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## **CABINET STATEMENT**

**TITLE: DRAFT LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN**

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The purpose of this brief statement is to encourage everyone to engage with the consultation with Members over the draft Local Development Plan. This week, Members will have received a letter explaining the process through which they can comment on the Draft Plan and proposed lists of Approved and Rejected Candidate Sites as well as inviting them to a series of workshops.

The draft LDP document is a result of the work carried out since the public consultation period on the Preferred Strategy, which took place during January and February 2007.

Members will be aware that the LDP is a very important exercise for Rhondda Cynon Taf. It will provide the development strategy and policy framework for the County Borough over a fifteen year period from 2006 until 2021. The Plan will be used to guide and control development, providing a basis for consistent and appropriate decision-making.

It is likely that Members will have comments that they wish to make about the Plan and it is therefore important that they submit these in the appropriate way and use the workshops that Officers are providing to clarify any elements of the Plan in which they have a keen interest.

I will not go into any further detail as the correspondence contains the information in full. I urge Members to take this opportunity to have their input into the Plan, which will subsequently be issued for full public consultation.