

TEWKESBURY BOROUGH COUNCIL

Report to:	Executive Committee
Date of Meeting:	11 October 2017
Subject:	Tewkesbury Borough Plan Working Group Terms of Reference
Report of:	Tewkesbury Borough Plan Working Group
Corporate Lead:	Robert Weaver, Deputy Chief Executive
Lead Member:	Lead Member for Built Environment, Councillor Mrs E J MacTiernan
Number of Appendices:	One

Executive Summary:

The Tewkesbury Borough Plan Working Group was set up to oversee the production of the Tewkesbury Borough Plan (TBP). The Terms of Reference were agreed by the Executive Committee on 26 April 2017. Following the initial meetings of the Working Group it was agreed that the Terms of Reference should be amended to include within its membership, the Lead Members for the Built Environment and Economic Development/Promotion.

Recommendation:

That the Terms of Reference for the Tewkesbury Borough Plan Working Group be amended so that membership of the Working Group will comprise seven Members, to include the Lead Members for the Built Environment and Economic Development/Promotion.

Reasons for Recommendation:

To ensure that the Lead Members with responsibility for the Built Environment and Economic Development/Promotion are involved in the Working Group set up to oversee the production of the Tewkesbury Borough Plan.

Resource Implications:

Resource implications for preparing the statutory development plan documents are not affected by this minor amendment to the Terms of Reference to the Working Group.

Legal Implications:

None directly arising from this report.

Risk Management Implications:

None directly associated with this report

Performance Management Follow-up:

The production of the Tewkesbury Borough Plan will be monitored through the Authority's Monitoring Report. There are no direct performance management implications associated with this report.

Environmental Implications:

None directly associated with this report.

1.0 INTRODUCTION/BACKGROUND

1.1 The TBP will sit underneath the strategic-level JCS and provide the local-level growth strategy for the Borough. The TBP will help to meet the level of growth set out in the JCS by providing specific policy guidance for new development in the area and make smaller scale non-strategic allocations. The policies that will be established through the TBP will enable us to set out specific requirements for new development and provide more detail than the policies in the JCS. This will allow us to respond to any particular challenges and issues in the Borough. In regard to allocations, the TBP will specifically focus on housing sites at Tewkesbury Town, Rural Service Centres and Service Villages as well as sites for employment growth around the Borough.

1.2 On 26 April 2017 the Executive Committee received and agreed a report to approve the setting up of a Tewkesbury Borough Plan Working Group, in line with the Terms of Reference to be made up of five Members of the Council. Following the initial meetings of the Working Group it was proposed that its Terms of Reference be amended to include the Lead Members for the Built Environment and Economic Development/Promotion as members of the Working Group.

2.0 OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED

2.1 None.

3.0 CONSULTATION

3.1 The preparation of the Tewkesbury Borough Plan will include consultation in line with the Statement of Community Involvement.

4.0 RELEVANT COUNCIL POLICIES/STRATEGIES

4.1 Emerging Joint Core Strategy.
Emerging Tewkesbury Borough Plan.
Tewkesbury Borough Local Plan to 2011.

5.0 RELEVANT GOVERNMENT POLICIES

5.1 Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004.
Localism Act 2011.
National Planning Policy Framework (2012).
Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012).

6.0 RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS (Human/Property)

- 6.1** The Tewkesbury Borough Plan production is based upon adequate resources being available to satisfactorily complete each stage of the work. This includes: Planning Policy Team and other staff input; evidence base; assessments/appraisals; communications/materials/publicity; and community involvement. The Working Group is part of the structure of governance in the production of the document.

7.0 SUSTAINABILITY IMPLICATIONS (Social/Community Safety/Cultural/ Economic/ Environment)

- 7.1** None directly related to this report, although a development plan led approach to development will help ensure that new development is supported by the necessary facilities and infrastructure. The adoption of the TBP will remain matters to be decided by the Council.

8.0 IMPACT UPON (Value For Money/Equalities/E-Government/Human Rights/Health And Safety)

- 8.1** The Tewkesbury Borough Plan production reflects the statutory and democratic processes that govern plan preparation combined with the resources available to undertake the work.

9.0 RELATED DECISIONS AND ANY OTHER RELEVANT FACTS

- 9.1** Executive Committee decision of 26 April 2017 to approve the setting up of a Tewkesbury Borough Plan Working Group, in line with the Terms of Reference to be made up of five Members of the Council.

Background Papers: None.

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Appendices: Appendix 1 – Tewkesbury Borough Plan Working Group Terms of Reference.