

CORPORATE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE – PROGRESS ON ACTIONS AND OUTCOMES 2021/22

Date	Item	Actions	Comments
13 July 2021	<p><u>Comments on other items due to be considered by the Cabinet on 15 July 2021</u></p>	<p><u>Ryde Transport Interchange Project Delivery</u> The Committee formally supported the recommendations in the report to Cabinet to enable the scheme to progress but there should be more effective engagement with all stakeholders including Ryde Town Council.</p> <p><u>Draft Island Planning Strategy Consultation</u> The Committee formally supported the proposals regarding the consultation and a task and finish group be established by this committee, to include councillors from the Policy and Scrutiny Committee for Neighbourhoods and Regeneration, to formulate a submission as part of the consultation process and this be reported to the Corporate Scrutiny Committee at its meeting on 7 September 2021 for approval.</p> <p><u>Contribution to development of Southampton City of Culture Bid 2025</u> The Committee welcomed the significant opportunity afforded by the Council's involvement and fully supported the proposed recommendation of Cabinet.</p>	<p>The Policy and Scrutiny Committee for Neighbourhoods and Regeneration considered this project at its meeting on 8 July 2021</p> <p>The Task and Finish Group will be meeting on 31 August 2021 with a view to reporting back to the committee at the 12 October 2021 meeting.</p> <p>The Policy and Scrutiny Committee for Neighbourhoods and Regeneration will be including a relevant item in its workplan to look at the Council's own heritage strategy.</p>
	<p><u>Forward Plan</u></p>	<p>The Committee was advised that the forward plan would be updated to include items relating to the Corporate Plan and the Climate Change Strategy. With regard to the questions asked at the 13 July 2021 meeting concerning the number of legal cases the response of the Strategic Manager of Legal Services and Deputy Monitoring Officer had been circulated to the Committee. The Cabinet Member for Strategic Finance, Transformational Change and Resources indicated actions that he was taking in respect of this matter. The Committee formally supported the actions of the Cabinet Member in seeking to :-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • optimise the use of the Council's Legal Services team, 	<p>The Committee will keep this issue under review.</p>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • correctly allocate external legal work for skills or capacity, and • maximise use of the Council's significant external discounts. 	
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	<u>Roles and Responsibilities of Southern Water in Dealing with Flooding</u>	<p>The actions being taken by Southern Water to alleviate instances of flooding were noted and supported.</p> <p>The Council, through its cabinet members and officers, continue to work closely with Southern Water particularly in relation to the development of major plans and strategies.</p>	<p>The Committee, together with the Policy and Scrutiny Committee for Neighbourhoods and Regeneration will include relevant items in their workplans when required.</p> <p>From the discussions of the Task and Finish Group on the Island Plan it appears that there is now a more effective channel of communication between the Council and Southern Water.</p>
	<u>Workplan 2021-22</u>	<p>The Committee's workplan was noted together with the scope of the proposed future items relating to a review of the Investment Strategy 2021/22 and Social Value in the Council's Procurement and Commercialisation Processes.</p> <p>Councillor Richard Quigley would be the lead member for the item relating to Social Value and a lead member would need to be identified for the Investment Strategy review.</p>	<p>The two items will need to be allocated dates when they should be included on a future agenda.</p> <p>A lead member for the Investment Strategy review still needs to be identified.</p>
	<u>Members Question Time</u>	<p>Councillor Quigley asked a question in relation to looking at new streams of income generation. The Chairman indicated that this could be included within the item on the commercialisation strategy due to be considered at the 12 October 2021 meeting.</p> <p>Councillor Stephens asked that if any member had any suggestions on how the information contained in the forward plan could be improved then they could contact him.</p>	<p>The strategy will be on the agenda for the 12 October 2021 meeting.</p> <p>Members are able to make suggestions on the format of the forward plan.</p>