Chief Executive)
