

<b>Report to:</b>	<b>EXECUTIVE CABINET</b>
<b>Date:</b>	30 August 2023
<b>Executive Member:</b>	Councillor Jan Jackson – Executive Member (Planning, Transport and Connectivity)
<b>Reporting Officer:</b>	Julian Jackson – Director of Place
<b>Subject:</b>	<b>AUTHORITY’S MONITORING REPORT</b>
<b>Report Summary:</b>	<p>This report seeks approval to publish an updated Authority’s Monitoring Report (AMR) for 2022/23 to satisfy the requirements of Section 35 of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004. The AMR monitors implementation of the Local Development Scheme (LDS), local planning policies, and activities under the duty to cooperate as set out by Section 34 of the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) England Regulations 2012.</p> <p>This report covers the monitoring period 1 April 2022 to 31 March 2023 and data gaps of previous years where this information is now available.</p> <p>In addition, the report seeks authority to publish an updated Statement of Community involvement as a result of monitoring processes identifying a need for review. The updated Statement of Community Involvement seeks to be clearer around consultation methods and presents information in plainer English.</p>
<b>Recommendations:</b>	<p>That Executive Cabinet be recommended to agree:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) to publication of those documents which comprise the 2022/23 AMR as at <b>Appendix 1</b>; and</li> <li>(ii) to publish and bring into immediate effect the updated Statement of Community involvement as at <b>Appendix 2</b>.</li> </ul>
<b>Corporate Plan:</b>	The AMR supports the Corporate Plan vision by helping to ensure that Tameside is a place where people can start well, live well and age well, through the publication of information which discharges statutory duties and helps to inform planning decisions.
<b>Policy Implications:</b>	None. The AMR does not introduce or amend the application of existing policy but rather helps to inform the potential need for its review.
<b>Financial Implications: (Authorised by the statutory Section 151 Officer)</b>	<p>There are no direct financial implications arising from publishing the documents at <b>Appendix 1</b> and <b>Appendix 2</b>.</p> <p>The funding sources for the work discussed within the Authority’s Monitoring Report is shown below:</p> <p><b>Development of the Places for Everyone Plan and Tameside’s Homes, Spaces, Places</b></p> <p>This includes all consultation activity associated with the development of these plans.</p>

	23/24 £m	24/25 £m	25/26 £m	26/27 £m	27/28 £m	Total £m
Held in Reserves						0.132
Revenue Budget	0.176	0.209	0.234	0.234	0.234	1.087
<b>Total</b>						<b>1.219</b>

### Community Involvement

All other work around community involvement (excluding consultation for the Places for Everyone Plan and Homes, Spaces, Places, which is shown above) in planning is funded through the Planning Service's revenue budget which is supported by charging for services as detailed in the Council's Fees and Charges Schedule, agreed as part of the Annual Budget Report. The table below shows the 22/23 outturn position of the service and the 23/24 budget and forecast position.

	22/23 Outturn £m	23/24 Budget £m	23/24 Forecast £m
Expenditure	0.893	1.017	1.010
Income	(0.546)	(0.858)	(0.704)
Net Position	0.346	0.159	0.306

#### Legal Implications: (Authorised by the Borough Solicitor)

Each local planning authority is required to produce an Authority's Monitoring Report (AMR) at least every 12 months to comply with section 35 of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 as amended by the Localism Act 2011.

#### Risk Management:

In not publishing an updated AMR the Council risks failing to comply with its legal requirements under Section 35 of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004.

#### Access to Information:

Once published the AMR will be available here:

<https://www.tameside.gov.uk/planning/ldf/planningmonitoring>

Once published the updated Statement of Community involvement will be available here:

[https://www.tameside.gov.uk/Planning/Statement-of-Community-Involvement-\(SCI\)](https://www.tameside.gov.uk/Planning/Statement-of-Community-Involvement-(SCI))

#### Background Information:

The background papers relating to this report can be inspected by contacting Graham Holland, Planning Policy Team Manager.



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## 1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 Section 35 of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 requires every local planning authority to prepare an Authority's Monitoring Report (AMR) at least every 12 months. Amendments brought about through the Localism Act 2011 afford the Authority a degree of flexibility to prepare its AMR as a series of individual monitoring reports instead of a single report, as this affords efficiencies in publishing information as soon as it becomes available.
- 1.2 Information relating to industrial, commercial and residential land supply are for instance made available separately through the Councils' Strategic Housing and Economic Land Availability Assessment (SHELAA) and this is published as soon as information becomes available. Similarly, the Councils' Brownfield Land Register (BLR), which is up to date, is reported separately to ensure the most readily available information is published as soon as is practically possible.

## 2. UPDATE

- 2.1 The role of the Authority Monitoring Report (as at **Appendix 1**) is to show activity across four principal areas:
- the duty to cooperate;
  - plan monitoring indicators, including information contained with the Strategic Housing and Economic Land Availability Assessment and Brownfield Land Register;
  - progress with plan preparation; and
  - policies which are no longer being implemented.
- 2.2 This AMR covers the monitoring period 1 April 2022 to 31 March 2023 and is published as a series of individual documents which are appended to this report. The AMR also seeks to cover the intervening period since the Council last published an AMR, publishing data for the intervening years of 2020/21 and 2021/22 where this is available.
- 2.3 The AMR also identifies a need to refresh the Councils Statement of Community Involvement (SCI). The current SCI was reviewed in June 2021 to reflect the challenges of the coronavirus pandemic and change in narrative around plans being prepared, namely the Greater Manchester Spatial Framework to Places for Everyone. This 2023 update (as at **Appendix 2**) reflects a post pandemic environment whilst also recording the latest position with regard to the examination of Places for Everyone. Additionally, it is presented in cleaner and clearer format with involvement of the Councils design team and is aimed to assist people to more easily understand when they can expect to be consulted by the Council about planning material.

## 3. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 3.1 As set out at the front of the report.