

Decision Maker: **Development Control Committee**

Date: **30th June 2011**

Decision Type: Non-Urgent Non-Executive Non-Key

Title: **LOCAL DEVELOPMENT FRAMEWORK: ENERGY
REDUCTION AND RENEWABLE ENERGY**

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Ward: Borough-wide

1. Reason for report

1.1 In April 2011 (ES11052), the Improvement and Efficiency Sub Committee resolved (Minute 45) that:

“The Development Control Committee be requested to consider the inclusion of energy efficiency and renewable energy generation measures in future developments across the Borough as part of the Local Development Framework.”

1.2 This report therefore identifies work undertaken as part of the development of the Local Development Framework to promote the inclusion of energy efficiency and renewable energy generation measures in future developments across the Borough.

2. **RECOMMENDATION(S)**

That Development Control Committee:

2.1 Considers this report and the work undertaken as part of the development of the Local Development Framework to promote the inclusion of energy efficiency and renewable energy generation measures in future developments across the Borough.

Corporate Policy

1. Policy Status: New policy. Local Development Framework
 2. BBB Priority: Quality Environment. Vibrant Thriving Town Centres
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Financial

1. Cost of proposal: N/A
 2. Ongoing costs: N/A.
 3. Budget head/performance centre: N/A
 4. Total current budget for this head: £N/A
 5. Source of funding: N/A
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Staff

1. Number of staff (current and additional): N/A
 2. If from existing staff resources, number of staff hours: N/A
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Legal

1. Legal Requirement: Statutory requirement.
 2. Call-in: Call-in is applicable
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Customer Impact

1. Estimated number of users/beneficiaries (current and projected): Borough residents and those employed in and visiting the Borough.
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Ward Councillor Views

1. Have Ward Councillors been asked for comments? N/A.
2. Summary of Ward Councillors comments: N/A

3. COMMENTARY

Members are advised that the report 'Core Strategy- Local Areas, Strategic Themes and Issues' considered at this Committee's March meeting included the themes 'Our Valued Environment' and 'Climate Change and Environmental Considerations'. The Core Strategy as the overarching policy document within the LDF will include strategic level policies in relation to energy efficiency and renewable energy generation measures. The Council's detailed approach will be reflected in further development control policies and the application of building control regulations.

The Mayor's London Plan requirements for energy efficiency are already applied by Bromley as by other boroughs. As Members will be aware conditions are attached to planning approvals where appropriate.

The Executive at its meeting May 25th 2011 authorised consultation on the Draft Core Strategy Issues Document over the summer as part of the Local Development Framework preparation.

4. POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Bromley 2020 as the agreed Sustainable Community Strategy for the borough is the starting point for developing the Core Strategy together with other Bromley key documents. Energy efficiency and renewal energy are particularly relevant to the Building a Better Bromley priorities, of an Excellent Authority and A Quality Environment.

5. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

The Local Development Framework, and the individual development plan documents have to be developed in accordance with the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004.

Non-Applicable Sections:	Financial and Personnel
Background Documents: (Access via Contact Officer)	Report No DRR11/044 Core Strategy Issues Document – Consultation Draft (Executive 25/5/11) Report No DRR11/023 Core Strategy- Local Areas, Strategic Themes and Issues (Development Control Committee 8/3/11)