

Record of Officer's Decision

The Openness of Local Government Bodies Regulations 2014 and the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012

Date of Decision:	30 September 2025
Decision Maker (Officer):	Gary Guiver
Authority for Delegated Decision (Cabinet/Committee Decision or Scheme of Delegation – provide reference):	Part 3, Schedule 3 – Responsibility for Executive Functions delegated to Officers paragraph 4.3 (1) – the Corporate Director has delegated authority to discharge executive functions within their respective service areas (Part 3.38). All delegations are subject to consultation where considered appropriate in the circumstances (paragraph 4.3 (4)(ii) – Part 3.39).
Identify which Portfolio Holder(s)/Committee Chairman consulted?	Concurrence has been obtained in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Housing & Planning, Cllr. A Baker.
Ward Member(s) consulted?	No
Is it a Key Decision?	No
Is it subject to call-in?	No
Decision Made:	To formally respond to the Dedham Vale National Landscape and Stour Valley Management Plan public consultation
Reason for Decision (if a report was produced to support the Decision, refer to or attach it):	As part of the AONB is located in Tendring District, the Council has been involved in the preparation of a Management Plan for the Area. This stage represents the formal public consultation that the Council was invited to respond to.
Highlight any associated risks/finance/legal/equality considerations:	

NEW : Details of Local Government Reorganisation and/or Devolution considerations	The decision to submit a representation has no direct impacts on Local Government Reorganisation (LGR). However, the period covered by the updated Management Plan, once adopted, extends beyond the proposed date for LGR and will continue to be referred to by a future Unitary Authority.	
Details of any Alternative Options Considered and rejected (together with reasons):	1. Submit a formal consultation response to the Management Plan. 2. Do not submit a response. This option would limit the Council's influence in shaping the Management Plan and reduce its ability to effectively represent local views and priorities.	
Details of any declarations of interest (by Portfolio Holder/Committee Chairman who was consulted by the officer, which related to the decision) If relevant, a note of the dispensation granted by the Monitoring Officer:	N/A	
Reason Decision, or supporting Report, is not published: <i>Tick one or more of the specific exemptions,</i> <u>and</u> <i>Give more information in the final box with regards to why the exemption applies and outweighs the public interest test (which is in favour of disclosure).</i>	☒	Not applicable
	If Report is not to be published – tick one of the following boxes:	
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Officers

Signed: Gary Guiver
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Title: Corporate Director (Planning and

Signed: Paul Woods

Title: Planning Policy Team Leader

In consultation with: Cllr. A. Baker

Dated: 30 September 2025