Cabinet

20 June 2018



Title	Consultation – Powers for dealing with unauthorised development and encampments		
Purpose of the report	To note		
Report Author	Michael Graham, Head of Corporate Governance		
Cabinet Members	Councillor Ian Harvey Councillor Colin Barnard Councillor Nick Gething	Confidential	No
Corporate Priority	Clean and Safe Environment		
Recommendations	To note the response sent to the Secretary of State in time for the 15 June 2018 deadline.		
Reason for Recommendation	For information		

Key issues

Background

- 1. HM Government, through the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government, the Home Office and the Ministry of Justice launched a consultation in April 2018. This relates to powers for dealing with unauthorised development and encampments.
- 2. Given the importance of this topic to councillors and residents, officers provided a response to the Secretary of State. Portfolio Holders were consulted before the draft was sent.

3. Considerations

4. The planning system and the public order powers are not perfect and officers make comment in this letter about the areas where we think these matters could be improved.

Background papers: There are none

Appendices:

- 1. Consultation Document
- 2. Letter to the Minister
- 3. Appendix 1 to the Letter