

# South Bucks District Council

## Cabinet Decision Notice

Notice is given that the following decisions have been taken by Cabinet on Friday, 10 January 2020

### 4 **Heathrow Joint Spatial Planning Framework**

#### **(a) DECISION:**

The Cabinet received a report on the creation of a Joint Spatial Planning Framework which would guide the process of securing the wider gains from the proposed expansion of Heathrow, which did not already form part of the Development Consent Order (DCO), including economic gains and other transport improvements within the region. A Statement of Common Ground on the JSPF was due to be developed with Member authorities for submission to the Examination of the Heathrow DCO.

Cabinet Members discussed the report and made the following comments:-

- The map relating to the zones of influence around Heathrow Airport (page 27 of the agenda) was not big enough and excluded many part of South Bucks District which needed to be expanded to include areas such as Burnham, Taplow, Beaconsfield, Gerrards Cross, Stoke Poges, Denham and the Ivers, whilst understanding that the Ivers would be deeply impacted. The Senior Infrastructure Consultant reported that he had raised this with HSPG informally and in response had been told that the interaction map related to hotel occupancy adjacent to the airport and that this map would need to be refined to take into account other areas such as residents, businesses and environmental factors.
- There were connecting issues in different DCO's which needed to be addressed through one Framework. Air and ground noise need to be addressed through the Land Use DCO and the Air Change DCO.
- Air quality and environmental impacts needed to be incorporated into the Framework.
- Number of bus hubs needed to be increased to deal with the increase in passengers with regular bus services. Another Cabinet Member also referred to public transport links to Pinewood Studios.
- There needed to be detailed consideration about north/south connectivity to ensure that passengers could use public transport which also needed to include Old Oak Common, the Elizabeth and Chiltern Line. There needed to be

more thought about the transport network and direct public transport links to Heathrow without travelling into London.

- HAL needed to look at a bigger vision for example, Bosch had its headquarters in Denham and it was important to establish good economic and transport links and to be innovative.

Cabinet Members agreed that an additional recommendation be added with regard to the sign off of the final draft document in paragraph 2 below.

## **RESOLVED**

- 1. That the comments on the detailed report and appended annex, which set out the purpose and content of the proposed Joint Spatial Planning Framework for securing long term opportunities from the Heathrow expansion be noted.**
- 2. That the comments above are incorporated into the final response to the working draft JSPF and Statement of Common Ground submitted by the Director of Services/Acting Chief Executive on behalf of the Council in consultation with the Leader and that authority be delegated to the Director of Services/Acting Chief Executive to sign off the final document in consultation with the Leader.**
- 3. That the Council should recommend that the new Buckinghamshire Unitary Council, once established, endorses the final version of the JSPF and plays an active role in its implementation as an HSPG Member Council to secure the economic opportunities for Buckinghamshire.**

### **(b) REASON FOR DECISION:**

The JSPF is seen as an important non-statutory means by which additional investments can be secured for wider economic and infrastructure opportunities beyond the mitigation required to address the immediate effects and impacts. Whilst the Director of Services has delegated authority to respond to consultations, in view of the significance of the proposals Cabinet have been asked to make comments before a response is submitted in consultation with the Leader.

### **(c) ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED:**

There are no alternative options. As the other Heathrow Spatial Planning

Group Members take it forwards it is important that South Bucks District do not miss out on the opportunity to shape the strategy and secure wider gains from the region and its businesses and communities.

**(d) CONFLICTS OF INTERESTS/DISPENSATIONS:**

None

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