

POLICY AND PROJECTS ADVISORY BOARD

23 JANUARY 2019

UPDATE FROM POLICY AND PROJECT ADVISORY BOARD SUB-GROUPS

1. PROGRESS GROUP

- 1.1. The Progress Group have agreed their terms of reference. The Progress Group are responsible for co-ordinating and planning the Board's overall work programme, developing agendas for future Board meetings, tracking progress on Groups appointed by the Board, and preparing terms of reference, expected outcomes and timescales as appropriate for new Groups appointed by the Board.
- 1.2. The Progress Group has met between Board meetings and discussed items to include on the agenda. A number of the items discussed have been included on the Board agenda throughout the year including Leisure Facilities and Contracts, Aldershot Town Centre Strategy, Health, Wellbeing and Obesity, Local Housing Company and Regeneration.
- 1.3. There have been other issues raised as possible agenda items:
 - Budget Strategy/Medium Term Financial Strategy - will continue to monitor and put on agenda if Board input required
 - Supplementary Planning Documents, in particular saturation of takeaways in the Borough – it was agreed that the Strategic Housing and Local Plan Group would look at the SPDs.
 - Energy Strategy, Asset Management Strategy, Procurement, Social Value and Civic Society – details from officers sought to identify if any work currently underway in these areas and if any involvement required from the Board
- 1.4. Issues that will be covered by the Progress Group at future meetings and are included on the work programme include the Fair Funding consultation, the strategy for future investment in relation to playgrounds in the Borough and Rushmoor Development Partnership Business Plan. Other consultation documents will be reviewed by the Progress Group and brought to the Board as they arise during the year, if required.

2. Strategic Housing and Local Plan Group

- 2.1. The Strategic Housing and Local Plan Group has met twice since its inception, in July and November 2018.
- 2.2. Subject matters discussed so far include:
 - Update on the preparation of the Rushmoor Local Plan and feedback on the Main Modifications Consultation
 - Information regarding the appointment of the Thames Basin Heaths Special Protection Area Project Officer
 - Update on the implementation of the Housing and Homelessness Strategy
 - Discussion around the commencement of the preparation of a Green Infrastructure Strategy for the Borough

- Overview of the implications of the new National Planning Policy Framework and Guidance
- Presentation on the Housing Delivery Test and Five-year housing land supply update
- Discussion on the Council's response to the Social Housing Green Paper

2.3. A programme of further meetings, with indicative subject matters to be discussed, has been agreed with the Group for the period January to July 2019.

Date of meeting	Item(s)
30 th January 2019	Adoption of the Rushmoor Local Plan
	Work planning exercise for the team, including SPDs
	Affordable Housing Delivery Supplementary Planning Document
	Biodiversity Net Gain response to Government consultation
	Update on the implementation of SGC SANG
	Housing and Homelessness Strategy Update
27 th March 2019	Progress on SPA Project Officer work streams
	Green Infrastructure Strategy progress update
	Update on Self-Build and Custom-Build obligations and progress
	Net Gain for Biodiversity and Green Infrastructure SPD
	Revision to the Statement of Community Involvement
	Conservation Area Reviews
4 th June 2019	Update to the Gypsy and Traveller Accommodation Assessment
	Householder Design Guidance Supplementary Planning Document
16 th July 2019	What next for CIL in Rushmoor?
	Update on implementation of SGC SANG
	Housing and Homelessness Strategy Update

3. Leisure Facilities & Contracts Task and Finish Group

3.1. A meeting of the Leisure Facilities & Contracts Task and Finish Group has been convened for 12th February 2018. At the first meeting Members will be advised of the process and then asked to agree the role they will play in the process going forward.

4. Rushmoor 2020 Task and Finish Group

4.1. The first meeting of the Rushmoor 2020 Task and Finish Group is being held on 23 January. The first meeting will look at the progress of ongoing and completed projects and discuss the ten-year vision and three-year Council Business Plan. The Group will also be asked to develop an approach to engage with residents and businesses on the ten-year vision and agree communications on the Rushmoor 2020 programme with Members.

5. Elections Group

5.1. The Elections Group appointed Cllr John Woolley as Chairman and met in August and November 2018. The Group received the web statistics following the election in May 2018, which showed that the website had mainly been accessed for information on candidates and Election Day results. The Group was updated on the 2018 election and Members were given the opportunity to raise any issues. New developments in electoral administration were discussed including voter ID in polling stations and changes to the canvass process. The Group was provided with a presentation from the Electoral Services Review Team to hear about how the process might be updated and changed moving forward.

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