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Key Activities

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

Area project groups continue to progress along with proactive liaison on regeneration issues with local town and parish councils.

- East Medina East Cowes Esplanade improvements
- West Medina Cowes fountain yard transport improvement
- Bay Sandown Battery, Pier St toilets, Revetment renovations
- Newport Place plan projects including transport infrastructure improvements
- Ryde Theatre, Western Gardens, Upper High Street
- West Wight pastoral higher education offer, cycle link, GP appointments

Web Platform for ongoing engagement linked to publication of Regeneration strategy

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

- Digital Island strategy considered by cabinet on 13 June 2019
- Programme plan identifies priority projects timelines and resourcing
- Full business case for Innovation hub reporting June 2019
- Procurement for Local Full Fibre project June 2019 via Department for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport (DCMS) Dynamic Purchasing System (DPS) once scope and sites confirmed

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 government has specifically referred to the Island's unique circumstances in its technical consultation about the implementation of its fair funding review, which closed on 22 February 2019. The outcome of the review will not be known until December 2019.

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 not yet indicated any further opportunities for the local control of central powers, although the council continues to be part of a business rate retention pilot scheme with the cities of Portsmouth and Southampton and the potential benefits and risks associated with the government's housing deal programme is being investigated with partners

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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 (OPS)', sustainable services based on the needs of the community.

Blue Light Hub (BLH) – Fire have been appointed as the lead for the BLH project. A site visit to Havant will be arranged in due course. Feasibility and requirements are currently being scoped.

ICT Joint Services – One Public Service (OPS) Board Meeting was held on 8 March 2019 with the IOW NHS Trust and IWC service directors to sign off proposal to initiate project and was agreed by all attendees. Shared Data Centre is being progressed. Fibre connectivity is in place and has been tested between County Hall and the NHS Data Centre. Currently working with IBM consultants to plan the physical relocation of the servers. Project documentation has been drafted as far as possible.

Joint Resourcing – Template of potential joint resourcing areas is currently being explored. Joint Communications Director for Health and IWC has been appointed and was due to start on 13 May 2019. Joint Waste Management arrangements between IWC and the IOW NHS Trust is now in place.

Sandown Community Hub – Principles of land swap between IWC and MoD to provide additional car parking at the site has been agreed but requires finalising with third party land owner. The feasibility study has been concluded. A Rapid Rehousing (RRH) bid (Homelessness) has been submitted to Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government for the Sandown Civic Centre. Integrated Locality Services (ILS) relocated to a larger room within the Barrack Block in early May to allow for expansion of their service provision. Discussions for the future use(s) of the Barrack Block for ILS will need to be discussed between Health and IWC as part of the Health and Care Sustainability Plan priority workstreams.

Pyle Street Hub – Response received from Homes England to IWC-led Invitation to Tender submission. Homes England meeting with IWC and partner agencies including CCG, NHS and Housing Associations. Project Team has been identified. Programme Manager met with Cabinet Office OPE Lead and the Local Government Association (LGA) Director of OPE on 17 April 2019 to discuss the project and deliverables to help move the project forward.

Digitalisation Data – Sustainability and Transformation Partnership (STP) funded project in terms of shared records being scoped by Health ICT Lead. Scope and Project Plan not yet initiated and clear. Health ICT Lead currently leading on development but information to be clarified.

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

The 2019 IOW Youth Conference was held in March 2019 at Cowes Yacht Haven. The event was attended by 120 young people, experts and industry leaders and was focused on the future of higher education on the Island. Students were involved in an interactive exercise to design, market and brand a possible Isle of Wight Higher Education Campus

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

Small response to survey making conclusions/consensus difficult.

Further future engagement with rural community under review given requirement of rural input to Solent Local Industrial strategy

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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 continues.

