# POLICY AND PROJECT ADVISORY BOARD WORK PROGRAMME

The purpose of the work programme is to plan, manage and co-ordinate the ongoing activity and progress of the Council's Policy and Project Advisory Board, incorporating policy development work carried out through working groups.

GROUP	MEMBERSHIP 2020/21	CURRENT POSITION	CONTACT
Elections Group	Cllrs P.I.C. Crerar, A.R. Newell (Cabinet Member with responsibility for electoral issues) S.J. Masterson (Chairman of Licensing, Audit and General Purposes Committee), C.J. Stewart (Vice-Chairman of PPAB), T.D. Bridgeman and K. Dibble, T.W. Mitchell Chairman: Cllr C. Stewart	At the October meeting, the Group considered comments/suggestions from the polling districts/stations consultation. Other updates included, the current canvass and the Electoral Services redesign work. At its meeting in January, the recommendations following the consultation on polling districts/stations were reviewed. The report included comments from members of the public and input from meetings held with Ward Members. The Licensing Audit and General Purposes Committee approved the Group's recommendations at its meeting on 25th January, 2021.	Andrew Colver, Head of Democracy, Strategy and Partnerships, Tel: (01252) 398820, andrew.colver@rushmoor.gov.uk
		At the February meeting it was noted that HNL letters would be delivered to all household before 6th May, confirming those registered and promoting postal voting. Some changes would be made to polling stations following guidance to avoid using schools on polling day.	

#### (A) CURRENT WORKING GROUPS APPOINTED BY THE POLICY AND PROJECT ADVISORY BOARD

### March 2021

GROUP	MEMBERSHIP 2020/21	CURRENT POSITION	CONTACT
Strategic Housing and Local Plan Group To steer the development of the Local Plan and monitor updates to the Housing and Homelessness Strategy	Cllrs P.I.C. Crerar (As V- C of PPAB), D.E. Clifford (Leader of the Council), T.W. Mitchell, Marina Munro (Cabinet Member with responsibility for the Local Plan), P. Cullum, C.J. Stewart, C.P. Grattan and M.J. Roberts Chairman: Cllr P.I.C. Crerar	<ul> <li>During the last Municipal Year, the Group have received updates in a number of areas, including: <ul> <li>Housing delivery</li> <li>Rough sleepers strategy</li> <li>Draft Infrastructure and Developer Contributions SPD</li> <li>Conservation Area Reviews</li> <li>Changes to the Planning System (Government Consultation)</li> <li>Planning White Paper (Government Consultation)</li> <li>Waverley Local Plan Part 2</li> <li>Site Allocations and Development Management Policies</li> <li>Pre-Submission Consultation</li> <li>Permitted Development Right Consultation</li> </ul> </li> <li>Rough Sleepers Consultation/Strategy - December 2020 Note - there was a poor response to the consultation, but those that responded were supportive of the approach proposed by the Council. The next steps would be to present the Strategy to the Cabinet for approval.</li> </ul>	Tim Mills Head of Planning Tel: (01252) 398790 tim.mills@rushmoor.gov.uk Anna Lucas Principal Planning Officer Zoe Paine Strategy and Enabling Manager (Housing)

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Leisure Facilities and Contracts	ClIrs J. B. Canty (as Chairman of PPAB), Sue Carter, Mara Makunura, T.W. Mitchell, C.J. Stewart, C.P. Grattan and Sophie Porter Chairman: tbc	<ul> <li>The Group met on 14th September when an update on current working arrangements and the contract situation was given. Negotiations continued with Places Leisure for the period after the current contract is due to expire with on 31 March 2021. Over the period of negotiations, under government instruction to reduce the transmission of Coronavirus, indoor leisure facilities remained closed.</li> <li>On the 23rd February, 2021 the Cabinet resolved that:</li> <li>the ongoing closure of the Farnborough Leisure Centre at the end of the existing contract, be approved</li> <li>the option to enter into a short term contract with Places for People Leisure to operate the Aldershot Indoor Pools Complex, be approved.</li> </ul>	James Duggin Head of Operational Services Tel: (01252) 398543 james.duggin@rushmoor.gov.uk

GROUP	MEMBERSHIP 2020/21	CURRENT POSITION	CONTACT
Transformation Task and Finish Group (formerly Rushmoor 2020 Modernisation and Improvement Programme)	Cllrs J.B. Canty, K.H. Muschamp (as Cabinet Member with responsibility for this area of work), Sophia Choudhary, P.J. Cullum, Gaynor Austin and Sophie Porter (plus one Liberal Democrat vacancy) Chairman: Cllr. J.B. Canty	<ul> <li>The Group met on 12th October 2020, when updates were provided on the ICE Programme and People Strategy. A demonstration on the new CRM system was also provided.</li> <li>A meeting of the Group was held on 7th December 2020 to discuss the website and telephony projects which are both part of the ICE Programme.</li> <li>At the meeting on 13th January 2021, a general update was given on the ICE Phase 2</li> <li>Programme. Detailed reports were also given on the New Ways of Working Project (Realising Benefits) and the Microsoft Windows 10 Rollout Project, both part of the ICE Programme.</li> </ul>	Karen Edwards, Executive Director Tel: (01252) 398800 <u>karen.edwards@rushmoor.gov.uk</u>

## (B) OTHER ISSUES/MATTERS FOR THE WORK PROGRAMME

ISSUE	DETAILS	CONTACT DETAILS		
	REGENERATION			
Aldershot Town Centre Strategy	An update was provided at the June, 2020 meeting on Part 1 of the Town Centre Uses Study. A further presentation was provided for the meeting on 7th October, 2020 on the revisions to the Aldershot Transition and Recovery Plan and an update on activities in both Town Centre was shared at the November 2020 meeting.	Tim Mills Head of Economy, Planning and Strategic Housing Tel. (01252) 398542 <u>tim.mills@rushmoor.gov.uk</u>		
Regeneration Consultation and Policy	At the meeting in June 2020 it was agreed not to progress the establishment of the task and finish group. It was felt that sustainability and regeneration issues would be better dealt with by all Member briefings/consultations. The Board will play a role in reviewing the policy document that will be produced following the programme of seminars on regeneration and sustainability issues. An all Member Seminar was held on 10th December, 2020. The Seminar provided an update on the Regeneration Programme and further updates will be provided via the Quarterly Monitoring which can be found <u>here</u> .	Karen Edwards, Executive Director Tel: (01252) 398800 <u>karen.edwards@rushmoor.gov.uk</u> Paul Brooks Head of Regeneration and Property Tel: (01252) 398544 <u>paul.brooks@rushmoor.gov.uk</u>		
	ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY			
Rowhill and Southwood Management Plans	The Rowhill Management Plan was presented to the Board at its meeting on 25th November, 2020. The Southwood Management Plan will be presented at the meeting on 24th March.	Tim Mills Head of Economy, Planning and Strategic Housing Tel. (01252) 398542 <u>tim.mills@rushmoor.gov.uk</u>		

Byelaws Review – Aldershot and District Military LandsPending publication of a consultation on the Byelaws Review of Aldershot and District Military Lands, the Chairman has requested that this issue be placed on the work programme.		
	DEPRIVATION HEALTH AND WELLBEING	
Deprivation and Wellbeing Strategy	Following a presentation given on Covid-19 Recovery at the meeting on 15 <sup>th</sup> July 2020, it has been decided to amalgamate the work area of Health, Wellbeing and Obesity with that of Indices of Multiple Deprivation under the heading of Deprivation and Wellbeing Strategy.	Andrew Colver Head of Democracy, Strategy and Partnerships Tel: (01252) 398820 andrew.colver@rushmoor.gov.uk
	An update was given at the October, 2020 meeting. A workshop was held after the main meeting to agree the main themes, which areas of the Borough will the work focus on and actions that will make the most difference.	
	The draft Supporting Communities Strategy and Action Plan was presented at the meeting on 25th November, 2020. The Strategy was approved by the Cabinet on 19th January, 2021.	
Strategy for Future Investment in Relation to Playgrounds within the Borough		
End Violence at Work Charter	An update was given at the Board at its meeting on 15th July, 2020. Organisations that have signed up to the Charter can be found <u>here</u> .	Karen Edwards, Executive Director Tel: (01252) 398800 <u>karen.edwards@rushmoor.gov.uk</u>

	OTHER MATTERS	
Black Lives Matter	In August, 2020 the Board held a special meeting to discuss the Black Lives Matter (BLM) Motion. At the meeting it was agreed that a Peer Review Challenge would take place. The Local Government Association (LGA), who will be leading the Review, will be looking at how well the Council is placed to address the issues raised in the Motion and how it can then lead by example and influence the wider business community. The review will take place on 19th and 20th January, 2021. A report would be provided on the outcomes of the Peer Review at the March, 2021 meeting.	Rachel Barker, Assistant Chief Executive <u>rachel.barker@rushmoor.gov.uk</u>

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## AGENDA PLANNING – 2020-2021

24 March 2021	<ul> <li>BLM LGA Peer Review – Report (RB)</li> <li>Corporate Plan – Resilience and Recovery Plan (RB)</li> <li>Southwood Woodland Management Plan (TM/DS)</li> </ul>
Items to be rescheduled	

# **PROGRESS GROUP MEETINGS**

Membership: Cllrs J.B. Canty (Chairman), P.I.C. Crerar (Vice-Chairman), C.J. Stewart (Vice-Chairman), P.J. Cullum, M.J. Roberts, Nadia Martin and T.W. Mitchell

	Leisure facilities	It was noted that negotiations were still ongoing. Further updates would be provided as appropriate.
16	HCC Budgets	This item was raised as a concern for the Council and the impacts it may have going forward – This item would be referred to the Budget Strategy Working Group in the first instance.
December 2020	Climate Change Strategy	It was noted that a number of Government White Papers were expected soon, covering this area and the need to incorporated key areas within the Strategy. The Strategy was a fluid document and could be amended to addresses changing needs moving forward.
	LGA Peer Review	It was noted that the LGA would be setting the context for the review and providing questions in advance of the Review taking place on 19-20 January.
	Resilience and Recovery Programme post C-19	consider how we monitor the fallout, in particular from retail and youth unemployment. Service workshops happening to review priorities post C-19 – the need to be flexible with priorities.
24 February 20201	Masterplan/Civic Quarter	KE to provide a schedule of the planned work to help inform the Work Plan.
	Leisure Facilities	An update was given on the outcomes of the recent Cabinet meeting which considered the future of the Borough's leisure facilities – this issue would be revisited at the next meeting of the Progress Group.
FUTURE MEETINGS	<ul> <li>Litter Enforcement Strategy</li> <li>Medium Term Financial Strategy/Budget Strategy</li> <li>Fair Funding consultation</li> <li>Rushmoor Development Partnership – Site Appraisals</li> <li>Income Crisis – policy development</li> <li>Commercial Investment Strategy</li> <li>Follow-up on Department of Transport Letter on Heathrow Southern Rail Link (end 2020/beg 2021)</li> </ul>	