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# **Cabinet**

**Date:** Tuesday, 19 January 2021

**Time:** 10.00 am

**Venue:** MS Teams Live Event

Membership: (Quorum 3)

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To receive any questions from members in accordance with procedure rule 13.

#### **Councillor Questions for Cabinet 19 January 2021**

#### **Question from Councillor David Tooke**

#### 1. Consultation on the Local Plan

Regarding the Consultation on the Local Plan; currently I understand that it is proposed to put 5 copies of the Consultation Document in Public Libraries which, due to Corona Virus restrictions will be available via the order and collect system. It seems quite probable that issuing copies via this collect scheme – with its concomitant delays for hygiene as well as a loan period of up to 3 weeks – will severely restrict the number of people who can see the document in this way. This also makes it difficult for those who neither drive nor use the internet to make a contribution.

Whilst I accept that mailing a copy to every household would be prohibitively expensive, would it not be possible to mail out "on-demand"?

#### **Question from Councillor Ryan Holloway**

#### 2. Dorset Local Plan

In regard to the Dorset Local plan that is going out for consultation to the public on the 18<sup>th</sup> January to the 15<sup>th</sup> March. I understand that the consultation will be going out on online and webinars too. Considering I know that most of our residents do have access to online. What is the council doing to help our residents who don't have internet access?

With also Dorset now back in a national lockdown and we are likely to stay until March, would it not be best to delay the Public consultation in order to ensure that our residents can see the draft plans in detail, So that we can present the plan when we are out of lockdown.

