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RSHOT TOWN CENTRE USES STUDY

1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1. This report provides an update on the Aldershot Town Centre Uses Study that was commissioned by the Council in December 2019 to provide evidence to support an updated Strategy for Aldershot Town Centre. This report will be summarised in a presentation and circulated in final form following the meeting.

2. BACKGROUND AND CONTEXT

- 2.1. To support the Council's regeneration aspirations for Aldershot town centre and to reflect changes that have occurred since the preparation of the Aldershot Town Centre Prospectus SPD (adopted 2016), the Council has committed to preparing an updated Strategy for Aldershot Town Centre.
- 2.2. In December 2019 the Council appointed Consultants Lambert Smith Hampton to produce an Aldershot Town Centre Uses Study. The study will provide evidence to enable the Council to determine the likely level of need for retail, office, cultural and leisure floorspace in Aldershot Town Centre from the current baseline looking ahead, five, ten years and beyond. The forecasts will take account of the development proposed both within the town centre and beyond (including Wellesley) to advise how demographic changes associated with development of this scale are likely to influence demand.
- 2.3. The Study is being produced in two parts, with the first part of the study (the detailed evidence base) is just being finalised and the second part of the study that the evidence will inform due to commence in the near future.

3. RECOMMENDATION

- 3.1. The Policy and Projects Advisory Board is asked to consider the presentation of the first part of the Aldershot Town Centre Uses Study and provide their views on how this should inform the development of the Town Centre Strategy.

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