

LOCAL PLAN UPDATE

From the Director of Planning and Business Manager

New Local Plan

The current focus of work for the Local Plan is on the Spatial Strategy, Local Service Centres and Site Assessment. We have had over 500 sites submitted across Breckland for inclusion within the Local Plan. As part of the site assessments we are preparing a review of Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment to include the new sites which were submitted during the Issues and Options consultation.

Evidence Base

A review of the previous Water Cycle Studies and an update to the Strategic Flood Risk Assessment is currently being prepared. This will consider the capacity of the waste water treatment works to cope with further development in the District over the Local Plan period to 2036. It will also provide updates to the flood risk areas across the five market towns and local service centre villages.

Monitoring

April marks a busy time within the policy team with site visits carried out in regards to housing, employment, retail and tourism starts and completions. This information will form the basis for the Annual Monitoring Report and an update to the Five Year Housing Land Supply Statement, which will be reported later in the year.