

**Recommendations for approval**

**Local Plan Panel – 14 March 2019**

**Minute No. 561 – Retail and Leisure Needs Assessment**

- (1) That the content of the Retail and Leisure Needs Assessment Study be noted as part of the Local Plan Review evidence base to be used in shaping the planning strategies for the Borough's town centres and town centre policies.*
- (2) That Cabinet adopts, as a material consideration, a local threshold of 500 square metres for retail/leisure floorspace proposals outside of designated centres to require an impact assessment of the proposal as set out in paragraph 89 of the NPPF.*

**Minute No. 562 – Considering the role of new garden communities within the Local Plan review**

- (a) That the draft technical assessment material in Appendix I and II be noted and its finalisation and publication be agreed.*
- (b) That work on new garden communities continued in order that their position be considered as a potential option(s) for the Local Plan Review process.*
- (c) That the recommended resolution on new garden communities for decision-making purposes noted on page 207 of the report be deferred for further consideration and legal advice.*

**Minute No. 563 - Local Plan review process update and potential options**

- (1) That the report, which provided an update on the current position in the local plan review preparation process including an update on the evidence, be noted.*
- (2) That work on new garden communities continues in order that their position be considered as potential options for the Local Plan Review process.*
- (3) That further to Council Minute No. 151 of 26 July 2017 which aimed to deliver M2 junction 5a, A2/M2 link road, completion of the Northern Relief Road and Southern Link, investigation of potential strategic options that will deliver this infrastructure and wider benefits, subject to evidence and Sustainability Appraisal be agreed.*