

**MAIDSTONE BOROUGH COUNCIL**

**RECORD OF DECISION OF THE STRATEGIC PLANNING,  
SUSTAINABILITY AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE**

Decision Made: 14 July 2015

**MBLP POLICY DM11 OPEN SPACE AND RECREATION**

**Issue for Decision**

To consider the amended Policy DM11 relating to open space and recreation, to include new open space standards.

**Decision Made**

- 1) That the proposed Open Space Standards for inclusion in Policy DM11 of the Maidstone Borough Local Plan for Regulation 18 consultation be approved;
- 2) That the amendments to Policy DM11 and supporting text for Regulation 18 Consultation be approved subject to:
  - (a) further amendments to the supporting text in relation to small sites of less than 0.1 of a hectare, where no open space is being provided and it can be proven that none can be provided, the relationship between structural landscaping and open space be considered and that there should be significant structural landscaping to compensate for the non-provision of open space; and
  - (b) that the definition as set out in paragraph 11.54 (b) of the Policy be broadened and no preference be indicated for limited companies.

**Background Papers**

None

Should you wish to refer this decision to Policy and Resources Committee, please submit a Decision Referral Form, signed by three Councillors, to the Head of Finance and Resources by: 23 July 2015
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