

ENVIRONMENT OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY PANEL – 14 SEPTEMBER 2017

KEY ACTIONS AND SERVICE REVIEW PROGRAMME – UPDATE REPORT

1. INTRODUCTION & PURPOSE

- 1.1 The corporate plan included a delivery plan which set out a number of key actions and reviews to help contribute to the priorities set. The delivery plan was set out against the background of continued funding reductions and was updated to include reviews for 2017/18
- 1.2 This report provides an update on the work being undertaken as part of the regular monitoring of the delivery plan.

2. KEY DELIVERY ACTIONS AND SERVICE REVIEWS

- 2.1 The table set out key delivery actions and service reviews pertinent to the Environment Overview & Scrutiny Panel.

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Service Review and Terms of Reference		Progress Update
PH.1	Local Plan <i>Local plan consultation and draft submission for adoption</i>	In progress and an interim report will be received by Cabinet in September 2017.
PH.3	Building Control <i>Service delivery review of the Building Control service.</i>	Review is in progress and the direction of travel being determined.
PH.5	Planning Service <i>To review resources taking into account Housing White Paper and the Local Plan.</i>	Review is ongoing and now awaiting changes in guidance and legislation, including the white paper and fee setting, originally delayed as a result of the general election.
O.1	Waste & Recycling <i>Determine strategy including outcomes of the county wide Project Integra review</i>	A minor management restructure in waste and transportation has taken place and changes as a result of the review of bring banks have been implemented.
O.3	Enforcement Activity (Streetscene) <i>Identify opportunities for joining up enforcement activities of visible officers</i>	Review is underway and a management restructure has been undertaken. A further report will be received by EMT in November. A review of shift patterns has seen in an increase in enforcement activity.
O.5	Coastal <i>Ongoing identification and review of coastal schemes and funding arrangements</i>	Development of the application for funding of the Hurst Spit Recharge project has progressed significantly through the coastal team, along with input by the Environment Agency. The funding application (FRM7) will be submitted to the EA during September 2017, with a decision on approval expected by November 2017.

3.1 Savings arising from the reviews will directly contribute to the funding shortfall identified in the medium term financial plan. These have not yet been quantified for 2017/18.

3.2 Reviews will continue to be monitored and reported upon to ensure they are progressing and that objectives of the review are being met.

3. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

3.1 A clear focus of the reviews is continued financial responsibility with a view to easing funding pressures.

4. RECOMMENDATIONS

4.1 That the Environment Overview & Scrutiny Panel note the progress updates contained within this report.

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Background Papers

Annual Performance and Provisional Outturn
Report 2016/17 – Cabinet July 2017
Our corporate plan 2016-2020 Delivery Plan
Cabinet Report Feb 2016