Timeline of key milestones to delivery

October 2018	Local Plan Preferred Options Consultation closes	
January 2019	Report on Preferred Options consultation results to Councillors Commission consultants to produce masterplan	
1 April 2019	New Dorset Council unitary authority established	
2 May 2019	Elections to new Dorset Council	
Summer 2019	Decision on progression of Local Plans across Dorset – 2 options	
	Option 1 – Draw together existing Local Plan review work to develop a new Dorset-wide Local Plan.	Option 2 – Continue with emerging Local Plan reviews to adoption.

Option 1 – Produce Dorset-wide Local Plan		
Winter 2020	Regulation 18 consultation	
Summer 2020	Pre-submission (Regulation 19) consultation	
Winter 2021	Examination	
Summer 2021	Adoption	
Summer 2021	First planning applications submitted on North Dorchester site	
Summer 2022	Development commences	
Early 2023	First homes completed	

Option 2 – Continue with current West Dorset, Weymouth & Portland Local Plan review		
Summer 2019	Pre-submission (Regulation 19) consultation	
Winter 2020	Examination	
Summer 2020	Adoption	
Summer 2020	First planning applications submitted on North Dorchester site	
Late 2021	Development commences	
Mid 2022	First homes completed	