

REPORT TO: Environment and Urban Renewal Policy and Performance Board

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REPORTING OFFICER: Executive Director Environment & Regeneration

PORTFOLIO: Environment and Urban Renewal

SUBJECT: Halton Delivery and Allocations Local Plan (DALP) Authority Monitoring Report (AMR) (01/04/2022 to 31/03/2023); Housing AMR (01/04/2014 to 31/03/2023); Economy AMR (01/04/2014 to 31/03/2023)

WARD(S) Borough wide

1.0 PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

1.1 To present the Board with Draft Authority Monitoring Reports (AMRs) reporting on the progress of DALP policies for the period 01/04/2022 to 31/03/2023. Three reports are presented: The DALP AMR, (Appendix 1) The Housing AMR (Appendix 2) and the Economy AMR (Appendix 3). The DALP AMR provides the headline data for all DALP policies, the Housing and Economy AMR's provide greater detail for each topic area.

1.2 Local planning authorities are required to publish information at least annually that shows progress with local plan preparation, reports any activity relating to the duty to cooperate, any information collected which relates to indicators in the plan, and any policies which are not being implemented.

2.0 **RECOMMENDATION: That the Board endorse the draft AMRs so that the documents can be made publicly available and published on the Councils website.**

3.0 SUPPORTING INFORMATION

3.1 [Regulation 34 of the Town and Country Planning \(Local Planning\) \(England\) Regulations 2012](#) sets out what information the AMR must contain.

3.2 In accordance with the Council's Statement of Community Involvement and the regulations set out in the Town and Country Planning Act, as the AMRs are not classed as process documents the Council are not required to publicly consult on them. If/when the AMRs

are given approval by The Board the reports will be published and made available to view on the Planning Policy pages of the Councils website.

- 3.3 Although the DALP covers the period back to 2014 this will be the first publication since its adoption in March 2022. This AMR provides analysis and progress of the performance of each DALP policy by topic area. The AMR will enable comparisons to be made with past and future years data and allows assessment to be made of the success of individual policies and the DALP objectives. The AMR will also highlight if any policy adjustments are required. Generally, monitoring data covers the period 01/04/2022 to 31/03/2023, however some data does look back to 2014 to cover the period back to the start date of the DALP. The Housing and Economy AMR's provide greater detail and analysis for each topic area covering the period 01/04/2022 to 31/03/2023, with background information back to 2014.

4.0 **POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

- 4.1 Members wish to ensure that DALP policies are performing effectively and the DALP strategies are being met.

5.0 **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

- 5.1 The AMRs will need to be updated annually, which will impact on staff resources.

6.0 **IMPLICATIONS FOR THE COUNCIL'S PRIORITIES**

6.1 **Children & Young People in Halton**

None

6.2 **Employment, Learning & Skills in Halton**

None

6.3 **A Healthy Halton**

None

6.4 **A Safer Halton**

None

6.5 **Halton's Urban Renewal**

None

7.0 **RISK ANALYSIS**

- 7.1 There are no legal or financial risks arising from this report.

8.0 **EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY ISSUES**

8.1 There are no equality and diversity implications arising from this report.

9.0 **CLIMATE CHANGE IMPLICATIONS**

9.1 There are no climate change implications.

10.0 **LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS UNDER SECTION 100D OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972**

None under the meaning of the Act.
