

**Adopted Local Plan and Regional Plan
Report by John Blair, Director, Resources****1 Purpose of Report**

The purpose of this report is to bring to the Cabinet's attention a recommendation from the Performance Review and Scrutiny Committee in relation to the Adopted Local Plan and the Regional Plan

2 Background

2.1 On 4 September 2013 the Performance Review and Scrutiny Committee considered a performance report in respect of Planning and Development. Amongst the issues debated were the progress with the Adopted Local Plan and the Regional Plan. In this regard the Committee's attention was drawn to recently reported statements by the Minister for Local Government and Planning, to the effect that in the event that sufficient land was not made available for new housing to satisfy developer demand, that he would direct Councils to make such land available.

2.2 The Committee accordingly agreed to recommend to the Cabinet that the Minister be advised that Midlothian Council has already made provision within the Adopted Local Plan based on the Housing Demands and Needs Analysis and as such the Council see no need to allocate any additional land for this purpose in Midlothian either in the Regional Plan or in the Local Plan.

3 Report Implications**3.1 Resource**

There are no resource implications arising from this report.

3.2 Risk

There are no risk implications arising from this report.

3.3 Single Midlothian Plan and Business Transformation

Themes addressed in this report:

- ☐ Community safety
- ☐ Adult health, care and housing
- ☐ Getting it right for every Midlothian child
- ☐ Improving opportunities in Midlothian
- ☐ Sustainable growth
- ☐ Business transformation and Best Value
- ☐ None of the above

3.4 Impact on Performance and Outcomes

Not applicable

3.5 Adopting a Preventative Approach

Not applicable

3.6 Involving Communities and Other Stakeholders

It has not been considered necessary to consult on the terms of this report.

3.7 Ensuring Equalities

Not applicable

3.8 Supporting Sustainable Development

Not applicable

3.9 IT Issues

Not Applicable

4 Recommendation

The Cabinet is invited to consider the recommendation of the Performance Review and Scrutiny Committee

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- ☐ *All other report implications have been addressed.*
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