

**Title of meeting:** Cabinet Member for Planning, Regeneration and Economic

Development

**Date of meeting:** 21st June 2017

**Subject**: Authority Monitoring Report (AMR)

Report by: Claire Upton-Brown - Assistant Director of Culture and City

Development

Wards affected: All

**Key decision**: No

Full Council decision: No

# 1. Purpose of report

1.1 To set out the results of the twelfth Authority Monitoring Report (AMR) (previously known as the Annual Monitoring Report) for Portsmouth City Council.

### 2. Recommendations

2.1 The Cabinet Member is recommended to approve the AMR for publication on the Council's website

## 3. Background

3.1 As the Local Planning Authority, the Council must publish an annual report showing progress made on Local Plan policies. The latest document covers the period 1st April 2015 to 31st March 2016. It helps to show how the council's planning policies are contributing towards the regeneration of the city and the provision of sustainable development while safeguarding the environment

## 4 Findings

- 4.1 The full AMR is attached at Appendix 1.
- 4.2 Previously an AMR was a formal document setting out progress against prescribed indicators and submit a report to the Secretary of State. However, this is no longer the case under changes to the Localism Act 2011 and the approach now is to report on a selection of key indicators which show significant facts or trends rather than report on all indicators every year.
- 4.3 The AMR 2015/16 identifies the following key findings to note:



- a) The reconfiguration of The Hard Interchange, including the construction of a new terminal building, an altered site layout and changes to the entrance to Portsmouth Harbour Station and landscaping was completed during this monitoring period
- b. The ARTches Project (now called Hotwalls) opened in July 2016, creating a dedicated artistic and cultural centre and a deli style eatery.
- c. Student accommodation has been monitored for the first time and during the plan period 1,050 units were completed and a further 1,571 units were granted planning permission.
- d. Construction on new coastal defences began in 2015 2016 to manage the flood and erosion risk to properties of Anchorage Park in the north west of the city. The new defences comprise raised earth embankments with a rock revetment front face.
- e. Housing development resulted in an additional 436 net dwellings being delivered during the year. The Council has a five year supply of housing sites, but the position is marginal.
- f. 2015 2016 was the fourth year of operation of the Community Infrastructure Levy and £4,258,023 was collected, a million more than the preceding three years
- 4.4 The AMR is required to be published on the council website and made publicly available to provide an update of progress on the planning policies contained in the Portsmouth Plan.

#### 5. Reasons for recommendations

5.1 The city council is required to publish an annual Authority Monitoring Report

### 6. Equality impact assessment (EIA)

- 6.1 An equality impact assessment is not required as the recommendations do not have a disproportionate negative impact on any of the specific protected characteristics as described in the Equality Act 2010 for the following reasons:
  - This is a document that updates members of the adopted policies and progress towards targets, no decisions will be made regarding this document
  - The development plan documents and supplementary planning documents which
    make up the LDF would have if required an Equality impact assessment completed,
    individual EIAs would include consulting with the pertinent groups on these
    projects/actions if there was a potential impact, positive or negative

## 7. Legal Implications

7.1 Section 35 of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 requires all local planning authorities (LPAs) to publish a monitoring report with prescribed details of



the performance towards the implementation of the local development scheme and the extent to which the policies set out in the local development documents are being achieved during the relevant year. Submission and reception of the report are necessary to comply with such legislation. Publication of the report as recommended is compliant with obligations and with the general local government principles of transparency and accountability.

### 8. Director of Finance's Comments

Signed by:

8.1	This report is recommending that the Annual Monitoring Report (AMR) be published. The AMR reports progress made by Portsmouth City Council as the Local Planning Authority against the Portsmouth City Local Plan and the emerging Portsmouth Local Development Framework. This being so, there are no financial implications in approving the recommendations contained within this report.
Signed by:	
Assistant Director of Culture and City development	
Appendices: Appendix 1 - Authority Monitoring Report 2015 - 2016	
The recommendation(s) set out above were approved/ approved as amended/ deferred/	
reject	ted by on