## HARLOW DISTRICT COUNCIL

## **ADOPTION STATEMENT**

## Notice of the adoption of the Harlow Local Development Plan 2011 – 2033 in accordance with The Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 (as amended by Section 112 of the Localism Act 2011)

and

## Sections 17, 26 and 35 of The Town and Country Planning Act (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012 (as amended).

Notice is hereby given that (in accordance with the above-mentioned legislation) Harlow District Council formally adopted the Harlow Local Development Plan 2011 – 2033 on 10 December 2020.

The Harlow Local Development Plan 2011 – 2033 will shape growth and development in the Harlow District Council area until 2033. It allocates land for the provision of housing, jobs and infrastructure as well as providing protection for key environmental assets.

The Harlow Local Development Plan 2011 - 2033 contains policies and proposals that will be used to help in the consideration of planning applications submitted to the Council for determination.

The Harlow Local Development Plan 2011 – 2033 was the subject of an independent examination conducted by Mr David Reed, BSc DipTP DMS MRTPI, who was appointed by the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government. The examination was undertaken against the 2012 National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) under the transitional arrangements set out in Paragraph 214 of the 2019 NPPF as the Plan had been submitted before the 24 January 2019.

This examination commenced on 28 March 2019 and ran until 5 November 2020 and consisted of a number of public hearing sessions held at the Harlow Civic Centre between 28 March 2019 and 4 April 2019. Following the completion of the public hearing sessions, and at the request of the Inspector, a separate consultation was undertaken in respect of the Main Modifications between 12 March 2020 and 31 May 2020, and in respect of a focused consultation in relation to revised Government population projections, that took place between 8 September and 25 September 2020.

The Inspector's final report was published on 30 November 2020 and confirmed that subject to a number of Main Modifications, the Harlow Local Development Plan 2011 –2033 is sound, legally compliant and capable of adoption by the Council.

The recommended Main Modifications, along with additional and consequential Minor Modifications, have been included in the adopted Harlow Local Development Plan 2011 – 2033 which now carries full weight in the consideration and

determination of planning applications, and replaces the following Documents of the Council:

• The Saved Policies of the Adopted Replacement Harlow Local Plan July 2006.

All copies of the listed documents will be removed from Harlow District Council Civic Centre Reception, public libraries in the District, Latton Bush Centre and the Council's website.

Any person aggrieved by the Harlow Local Development Plan 2011 - 2033 may, with the leave of the High Court, make an application to the High Court under Section 113(3) of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 on the grounds that:

i. the Harlow Local Development Plan 2011 – 2033 is not within the appropriate power conferred by Part 2 of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004;

and/or

ii. a procedural requirement (as defined within Section 113 (10) of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004) has not been complied with.

Any such application to the High Court must be made not later than the end of the period of six weeks beginning with the day after the date on which the Harlow Local Development Plan 2011 - 2033 was adopted (i.e. six weeks from 11 December 2020 being the day after adoption).

In accordance with Regulations 26 and 35 of the 2012 Local Plan Regulations the following documents have been made available:

i. the Harlow Local Development Plan 2011 – 2033 and supporting Policies Map;

- ii. this Adoption Statement;
- iii. the Sustainability Appraisal Adoption Statement;
- iv. the Habitats Regulations Adoption Statement; and

v. the Inspector's final report.

These documents can be viewed on the Council's website at <u>www.harlow.gov.uk</u>

Paper copies of these documents will be made available to view at the following public locations in Harlow:

- Harlow Council Civic Centre Reception
- Latton Bush Centre
- Harlow Central Library
- Old Harlow Library
- Great Parndon Library
- Tye Green Library
- Mark Hall Library

Due to the ongoing Covid-19 pandemic, some of these locations may have reduced opening hours and/or be temporarily closed or unable to allow visitors to view documents. It is therefore advised that you contact a location before visiting. For the Harlow Council Civic Centre and Latton Bush Centre, the contact phone number is 01279 446 655. For the libraries, the contact phone number is 0345 603 7628.

Paper copies will be available to purchase on request.

A copy of this Adoption Statement will be sent to all parties who have asked to be notified of the adoption of the Local Plan and to the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government.

For further information, please refer to the Council's website at <u>www.harlow.gov.uk</u>

Andrew Bramidge Head of Environment and Planning December 2020