

Report of the Chief Executive

HOUSES IN MULTIPLE OCCUPATION IN BEESTON1. Purpose of report

To update members on the preparation of an Article 4 Direction.

2. Background

Following work by consultants Icenl, members resolved in February that an Article 4 Direction should be produced, in order to restrict permitted development rights for changes of use to Houses in Multiple Occupation (HMOs) in parts of Beeston. An update report was considered in June.

3. Details

The Planning and Legal sections have been liaising on the Direction and the associated consultation, taking account of the current restrictions due to the coronavirus crisis. At the time of writing the Direction is being drafted and preparations are being made for the consultation.

A provisional timetable for the main procedures regarding the Direction is as follows:

- September 2020: Publication of the Direction and consultation on it. (Including: notifying local residents, County Council and Secretary of State; newspaper advert; site notices, etc.)
- January 2021: Jobs and Economy Committee considers representations and decides whether or not to confirm the Direction.
- September 2021: The Direction comes into force.

The process is potentially subject to intervention by the Secretary of State.

A Supplementary Planning Document will also be prepared, with the intention of it being adopted at the time that the Direction comes into force.

Recommendation

The Committee is asked to NOTE the report.

Background papers

Nil