

## Appendix A10 Q2 – STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIPS

### Key Activities

**Roll out the "Wight we Want" public engagement programme to underpin area based social regeneration activities covering the whole Island**

*Further area workshops held in September to consider the draft regeneration strategy resulted in larger and more age diverse involvement by local communities. Area project groups continue to progress along with proactive liaison on regeneration issues with local town and parish councils.*

**Work with partners and key stakeholders to organise and deliver an annual digital conference to promote the island's connectivity and showcase the opportunities available to business on the island**

*Development of a focus and programme for the second Digital Island conference to be held on 15 November 2018.*

*Programme support for implementation of the Digital Island framework has been commissioned and specific activity around health and social care data sharing and digital skills are progressing.*

**Work with the Island's MP to continue to press the unique 'Island Case' with government and ensure its recognition in the outcomes of the 'fair funding review' of local authority services**

*The council has supported the MP in a recent meeting with the Minister for health to discuss issues in relation to cross Solent travel and is in dialogue with the MP about securing more appropriate housing for the Island's community in the context of the revised National Planning Policy Framework. The local government finance settlement is due on 6 December and further opportunities for a dialogue with government will follow its publication.*

**Work with government and local partners to secure, where possible, the local control of central powers to the benefit of the Island and its community.**

*The government has indicated it is developing a revised framework for the transfer of central powers to local organisations, but with no indication on timescales for the publication of the framework.*

**Work with local partners and key stakeholders to develop a case for government for integrated working across all of the public services on the Isle of Wight enabling the delivery of 'One Island: One Public Service', sustainable services based on the needs of the community.**

*The recently revised Hampshire and Isle of Wight (HIOW) Sustainability and Transformation Plan/Programme (STP) was endorsed by the Health and Wellbeing Board and the council's Cabinet. It endorses the need for the development of a local integrated health system/partnership based around the Local Care Board. Work is ongoing to identify the key elements of the health and care strategy that would inform the work of the system/partnership.*

**Work with partners and key stakeholders to deliver a youth conference to increase the council's connections to young people and promote local wellbeing opportunities**

*Following on from the Islands Regeneration Conference for Young People that was attended by over 120 people, work has continued to highlight the activity being undertaken across the island's regeneration. This includes the Annual Regeneration Conference in July where the Council launched its new 'Regeneration Strategy 2018-30', which included a Regeneration Summer Exhibition displaying the ideas and visions for the island which have been put together by young people, including students from Portsmouth School of Architecture and proposals created by young people who attended the Youth Conference. Due to the success of the event and follow up work, a task and finish group is planning further activities to gather the views of young people relating to the future growth of the island, with early plans for another conference event in 2019.*

**Liaise with and represent the views and needs of the Island's rural community in informing the council's activities**

*A Rural business engagement event was held on 1 October 2018 to secure comments on the draft Island regeneration strategy. The meeting was attended by 25 businesses and included presentations from the National Farmers' Union and Country Landowners' Association. A range of potential initiatives were discussed addressing rural business development and the group agreed to meet regularly to develop these in conjunction with the council.*

**Undertake an annual seminar with town and parish councils to identify, review and revise plans for closer collaboration, and to specifically consider local needs in respect of, transport, infrastructure and housing**

*With cabinet having been taken on the road, the opportunity for discussions with the Town and Parish Councils in the host areas has arisen.*