

Environment and Regeneration Overview and Scrutiny Committee

Agenda

Date: Monday, 16th November, 2020

Time: 10.00 am

Venue: Virtual Meeting

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PART 1 – MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED WITH THE PUBLIC AND PRESS PRESENT

1. **Apologies for Absence**
2. **Minutes of the Previous Meeting** (Pages 3 - 10)

To give consideration to the minutes of the meeting held on 19 October 2020.

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3. **Declarations of Interest**

To provide an opportunity for Members and Officers to declare any disclosable pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests in any item on the agenda.

4. **Whipping Declarations**

To provide an opportunity for Members to declare the existence of a party whip in relation to any item on the agenda.

5. **Public Speaking/Open Session**

A total period of 15 minutes is allocated for members of the public to make a statement(s) on any matter that falls within the remit of the Committee.

Individual members of the public may speak for up to 5 minutes, but the Chairman will decide how the period of time allocated for public speaking will be apportioned, where there are a number of speakers.

Note: In order for officers to undertake any background research, it would be helpful if members of the public contacted the Scrutiny officer listed at the foot of the agenda, at least one working day before the meeting to provide brief details of the matter to be covered.

6. **Gypsy and Traveller Key Decision** (Pages 11 - 22)

To scrutinise the progression of the project, subject to planning and Cabinet approval, to enable the scheme to be developed in line with the capital budget and to scrutinise the construction contract with the preferred bidder for the delivery of the Cledford Hall project.

7. **Forward Plan** (Pages 23 - 36)

To give consideration to the Forward Plan.

8. **Work programme** (Pages 37 - 44)

To give consideration to the Environment and Regeneration Overview and Scrutiny Committee's Work Programme.

CHESHIRE EAST COUNCIL**Minutes of a meeting of the Environment and Regeneration Overview and Scrutiny Committee**

held on Monday, 19th October, 2020 Virtually.

PRESENT

Councillor JP Findlow (Chairman)
Councillor Q Abel (Vice-Chairman)

Councillors L Braithwaite, S Brookfield, J Buckley, A Farrall, P Groves, M Hunter, D Jefferay, C Leach and K Parkinson

ALSO PRESENT

Councillor Nick Mannion- Portfolio Holder for Environment and Regeneration
Councillor James Nicholas- Deputy Portfolio Holder for Transport and Highways

Frank Jordan, Executive Director of Place
Chris Hindle, Head of Strategic Infrastructure
Andrew Ross, Director of Infrastructure & Highways
Peter Skates, Director of Growth & Enterprise
Paul Bayley, Director of Environment and Neighbourhood Services
Nick Kelly, Environmental Protection Team Leader
Richard Hibbert, Head of Strategic Transport and Parking

22 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies of absence were received from Councillor Tony Dean.

The Committee noted the Portfolio Holder for Highways and Waste was unable to attend the meeting and so the Deputy Portfolio Holder for Transport and Waste, Councillor James Nicholas attended the meeting to update the Committee on her behalf.

23 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

RESOLVED-

That the minutes of the meeting 21 September 2020 be approved as a correct and accurate record.

24 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

25 WHIPPING DECLARATIONS

There were no declarations of the existence of a party whip.

26 PUBLIC SPEAKING/OPEN SESSION

Local Resident Richard Hamilton attended the meeting and made a statement relating to Air Quality Monitoring.

Richard noted that Cheshire East had introduced a horizontal distance adjustment to the air quality monitoring results for Nitrogen Dioxide to allow for the distance between the receptors and the face of buildings.

Richard requested assurance that the current air quality monitoring results and the reports to the Department for Environment, Farming and Rural Affairs (Defra), including the one to be approved today, include adjustments for both vertical displacements and density as well as horizontal displacements in order to provide a more accurate presentation of nitrogen dioxide pollution in the borough.

Paul Bayley, Director of Environment and Neighbourhood Services addressed the immediate concerns within the statement and advised that any further Air Quality matters would be addressed during the Air Quality item on the agenda.

RESOLVED-

That Richard be thanked for his attendance and statement at the meeting.

27 CREWE CENTRE REGENERATION

Frank Jordan, the Executive Director of Place introduced this item to the Committee.

The Committee heard that this paper outlined both the importance of Crewe at a national level, and what could be done to tackle longstanding issues related to health and economic outcomes for local population. The key measure of success for residents was to get the benefit of that.

Whilst the focus was on Crewe, there was emphasis on supporting the regeneration of the town centre to provide a package of intervention, ensuring strategic links, and support of other towns both for now and for the next 4-5 years.

Peter Skates, Director of Growth and Enterprise gave a presentation to the Committee.

Since the last update to this committee in February, a full business case had been submitted to the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government (MHCLG) an announcement was expected in November and if successful, a paper would be submitted to Cabinet to recommend accepting the grant.

The aspiration was to bring back in town living, to use car park sites for potential developments for living.

£760k accelerated funding was available provided it is invested by March 2021. That had been taken forward with the Ly2 Development and included physical enhancements to the square.

Peter explained the purpose of the report to this Committee was to note the Council was the accountable body to the Crewe Town Board and had delegated authority to the Portfolio Holder. Crewe Town Board was not a legal entity but

informally constituted. The Portfolio Holder, in consultation with the Executive Director of Place and approval of the Board would submit a Town Investment Plan to Government and submit a bid to the Towns Fund to Government.

Andrew Ross, Director of Infrastructure & Highways brought a presentation to update the Committee on connectivity into Crewe via HS2 and station regeneration.

The Committee was advised that Network Rail led a project to make Crewe station sufficient capacity to serve seven high speed trains per hour, increasing both size and scale of the station.

Government have commenced design refinement consultation.

In order to accommodate the size of the high speed trains coming to Crewe, there would need to be expanded platforms and a new access point on Weston Road. The Council had worked closely with Government and Network Rail on this aspect of the project.

There were plans to make enhancements to Nantwich Road that would provide a stronger link to Crewe Town Centre and access for all modes of transport- bus, taxi, pick up and drop off.

The Committee was advised of three imminent road junction improvements:

- 1) To the west of station (mill street, gresty road area) to improve area for pedestrians and cyclist;
- 2) The Weston road roundabout, to upgrade and make improvements to widen Weston road to 4 lanes; and
- 3) The Station access, Crewe arms roundabout and station access. A new road bridge link to south of station, would improve links for all modes.

A business case was submitted to Government at the end of February and the Council received correspondence from Government in May in favour of the project but the global pandemic had caused the need to reflect and review the basis of the business case.

The plan covered Local Plan strategic employment sites and extended into Cheshire West and Warrington. Further meetings had been arranged to review the revised proposition with indicative approval by November 2020.

The Committee was invited to ask any questions. There was some discussion on:

- The expectation of patronage on trains post-pandemic and how the business case is being driven on the delivery of the Local Plan;
- The acknowledgement of risk management and the expectation of 5-7 high speed trains an hour to serve Crewe, but until contracts had been signed, nothing was certain;
- The infrastructure Northern Rail were upgrading would facilitate 2 trains an hour to London in 55 mins. 20 mins to Manchester and less than 30 mins to centre of Birmingham;
- Acknowledgment that the Council would not want to miss an opportunity to support local growth;

- The recognition that the Bus Station in Crewe is deteriorating rapidly, and that there were conversations between the Bus Station and Arriva about the terms of their lease and looking at improvements. The new development included a Bus Station.
- A planning application would be submitted in spring for a multi storey and bus station as part of the leisure led retail scheme. The market at the moment is for leisure, for Crewe to become a desirable place in which to visit, thereby unlocking the visitor economy to the town;
- The paper did not commit to the Council to making significant investment or resources if Government don't approve business rate retention then the Council can adjust the scheme commensurate with the response given by Government;
- In terms of wider connectivity to the west of the County, Crewe North connection would enable the Liverpool services to come via Crewe. West Coast services, the 2 London fast services are to Liverpool, Transport for the North were working on the East-West Link from West Leg of Manchester to take a spur to Liverpool. There would be a high speed to Birmingham, Manchester and Leeds. In terms of Chester- there was some discussion about electrification from Crewe to Chester. The benefit of the longer platforms at Crewe station was the ability to split them and serve more destinations;
- There was some work ongoing with the Local Enterprise Partnership (LEP) to potentially reopen the Middlewich train line for local services. Working sub-regionally and locally on revised bus strategy for the borough to improve bus connectivity.

RESOLVED- That:

- a) Frank, Peter and Andrew be thanked for their attendance and presentations to the Committee;
- b) The recommendations within the report be noted and endorsed to Cabinet by this Committee.

28 TOWN DELIVERY PLANS AND RECOVERY PLAN / CAR PARKING PROPOSALS

Richard Hibbert, Team Manager for Strategic Infrastructure introduced this item to the Committee.

The Committee heard some background to the proposed consultations that had arisen from the adoption of the Local Transport Plan Strategy (in October 2019) which included a High Level Parking Strategy. The aim of the consultations was to engage with town, communities, Members and stakeholders to inform future direction. The aim of the consultations was to inform 11 delivery plans that flow from that strategy so local stakeholders can then shape that plan.

Richard acknowledged that the consultations were in progress during a time when there is a challenge to individuals however the mechanisms that would be used would take full account of the challenges of the pandemic.

There was a need to renew the parking strategy across the borough. The 11 delivery plans would have a broad geography with a focus on town centres and access to them with key connections to wider economic areas.

The consultation was being viewed as a chance to get right blend of transport in the right places with integrated transport programmes. Not all would be funded but there was an opportunity to inform future funding bids and bidding opportunities.

Peter Skates, Director of Growth and Enterprise addressed the Committee and advised that given the effects of the pandemic this year, the intention was to approach 9 of the 11 towns at the same time in Phase 1. Focus would be on infrastructure, pedestrian links and if more people are now working from home, this would mean less commuting traffic to conurbations such as Stoke and Manchester.

Wellbeing, lifestyle and mental health would be considered, plus how the public sector could bring in additional funding and encourage private sector funding.

Richard advised the Committee that Car Parking was a fundamental part of any transport plan for any borough.

At Cheshire East, the borough still operated public pay and display car parks that were a legacy from the 3 former councils with little change over last 10 years. This consultation looked to establish an appropriate Cheshire East approach.

Key themes would include:

- The role of car parking and access in town centres;
- The Level of charges across borough and harmonisation;
- Street parking; and
- How the Council Parking service might be further developed.

The Committee saw a range of car parking charges for the first hour of parking from neighbouring authorities, generally it was cheaper in the west, more expensive to the south.

The Committee were then shown a series of key questions that would be integrated as part of the consultation.

The Committee were advised that parking in residential areas as this was a nuisance problem in many areas and this would be something the consultation would address along with the opportunity to comment on provision of electric charging point and cycle parking, and contactless payments.

In terms of communication, this would include:

- hard copy plans in local libraries, and be geographically relevant to the area;
- A series of Microsoft Teams calls with stakeholder groups;

- A web-hosted consultation for each Town Plan with a set of objectives for each town that met all requirements as a means of consultation for diversity; and
- An 11 week consultation period starting early Nov 2020- finish mid Jan 2021. (Not including Christmas period).

The Committee were given the opportunity to ask questions and there was some discussion that included:

- The acknowledgement that those living in towns would have a different experience of consultation and driving into towns than those in rural areas, and therefore parity was needed;
- Promotion of the survey on car parks;
- The possibility of engaging Members with the steering groups for consultation;
- The possibility of an emissions based charging scale to acknowledge bigger vehicles are higher consuming in terms of emissions and promote cleaner vehicles or better choices about when and where to use a vehicle;
- The consultation was not about the proposals, but on the principles at present; and
- The importance of noting that harmonisation did not equate to standardisation.

RESOLVED- That:

- a) Richard and Peter be thanked for their attendance and presentation to the Committee;
- b) That the presentation be received and noted.

29 AIR QUALITY ANNUAL STATUS REPORT

Paul Bayley, Director for Environment and Neighbourhoods introduced this item to the Committee and Nick Kelly, Environmental Protection Team Leader, attended the meeting to provide the Committee with any further detail as required.

The Annual Status Report reported trends and potential strategies for improvement.

The Committee was advised that monitoring data showed that the air quality for Cheshire East continued to improve and that there were no recommendations for any new areas for control but does propose revocation of 3.

The Committee was invited to ask questions and there was some conversation that covered:

- Major causes of air pollution are caused by a number of contributing factors one of which was engine idling and slow moving hot engines;
- The Council were looking to reduce the environmental impact of its vehicle fleet;
- The impact of the global pandemic did not feature in the report, but data during the pandemic showed a drop in pollution;
- Diffusion tubes that measured the air quality needed to be out of reach of people;
- The report made reference to recent monitored traffic data not being available, Nick advised that the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs

(Defra) release traffic levels and the Council did not want to guess. However levels had been significantly below on this occasion;

- There was a query about why the Wilmslow/Altrincham scheme had been removed in February 2020;
- There had been a national trend that had shown air quality to drop.

RESOLVED- That:

- a) Paul be thanked for his attendance and presentation to the Committee;
- b) The contents of the report and presentation be received and noted;
- c) Nick Kelly provide feedback directly in respect of the Wilmslow/Altrincham scheme.

30 UNITED UTILITIES UPDATE

The Chairman advised the Committee that due to a late submission of their presentation, this had left no time for review or to establish factual accuracy, on this basis the item had been deferred.

RESOLVED-

That the item for United Utilities be brought as part of the evidence before the Task and Finish Group appointed to look at flooding, where this matter can be discussed in more detail.

31 FORWARD PLAN

The Committee considered the Forward Plan.

RESOLVED-

That the Forward Plan be received and noted.

32 WORK PROGRAMME

The Committee considered it's Work Programme.

The Chairman advised of two points of business:

- 1) On the basis that there had been a close succession of meetings recently where a number of Work Programme items had been covered, the Chairman proposed that the meeting for the 14th December should be cancelled; and
- 2) During the last Committee meeting of the 21 September, it was agreed that a Task and Finish Group would be formed from Members of this Committee to undertake an in-depth review of flooding and flood-risk management in Cheshire East. The following Members had volunteered to be part of the membership of this group:

Councillor Quentin Abel;
Councillor June Buckley;
Councillor Tony Dean;

Councillor Paul Findlow;
Councillor Peter Groves; and
Councillor Kate Parkinson.

RESOLVED-

That the meeting on the 14th December be cancelled; and that the Membership for the newly formed Task and Finish Group be endorsed by this Committee.

The meeting commenced at 10.00 am and concluded at 12.55 pm

Councillor JP Findlow (Chairman)

Karen Carsberg – **Head of Housing**
Dawn Taylor - **Manager Cheshire and**
Warrington Traveller Team

The development of a Gypsy and Traveller Transit site

Environment and Regeneration
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**The aim of
the
presentation
is to:**



Advise Members of the process taken so far to bring forward a transit site



Advise Members on the next steps



Consult Members on the recommendation to be put to Cabinet in December



Other Matters not related to specific Cabinet Decision



The submission of a planning application to be submitted for the site



To determine the allocation of the site under the SADPD

The development of a Gypsy and Traveller Transit site.

The presentation will cover 

- Assessing the need for a Gypsy and Traveller Transit site.
- Current levels of Unauthorised encampments
- The role of the Cheshire and Warrington Traveller Team
- Identifying a suitable site
- Next steps

Assessing the need for a Gypsy and Traveller Transit site

- **Requirements under the:**
 - Housing Act 2004
 - National Planning Policy Framework 2019
 - Planning Policy for Traveller Sites 2015for Local Authorities to identify accommodation needs for Gypsy and Travellers and Travelling Show people and to establish a five year land supply in order to address these needs
- Gypsy and Traveller Accommodation Assessment (GTAA) - updated in August 2018

Assessing the need for a Gypsy and Traveller Transit site

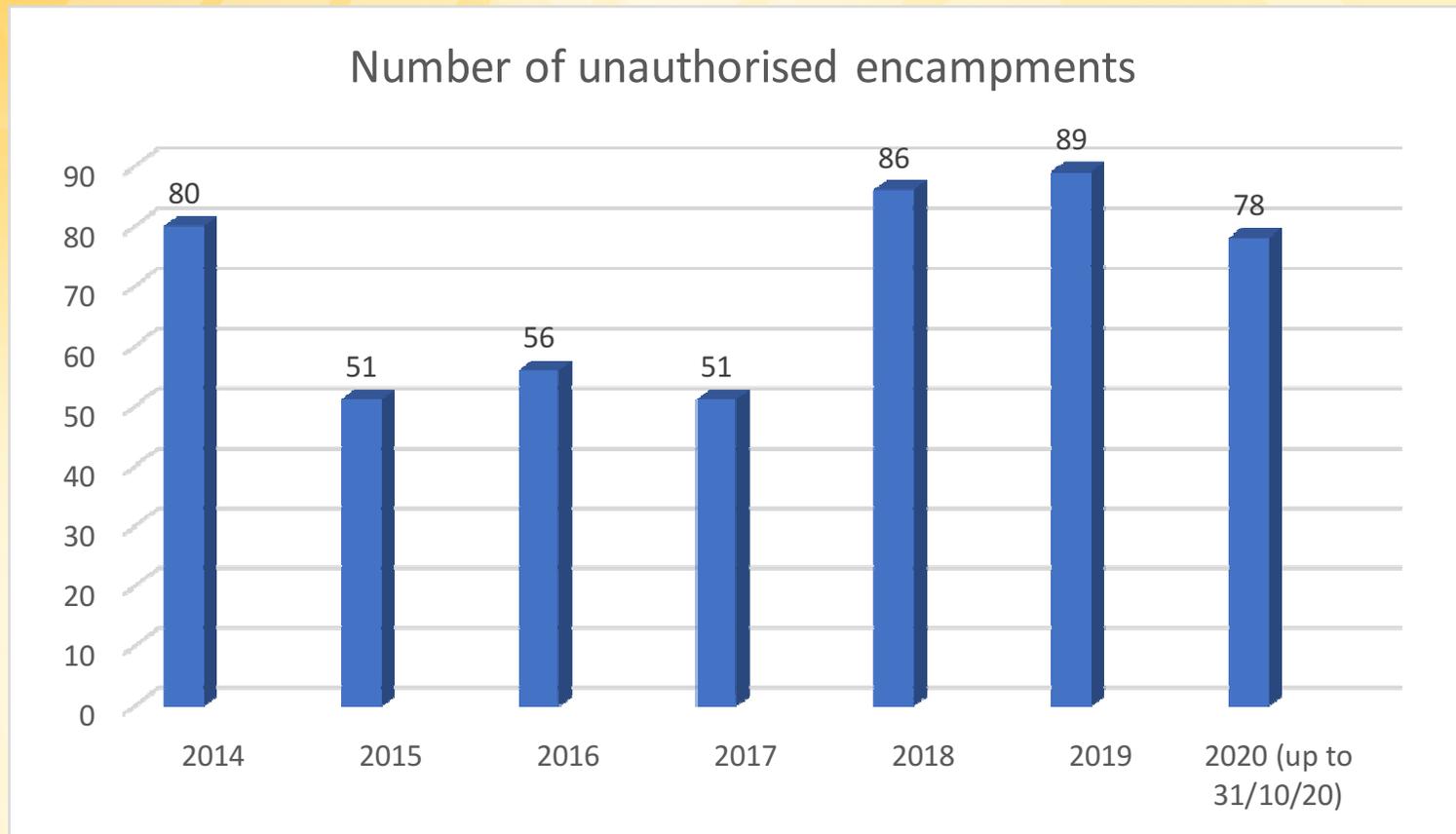
- GTAA identified the need for:

	Total
Gypsy and Traveller residential pitches	32
Transit site pitch provision	5-10
Travelling Showperson Plots	5

Unauthorised encampments

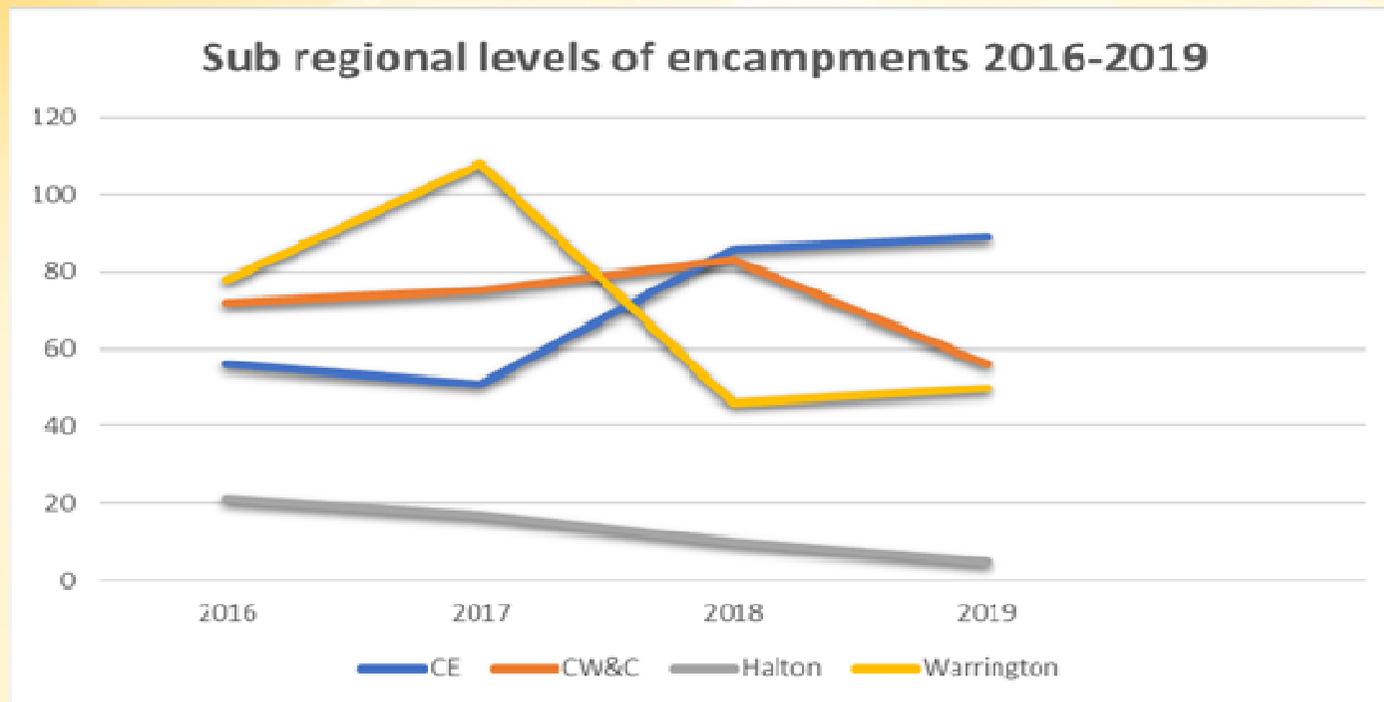
- Gypsy and Traveller culture is to travel – nomadic lifestyle
 - Work
 - Lack of Transit site provision leads to unauthorised encampments
 - Residing in unsafe, unhealthy environments at the roadside
 - Frequently asked questions -
https://www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/housing/strategic_housing/gypsies_and_travellers.aspx

Unauthorised encampments



The role of the Cheshire and Warrington Traveller Team

- Manage unauthorised encampments across the sub region



The role of the Cheshire and Warrington Traveller Team

G&T policy & strategy development

Manage unauthorised encampments
across the sub region

Manage council site provision

Raise awareness

Strategic Partnership

Identifying a suitable site – Cledford Hall, Middlewich

- Granted planning permission as a transit site in 2015, now expired
- Proposed allocation for 10 transit pitches in the Site Allocations and Development Policies Document (SADPD)
- Following Cabinet decision 6 October, the SADPD has been published for representations (Monday 26 October to 5pm Monday 7 December)
- Next stage after this will be the examination of the SADPD by a Planning Inspector in 2021
- The rationale for allocating the Cledford Hall site is set out in evidence accompanying the SADPD

Next steps towards the delivery of a Transit site

- Manchester and Cheshire Construction were appointed to undertake pre-construction services to carry out surveys, develop the design, prepare an application for Planning Permission and tender the work packages.
- Planning application is to be submitted December 2020.
- Cabinet report – December 2020 to seek approval to delegate authority to the Executive Director of Place in conjunction with the Portfolio Holder of Environment and Regeneration to award a construction contract to a preferred bidder should planning permission be granted.

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ANY QUESTIONS?





FORWARD PLAN FOR THE PERIOD ENDING 28TH FEBRUARY 2021

This Plan sets out the key decisions which the Executive expects to take over the period indicated above. The Plan is rolled forward every month. A key decision is defined in the Council's Constitution as:

“an executive decision which is likely –

- (a) to result in the local authority incurring expenditure which is, or the making of savings which are, significant having regard to the local authority's budget for the service or function to which the decision relates; or
- (b) to be significant in terms of its effects on communities living or working in an area comprising one or more wards or electoral divisions in the area of the local authority.

For the purpose of the above, savings or expenditure are “significant” if they are equal to or greater than £1M.”

Reports relevant to key decisions, and any listed background documents, may be viewed at any of the Council's Offices/Information Centres 5 days before the decision is to be made. Copies of, or extracts from, these documents may be obtained on the payment of a reasonable fee from the following address:

Democratic Services Team
Cheshire East Council
c/o Westfields, Middlewich Road, Sandbach Cheshire CW11 1HZ
Telephone: 01270 686472

However, it is not possible to make available for viewing or to supply copies of reports or documents the publication of which is restricted due to confidentiality of the information contained.

A record of each key decision is published within 6 days of it having been made. This is open for public inspection on the Council's Website, at Council Information Centres and at Council Offices.

This Forward Plan also provides notice that the Cabinet, or a Portfolio Holder, may decide to take a decision in private, that is, with the public and press excluded from the meeting. In accordance with the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012, 28 clear days' notice must be given of any decision to be taken in private by the Cabinet or a Portfolio Holder, with provision for the public to make representations as to why the decision should be taken in public. In such cases, Members of the Council and the public may make representations in writing to the Democratic Services Team Manager using the contact details below. A further notice of intention to hold the meeting in private must then be published 5 clear days before the

meeting, setting out any representations received about why the meeting should be held in public, together with a response from the Leader and the Cabinet.

The list of decisions in this Forward Plan indicates whether a decision is to be taken in private, with the reason category for the decision being taken in private being drawn from the list overleaf:

1. Information relating to an individual
2. Information which is likely to reveal the identity of an individual
3. Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including to authority holding that information)
4. Information relating to any consultations or negotiations, or contemplated consultations or negotiations, in connection with any labour relations matter arising between the authority or a Minister of the Crown and employees of, or office holders under the authority
5. Information in respect of which a claim to legal and professional privilege could be maintained in legal proceedings
6. Information which reveals that the authority proposes (a) to give under any enactment a notice under or by virtue of which requirements are imposed on a person; or (b) to make an order or direction under any enactment
7. Information relating to any action taken or to be taken in connection with the prevention, investigation or prosecution of crime

If you would like to make representations about any decision to be conducted in private at a meeting, please email:

Paul Mountford, Executive Democratic Services Officer
paul.mountford@cheshireeast.gov.uk

Such representations must be received at least 10 clear working days before the date of the Cabinet or Portfolio Holder meeting concerned.

Where it has not been possible to meet the 28 clear day rule for publication of notice of a key decision or intention to meet in private, the relevant notices will be published as soon as possible in accordance with the requirements of the Constitution.

The law and the Council's Constitution provide for urgent key decisions to be made. Any decision made in this way will be published in the same way.

Forward Plan

Key Decision and Private Non-Key Decision	Decisions to be Taken	Decision Maker	Expected Date of Decision	Proposed Consultation	How to make representation to the decision made	Private/ Confidential and paragraph number
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Key Decision	Decisions to be Taken	Decision Maker	Expected Date of Decision	Proposed Consultation	How to make representation to the decision made	Private/ Confidential and paragraph number
CE 19/20-53 - Crewe Regeneration and Investment Programme	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="360 395 680 944">1. <u>Towns Fund / Town Investment Plan / Crewe Town Board</u> To authorise officers in consultation with relevant Portfolio Holders to facilitate arrangements for the Council to act as Accountable Body for the Crewe Town Board; to delegate authority on economic development and regeneration matters to the Portfolio Holder for Environment and Regeneration; and to authorise the development and submission of a Crewe Town Investment Plan. <li data-bbox="360 976 680 1248">2. <u>Future High Streets Fund</u> To authorise officers in consultation with relevant Portfolio Holders to accept a government grant to support the regeneration of Crewe town centre, with associated financial approvals. <li data-bbox="360 1279 680 1576">3. <u>Crewe HS2 Hub</u> To consider an update on the HS2 programme including the Covid Impact Assessment for the Crewe hub station scheme and business case; and to approve the further development of the revised (post-Covid) scheme. 	Cabinet	10 Nov 2020		Jez Goodman	N/A

Key Decision	Decisions to be Taken	Decision Maker	Expected Date of Decision	Proposed Consultation	How to make representation to the decision made	Private/ Confidential and paragraph number
CE 20/21-7 Covid-19 - Update on Response and Recovery	<p>To receive an update report on the Council's response to Covid-19 and the Recovery Plan.</p> <p>To note the financial effects of Covid-19 on the Council, as regards additional expenditure and loss of income, and to consider the potential options for managing residual financial implications within the Council's Medium-Term Financial Strategy.</p> <p>An update report will be presented to each successive Cabinet meeting up to and including 4th May 2021.</p>	Cabinet	10 Nov 2020		Jane Burns, Executive Director of Corporate Services	N/A

Key Decision	Decisions to be Taken	Decision Maker	Expected Date of Decision	Proposed Consultation	How to make representation to the decision made	Private/ Confidential and paragraph number
CE 20/21-9 Household Waste Recycling Centre New Contract Service Provision	The household waste recycling centre contract is due for renewal in 2023 and the open procurement process will start in 2021. The report will present a review of the current contract and options available for how the service could be run in the future.	Cabinet	10 Nov 2020		Ralph Kemp, Corporate Manager for Commissioning	N/A
CE 20/21-10 Social Value Policy	The review and refresh of the Council's Social Value Policy. The new policy will be underpinned by a new set of supportive resources to facilitate the implementation of the policy and the delivery of effective social value and corporate social responsibility.	Cabinet	10 Nov 2020		Shelley Brough	N/A

Key Decision	Decisions to be Taken	Decision Maker	Expected Date of Decision	Proposed Consultation	How to make representation to the decision made	Private/ Confidential and paragraph number
CE 19/20-42 Congleton Leisure Centre Redevelopment Project	To seek authority to enter into the construction contract with Rock Merchating (T/A Pulse Fitness) for the redevelopment of Congleton Leisure Centre.	Portfolio Holder for Communities	November 2020		Paul Bayley	Fully exempt - para 3
CE 18/19-60 The Minerals and Waste Development Plan	To seek approval to consult on the first draft of the Minerals and Waste Development Plan.	Portfolio Holder for Planning	November 2020		David Malcolm	N/A

Key Decision	Decisions to be Taken	Decision Maker	Expected Date of Decision	Proposed Consultation	How to make representation to the decision made	Private/ Confidential and paragraph number
CE 20/21-6 Development of a Gypsy and Traveller Transit Site	To approve the progression of the project, subject to planning approval, to enable the scheme to be developed in line with the capital budget outlined within the report; and to authorise the Executive Director of Place, in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Environment and Regeneration and the Portfolio Holder for Communities, to enter into a construction contract with the preferred bidder and make related decisions to deliver the Cledford Hall project.	Cabinet	1 Dec 2020		Karen Carsberg, Strategic Housing and Intelligence Manager	N/A

Key Decision	Decisions to be Taken	Decision Maker	Expected Date of Decision	Proposed Consultation	How to make representation to the decision made	Private/ Confidential and paragraph number
CE 20/21-14 Adult Social Care: Our Covid-19 Winter Plan 2020/21	To provide Cabinet with an overview of the Council's response to the Government's publication of the adult social care winter plan. Officers are to be authorised where necessary to implement the adult social care recommendations/actions.	Cabinet	1 Dec 2020		Nichola Thompson, Director of Commissioning	N/A

Key Decision	Decisions to be Taken	Decision Maker	Expected Date of Decision	Proposed Consultation	How to make representation to the decision made	Private/ Confidential and paragraph number
CE 20/21-15 Better Care Fund S75 Agreement	To enter into a new S75 Partnership Agreement with the local health partner (NHS Cheshire Clinical Commissioning Group) to cover the period from 1st April 2020 until 31st March 2021 with the option to extend the agreement for a further period of one year, subject to there being a national requirement to operate the Better Care Fund as a Section 75 pooled budget agreement until 2021/22.	Cabinet	1 Dec 2020		Nichola Thompson, Director of Commissioning	N/A
CE 19/20-49 Council Tax Base 2021-22	For Cabinet to consider the Council Tax Base for Cheshire East and identify any changes to the calculation of the tax base for 2021-22 with a view to recommending the amount calculated to Council.	Council	16 Dec 2020		Paul Manning	N/A

Key Decision	Decisions to be Taken	Decision Maker	Expected Date of Decision	Proposed Consultation	How to make representation to the decision made	Private/ Confidential and paragraph number
CE 20/21-11 Procurement of Facilities Management Service and the Council's Energy Supply	To approve the re-procurement of facilities management services, to include maintenance, statutory compliance and energy supply management and to authorise officers to take all necessary actions to implement the proposal.	Cabinet	12 Jan 2021		Denise Griffiths	N/A

Key Decision	Decisions to be Taken	Decision Maker	Expected Date of Decision	Proposed Consultation	How to make representation to the decision made	Private/ Confidential and paragraph number
CE 20/21-3 Flowerpot Junction Improvement Scheme	To approve procurement of works to improve Flowerpot Junction, utilising the NPIF allocation from DfT and local funding contributions from s106 contributions and council match funding. Authorise the preparation and making of a CPO relating to land required for the junction improvements where this cannot be acquired through negotiation, and delegate authority to the Director of Infrastructure and Highways, in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Strategic Transport to finalise the scheme details and enter into an agreement with the Council's appointed Highways Term Services to deliver the scheme.	Cabinet	2 Feb 2021			N/A

Key Decision	Decisions to be Taken	Decision Maker	Expected Date of Decision	Proposed Consultation	How to make representation to the decision made	Private/ Confidential and paragraph number
CE 20/21-8 Carbon Action Plan Key Decisions	To authorise Officers to take all necessary actions relating to land allocation and procurements for initial projects contributing to sustainable energy generation and green sequestration.	Cabinet	2 Feb 2021		Ralph Kemp, Corporate Manager for Commissioning	N/A
CE 20/21-16 Third Quarter Review (Finance) 2020/21	To note and comment on the three quarter year finance and performance position, and to approve any supplementary estimates and virements.	Cabinet	2 Feb 2021			N/A
CE 19/20-50 Medium Term Financial Strategy 2021-25	To approve the Medium Term Financial Strategy 2021-25 incorporating the Council's priorities, budget, policy proposals and capital programme. The report will include the capital, treasury management, investment and reserves strategies.	Council	17 Feb 2021	Corporate Overview and Scrutiny Committee – 1 February 2021 Cabinet – 2 February 2021		N/A

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Environment and Regeneration Overview and Scrutiny Committee

Date of Meeting: 16 November 2020

Report Title: Work Programme

Portfolio Holder: Councillor C Browne – Deputy Leader

Councillor T Fox – Portfolio Holder for Planning

Councillor N Mannion – Portfolio Holder for Environment and Regeneration

Councillor L Crane – Portfolio Holder for Highways and Waste

Councillor M Warren – Portfolio Holder for Communities

Senior Officer: Executive Director of Corporate Services

1. Report Summary

- 1.1. To review items in the work programme listed in the schedule attached, together with any other items suggested by committee members.

2. Recommendation

- 2.1. That the work programme be reviewed.

3. Reasons for Recommendation

- 3.1 It is good practice to review the work programme and update accordingly

4. Other Options Considered

- 4.1. There are no further options to consider.

5. Background

- 5.1 The schedule attached has been updated following the last meeting of the committee.
- 5.2 Members are asked to review the schedule attached to this report, and if appropriate, add new items or delete items that no longer require any scrutiny activity. When selecting potential topics, Members should have regard to the Council's new three year plan and also to the general criteria listed below, which

should be applied to all potential items when considering whether any Scrutiny activity is appropriate.

5.3 The following questions should be asked in respect of each potential work programme item:

- Does the issue fall within a corporate priority;
- Is the issue of key interest to the public;
- Does the matter relate to a poor or declining performing service for which there is no obvious explanation;
- Is there a pattern of budgetary overspends;
- Is it a matter raised by external audit management letters and or audit reports?
- Is there a high level of dissatisfaction with the service;

5.4 If during the assessment process any of the following emerge, then the topic should be rejected:

- The topic is already being addressed elsewhere
- The matter is subjudice
- Scrutiny cannot add value or is unlikely to be able to conclude an investigation within the specified timescale

6. Implications

6.1. Legal Implications

6.1.1. There are no legal implications at this stage.

6.2. Finance Implications

6.2.1. There are no financial implications at this stage

6.3. Equality Implications

6.3.1. There are no equalities implications at this stage.

6.4. Human Resources Implications

6.4.1. There are no human resources implications at this stage.

6.5. Risk Management Implications

6.5.1. There are no risk management implications at this stage.

6.6. Rural Communities Implications

6.6.1. There are no implications for rural communities.

6.7. Implications for Children & Young People

6.7.1. There are no implications for children and young people at this stage.

6.8. Public Health Implications

6.8.1. There are no direct implications for public health.

7. Ward Members Affected

7.1. All.

8. Access to Information

8.1. The background papers can be inspected by contacting the report author.

9. Contact Information

9.1. Any questions relating to this report should be directed to the following officer:

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Date: 16.11.20 Time: 10.00am Venue: Committee suite, Westfields	Date: 14.12.20 Time: 10.00am Venue: Committee suite, Westfields	Date: 18.1.21 Time: 10.00am Venue: Committee suite, Westfields	Date: 15.3.21 Time: 10.00am Venue: Committee suite, Westfields
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<u>Item</u>	<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Lead Officer</u>	<u>Portfolio</u>	<u>Suggested by</u>	<u>Scrutiny role</u>	<u>Corporate priorities</u>	<u>Date</u>
Gypsy & Traveller Key Decision	To scrutinise the progression of the project, subject to planning and Cabinet approval, to enable the scheme to be developed in line with the capital budget and to scrutinise the construction contract with the preferred bidder for the delivery of the Cledford Hall project.	Executive Director of Place Deputy Chief Executive	Environment & Regeneration	Executive Director of Place Deputy Chief Executive	Pre Decision Scrutiny	A responsible, effective and efficient organisation	16.11.20
Budget 2021/22 Consultation	To consider the Pre-Budget 2021/22 Consultation proposals relating to the committee's remit area.	Section 151 Officer	Communities Environment & Regeneration Deputy Leader Highways and Waste Planning	Committee	Pre-Decision Scrutiny Budget Scrutiny	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cheshire East has a strong and resilient economy. Cheshire East is a green and sustainable place A responsible, effective and efficient organisation. 	16.11.20 18.01.20 To be considered at Corporate Scrutiny 26.11.20 and EROSC ahead of Feb decision making.

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Carbon Action Plan Key Decisions	To scrutinise the actions relating to land allocation and procurements for initial projects contributing to sustainable energy generation and green sequestration.	Ralph Kemp, Corporate Manager for Commissioning	Environment & Regeneration	Committee	Pre-Decision Scrutiny	Cheshire East is a green and sustainable place	16.11.20 Rescheduled for 18.01.20
Vulnerable and Older Persons Housing Strategy 2020-2024	To receive an update on the outcomes of the consultation to be carried out on the draft strategy.	Executive Director of Place and Deputy Chief Executive	Environment & Regeneration	Executive Director of Place and Deputy Chief Executive	Pre-decision Scrutiny	People live well and for longer.	18.01.21
Tenancy Strategy	To scrutinise the Draft Tenancy Strategy once consultation has been completed and before a decision is made	Executive Director of Place and Deputy Chief Executive	Environment & Regeneration	Executive Director of Place and Deputy Chief Executive	Pre-decision Scrutiny	A responsible, effective and efficient organisation.	18.01.21 TBC
Procurement and delivery of a Housing Development Framework	To review proposals relating to the implementation of the strategy following procurement	Executive Director of Place and Deputy Chief Executive	Environment & Regeneration	The Committee	Pre-decision Scrutiny	Cheshire is a Green and sustainable Place.	TBD

Task & Finish Group	To undertake an in-depth review of flooding and flood risk management in Cheshire East to enable a number of meetings that include local ward councillors and the Town Council, to scrutinise the impacts of the 2019 flooding in the various areas of Cheshire East that were affected (e.g. Poynton, Kettleshulme, Adlington, Prestbury, Bollington were named as some of the example areas).	Executive Director of Place and Deputy Chief Executive	Environment & Regeneration	The Committee	Overview & Scrutiny	A responsible, effective and efficient organisation.	Ongoing
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Possible Future Items/briefings notes

- Waste Strategy and Household Recycling Centres-Date TBC
- Bus Strategy-Date TBC
- Charging Structure in relation to Flexi-Link Service-Date TBC

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