Policy and Project Advisory Board Briefing note – Updates October, 2020

1. Farnborough Civic Centre (KE)

Members were invited to a virtual placemaking workshop which was designed to provide them with the opportunity to further develop key principles for the Civic Quarter that will be taken forward into RIBA Stage 2 of the masterplanning work being undertaken by the Rushmoor Development Partnership (RDP). The outcome of this workshop identified 16 emerging priorities that are intended to be used to articulate member aspirations for the Civic Quarter site going forward. These priorities were be considered by the Policy and Project Advisory Board (PPAB) on the 15th July 2020 and confirmed by Cabinet in Q2. PPAB also commissioned some learning seminars open to all members of the Council to cover;

- a) Sustainable transport (seminar held in September.)
- b) Sustainable design options and changing sustainability requirements,
- c) Housing led developments
- d) Reinventing the town/high street

Key learning points and findings from these seminars would be brought together by officers in a single policy paper to be considered by PPAB and the Climate Change and Recovery Task and Finish Groups. Recommendations would then go on to inform a final report that would be brought before Cabinet for approval in Q4 to inform detailed phases of the Civic Quarter development.

A demolition contractor has been procured and work to demolish Elles Hall Community Centre site has commenced. The Rushmoor Development Partnership has commissioned the next stage of masterplanning and has reviewed the timetable for the submission of the masterplan with a view to the planning application being submitted in June 2021.

2. Violence and Work Charter (KE)

Nothing to Report at this time.

3. Rowhill and Southwood Management Plans (TM)

Rowhill Management Plan - final draft and just undergoing review. It will be presented to PPAB in November, 2020 prior to going to Cabinet in December, 2020.

Southwood Management Plan - still to be completed and would expect to be able to present it to PPAB in January, 2021 with it going to Cabinet in February or March, 2021.

4. HomelessnessStrategies (JD/SH)

It was noted that the strategy is currently out to consultation and a further update would be given after the consultation period.