

## **REGENERATION, CULTURE AND ENVIRONMENT OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE**

**14 OCTOBER 2021**

### **WORK PROGRAMME**

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#### Summary

This item advises Members of the current work programme and allows them to adjust it in the light of latest priorities, issues and circumstances. It gives Members the opportunity to shape and direct the Committee's activities over the year.

1. Budget and policy framework
  - 1.1 Under Chapter 4, Part 5 of the Constitution – Overview and Scrutiny Rules, paragraph 21.1 (xv) General terms of reference, each overview and scrutiny committee has the responsibility for setting its own work programme.
2. Background
  - 2.1 Appendix A to this report sets out the existing work programme for this committee.
3. Agenda Planning Meeting
  - 3.1 Members will be aware that Overview and Scrutiny Committees hold agenda planning meetings on a regular basis. These give officers guidance on information Members wish them to provide when scrutinising an issue. An agenda planning meeting was held on 16 September 2021.
  - 3.2 The Chairman, Vice-Chairman and Opposition Spokesperson were updated on the Committee's current work programme and advised on the reports to be submitted to this meeting.
  - 3.3 At the agenda planning meeting, it was recommended that the report on the Lifecycle Report on the Highways Investment Network be removed from the outstanding list of reports on the basis that this information would imminently be circulated via a briefing note. This briefing note was circulated on 21 September 2021.

- 3.4 It was also requested that indicative dates be sought for all other reports on the 'dates to be determined' section of the work programme and this information is currently being obtained.
- 3.5 As agreed at the meeting of this Committee on 13 August 2020, a list of briefing notes relevant to the work of this Committee which have been circulated in 2019, 2020 and to date in 2021 are attached at Appendices B, C and D.

#### 4. Cabinet Forward Plan

- 4.1 The latest Forward Plan of forthcoming Cabinet decisions was published on 20 September 2021. Set out below is a list of items featuring on the Forward Plan that fall within the terms of reference of the Regeneration, Culture and Environment Overview and Scrutiny Committee. The Committee is asked to identify any items it wishes to consider before the Cabinet decision is taken (where dates permit), other than those already programmed in Appendix A.

| <b><u>Title of Decision:</u></b>   | <b><u>Anticipated Decision Date:</u></b> |
|--|--|
| Community Renewal Fund   | 19 October 2021                          |
| Gateway 1 Procurement Commencement Recycling Resource Management Contract  | 19 October 2021                          |
| National Bus Strategy and Bus Service Improvement Plan (BSIP) for Medway   | 19 October 2021                          |
| 2022/23 Capital and Revenue Budgets – <i>On RCE O&amp;S Committee work programme – 2 December 2021</i>   | 16 November 2021                         |
| Council Plan Performance Management Report and Risk Register Review 2021/22 Quarter 2 - <i>On RCE O&amp;S Committee work programme – 2 December 2021</i> | 16 November 2021                         |
| Medway City Status bid – <i>On RCE O&amp;S Committee work programme – 14 October 2021</i>  | 16 November 2021                         |
| Local Plan – Authority Monitoring Report   | 14 December 2021                         |

#### 5. Financial and legal implications

- 5.1 There are no financial or legal implications arising from this report.

## 6. Recommendations

### 6.1 The Committee is asked to;

- a) note the current work programme;
- b) agree to the removal of the report on the Lifecycle Report on the Highways Investment Network from the outstanding list of reports;
- c) note that indicative dates are currently being obtained for the reports listed on the 'dates to be determined section of the work programme;
- b) identify any additional items for inclusion in the work programme.

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### Appendices

Appendix A – Work programme

Appendix B – Index of briefing notes 2019

Appendix C – Index of briefing notes 2020

Appendix D – Index of briefing notes 2021

### Background papers

None