

## Local Plan Committee

20 May 2026

### UPDATE

#### Item 6 – Local Plan Policies Update

Appendix D of this report sets out proposed wording for the proposed Policy IFx – Long-term Management of Community Assets and Stewardship.

Following a further meeting with some Members yesterday, a refinement to criterion (2) of the policy is now proposed. The revised wording is shown below.

#### **Policy IFx - Long-term Management of Community Assets and Stewardship.**

1. Proposals for major development that include new open space, green or blue infrastructure, or community facilities (as required by Policy IF4) must secure appropriate long-term, sustainable management, maintenance and public access.
2. Developers should demonstrate (through a management or stewardship strategy or equivalent document) how they have engaged meaningfully with the relevant Council, Town and Parish Councils on the management and maintenance of qualifying assets. Through that engagement, Developers ~~are strongly encouraged to give the~~ **will give first** opportunity for the management and maintenance of assets to these organisations before use of other bodies such as management companies.
3. Developers will be expected to demonstrate that suitable funding mechanisms are in place to secure sustainable and resilient arrangements for management, maintenance and stewardship. Where facilities are to be adopted or maintained by the Council, Town or Parish Council, appropriate financial contributions will be secured.