

Notice of Meeting

Overview & Scrutiny Committee

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AGENDA

The order of these items may change as a result of members of the public wishing to speak

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ITEM 8 **Test Valley Partnership Annual Review**

Briefing Note of the Policy Manager

(Portfolio: Leader)

SUMMARY:

- The Test Valley Partnership is the single strategic partnership for the Borough. Its role is to bring together key partner organisations who can then work jointly on the things that can't be achieved by any one organisation alone.
- The Partnership meets as a whole group twice a year (April and November). In between these meetings partners work together on delivering joint activities. Examples covered in this briefing note include; Local Resilience Planning, Supporting Families programme and the Our Place project as part of Romsey Future.

1 Introduction

- 1.1 This briefing note is to provide members of OSCOM with an update on the work of the Test Valley Partnership.

2 Background

- 2.1 The Test Valley Partnership is the single strategic partnership for the Borough. Its role is to bring together key partner organisations who can then work jointly on the things that can't be achieved by any one organisation alone. It also provides an important communication network in which partners can get to know each other more and, as a result, break down organisational barriers. The Partnership is chaired by the Leader of the Council.
- 2.2 The Test Valley Partnership was established in its current form in 2013. Previously two key strategic partnerships existed in the Borough, namely the Test Valley Partnership (the Local Strategic Partnership) and the Test Valley Community Safety Partnership.
- 2.3 It became clear to partners that the national and local level environment in which both partnerships operated changed considerably since their initial creation. Following a review of how the partnerships were working in 2012, a proposal to bring together the Community Safety Partnership and the LSP as one body was endorsed and a merger was undertaken. The benefits of establishing a single partnership for Test Valley has enabled working efficiencies to be made whilst ensuring that the benefits of partnership working are not lost. This approach is unique in Hampshire.

3 How the Partnership operates

3.1 The new Partnership was launched at a conference in summer 2013. It brought together a wide range of stakeholders from across the Borough who helped set the strategic focus for the Partnership. The four areas that have emerged as the strategic focus are:

- **Going Local** which focuses on opportunities for how services can collaborate more closely thereby improving access to them across rural and urban areas.
- **Living Well** which focuses on developing sustainable community-led approaches to health and wellbeing.
- **Supporting Families** which focuses on delivering the Government's "Troubled Families" agenda. The work in Test Valley has an emphasis on improving quality of life for families who need the most support so that in time their reliance on services will reduce.
- **Communities**, which focuses on building the capacity and skills of local areas so that they can address the issues that matter most to them.

3.2 The Partnership meets as a whole group twice a year (April and November). In between these meetings partners work together on delivering joint activities. For example, the Community Safety Management Group works throughout the year on addressing more localised and tactical issues; the Supporting Families group of partners works throughout the year on delivering the Early Help Hub; finally, partners have been working with parish councils on strengthening local resilience which came out of the flooding events of 2014.

3.3 By streamlining partnership arrangements, which included practical measures such as reducing the number of meetings, we have seen a sustained engagement of partners and more of a focus on delivering together on the ground. As a result, the Test Valley Partnership has reinvented itself in a time when many other strategic partnerships in other areas have fallen away.

4. Examples of recent work developed with partners through the Test Valley Partnership

4.1 *Test Valley Resilience Forum*

The Test Valley Resilience Forum has been in existence since November 2014 and has been very successful in encouraging communities to develop their own Local Resilience Plans. The Forum was brought together through the Test Valley Partnership, as the floods of 2014 had highlighted some excellent examples of communities working together with the emergency services and statutory agencies to deal with some very difficult circumstances in their towns and villages.

Whilst the floods provided the catalyst for the creation of the Forum, there are a number of other scenarios where having a Local Resilience Plan in place can greatly assist communities and service providers in coordinating a successful response to an incident.

Due to the established relationships that have been fostered through the Test Valley Partnership, stakeholders quickly came together around this area of work with real commitment and resources.

4.2 *Supporting Families*

The Government's Supporting (Troubled) Families Programme was launched in April 2012 with the aim of 'turning around' the lives of some 120,000 troubled families by the end of May 2015. This was a unique opportunity to explore how the public sector can work in new and joined up ways to improve and transform the lives of families and communities across Hampshire.

The families supported by the programme have long standing and complex issues, which the Government estimates costs the taxpayer approximately £9billion a year, most of which is spent on reacting to their problems. The three most common issues which lead to problems within families are mental health, violence from child to parent and debt management.

The Supporting Families programme is now in its second phase, having exceeded its targets in phase one. Although funding has been reduced, the number of families supported by the programme has tripled. In Test Valley, the Early Help Hub, which brings together the key agencies, is working well. For example, cases are being reviewed on the same week that they are submitted, which has ensured that the next steps to support families can be arranged as quickly as possible.

A number of partnership projects are being developed through the programme. A recent example is where Supporting Families are working with schools, parents and the Fire Brigade to provide a mentoring service to support those children in danger of dropping out from education.

At the last meeting of the Test Valley Partnership, Supporting Families and Andover Mind discussed with partners their plans to deliver a youth counselling service, which provides support to young people aged 13-23 in both one-on-one and group settings. Andover Youth Counselling are running in all the towns schools and in Andover College and are currently running a waiting list, which shows how well received and supported this service has been.

The Supporting Families programme will now be funded until 2020. Partners will be shortly coming together to develop the ongoing priorities for Test Valley.

4.3 *Romsey Future & the Romsey Rendezvous Our Place project*

Over the past two years, local people and organisations in Romsey have been working together to create a strategic vision for the town. Through extensive consultation, the Romsey Future vision document has been produced which sets out a vision and set of ambitions that will guide the town's development over the next twenty years.

As part of developing Romsey Future, a number of key projects have already been delivered with the support of partners who form the Test Valley Partnership. A good example of this was the Our Place project which focused on developing the Romsey and Woodley Rendezvous model. Our Place is a Department for Communities and Local Government (DCLG) programme which provides support to communities to develop more community based services which have been prioritised by local people.

The Romsey and Woodley Rendezvous initiatives are pop-up cafes which are run by local volunteers with the support of a range of organisations. The overall aim of this work is to support people to live independently for as long as possible and to explore the role the community can play in shaping services at a grass roots level. The focus of the Rendezvous project is to join the dots together within the community to help make it easier for older people, disabled people and those that care for them to access the right information, advice and support at the right time and in the right place.

Through the Our Place programme, organisations who form the Test Valley Partnership worked alongside community organisations based within Romsey to pilot the approach and to develop an "operational plan". The plan has been reviewed and endorsed by Government which has meant that partners have been able to use the plan as a basis on which to draw in new support and use as part of the business case for future funding. Over the last twelve months the project has grown and there are new pop-up cafes being developed across southern Test Valley.

5. **Conclusions**

- 5.1 Partnership working in Test Valley has always been very strong. Partners have developed good organisational relationships and there is a clear purpose about what is trying to be achieved overall rather than focusing on overly complex partnership structures.
- 5.2 With this outlook in place, partners could see that in order to safeguard and improve on the very best of what partnership working can deliver, there was a need to re-shape the strategic partnerships in Test Valley. Having taken this step it means that there is still a strategic partnership in the Borough when other areas have lost theirs and most importantly, the track record of taking forward joint work and delivering real results for local communities has been sustained.

<u>Background Papers (Local Government Act 1972 Section 100D)</u>			
None			
<u>Confidentiality</u>			
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ITEM 9 Responsible Dog Ownership Project Update

Report of the Housing and Environmental Health Portfolio Holder

Recommended:

That the Committee considers the progress of the Responsible Dog Ownership Project and the identified next steps.

SUMMARY:

- A progress update is provided on the implementation of the pilot involving parish councils to promote responsible dog ownership within their parish.
- A progress update is provided concerning the implementation of joint working with housing association Registered Providers (RPs) to promote responsible dog ownership on housing estates which include RP owned and managed properties.

1 Background

- 1.1 Following a proposal from the Lead Member for the Environment on the Overview and Scrutiny Committee, a review was undertaken of the Animal Welfare service provided by the Council in September 2013. The purpose of the review and policy was to improve transparency and understanding for all concerned. Animal welfare matters and in particular those pertaining to dogs, although small scale, are often high profile and can become time consuming for Members and officers alike. The expectation was that a clear policy document explaining the Council's statutory responsibilities and discretionary services and how this work is undertaken, would be beneficial for the public, Members and officers alike.
- 1.2 The review identified that some targeted work had been done with a number of Parish Councils in the past, to assist them tackle the irresponsible dog owners in their areas. This assistance had been at the request of the parish council and the support provided in accordance with their wishes. It was considered that this may not be the best use of the Council's resources as those Parish Councils requesting this service were not necessarily the ones where complaints had arisen.
- 1.3 The number of repeat sources of complaint involving irresponsible dog ownership was examined as part of the review. It was found that 28% of the repeat 'offenders' or sources of complaint were residents on housing estates which included RP owned and managed properties. Therefore, if by working with these organisations a reduction in this figure could be achieved there would be a potential reduction in the Animal Welfare Officer's workload and the opportunity to devote more time on other aspects of the role.

The Animal Welfare Officer had worked closely with RPs but there existed a degree of duplication in responding to the same complaints causing confusion and the inefficient use of resources so a more co-ordinated approach was considered to be beneficial to all concerned.

- 1.4 At the end of the review it was concluded that there was an aspiration considering the Council's very limited resources for this activity, targeted and more effective engagement with communities and key partners such as the RPs, would draw on external resources and reduce any duplication of effort. In addition the Animal Welfare Officer could be more proactive and support those parish councils who actually have a problem in their area and tackle it within their communities potentially reducing the number of complaints received by the Council.
- 1.5 A report on the review and its findings was presented to the Overview and Scrutiny Committee on Wednesday 6 November 2013 and the Committee recommended to Cabinet the following;
1. That the draft Animal Welfare Policy and Operational Guidelines be approved and disseminated widely.
 2. That consideration be given to making educational programmes on animal care in general available to the public.
 3. That a pilot scheme to promote responsible dog ownership in up to four parishes within the Borough, be undertaken. The pilot scheme to be used as a means of engaging with those communities and seeking the active involvement of parish councillors and residents in the initiative.
 4. The pilot scheme also to be used to determine any changes to the animal welfare education programme.
 5. That closer and more co-ordinated working arrangements with housing association Registered Providers (RPs) be developed, aimed at reducing the number of dog related complaints received by the Council in respect of the estates where RPs have a significant presence.

These recommendations (Item 6) were approved by the meeting of Cabinet on the 27 November 2013.

- 1.6 The first project update was presented to the Overview and Scrutiny Committee on 3 December 2014. At the meeting it was reported that the Council's Animal Welfare Policy had been published and that the project where it involved the housing association Registered Providers (RPs) was progressing well through regular meetings and information exchange. The Committee was advised that the project had been a success in Valley Park. The Lead Member explained that the project had been successful in this community as the parish council were on board with the project and as the project Champion she had worked closely with officers.

However it was reported that it was proving difficult to engage other parish councils to sign up to the pilot, despite a number of presentations or other approaches being made.

1.7 The Committee Minutes record the following;

Item 201 Responsible Dog Ownership Project Update

Resolved:

1. That the pilot continues and an evaluation report is brought back to the Committee in 12 months.
2. To continue to actively seek potential Parish Councils to participate in the pilot.
3. That further support and advice be given to Parish Council champions.
4. To continue to develop procedures to improve joint working with the Registered Providers.

2 Progress since December 2014 with the Parish Councils

- 2.1 Following the Committee resolution a new strategy for engaging parish councils was required; the use of presentations to individual parish councils did not appear to be delivering the required outcomes and appeared to be resource intensive. Therefore a change of approach was necessary. It was agreed that a Workshop should be provided on the theme of responsible dog ownership. All the parish councils in the Test Valley Borough Council area would be invited and the event would promote the project through presentations and workshop activities.
- 2.2 The Housing & Environmental Health Portfolio Holder sent a personal invitation to all the parish councils in the Test Valley area, welcoming representatives to attend a morning workshop on 5 September 2015 at Longstock Village Hall. Members of Test Valley Borough Council were informed of the event through the Members Information Bulletin. The Portfolio Holder's invitation was accepted by the Ampfield, Barton Stacey, Chilbolton, Hurstbourne Tarrant, Longstock, Stockbridge and Tangle & Hatherden parish councils and by the Andover Town Council.
- 2.3 The workshop was introduced by the Housing & Environmental Health Portfolio Holder with members of the Environmental Health team providing an overview of the Responsible Dog Ownership project. The Lead Member for the Environment on the Overview and Scrutiny Committee provided delegates with an insight on how the project could be introduced by giving an account of what had been done and achieved in the Valley Park Parish.
- 2.4 To provide extra interest and an opportunity for delegates to gain assistance from external organisations two guest speakers gave presentations;

- The Access Advisor from the Kennel Club speaking on, “Managing walkers with dogs in the countryside and green spaces” with a particular focus on examples of good practice.
 - The South England Education and Community Officer from the Dogs Trust describing, the role of the Trust and how it supports community events.
- 2.5 The event concluded with a round table discussion, chaired by the Corporate Director responsible for Environmental Health. All the delegates took this opportunity to participate, with questions being asked of the speakers and suggestions for implementing responsible dog ownership being proposed. There appeared to be an interest in the subject and a sharing of ideas.
- 2.6 It was important that the workshop should not be considered as an isolated event and that the interest engendered should be maintained. This has been achieved in a number of ways.
- All the parish councils which attended received documentation and suggestions on how they could start a Responsible Dog Ownership campaign within their parish. Each was provided with a Checklist (Annex 1 of this report) asking questions on the key areas for implementation - *Identifying the existence and extent of a dog fouling problem in the parish, raising awareness of the importance of responsible dog ownership, introducing dog access zones and methods of providing facilities for dog owners and the maintenance of such facilities*. In addition the recipients received a selection of articles which they could use in their newsletter or websites to launch the project and raise community awareness.
 - The interest expressed in presentations to schools, parish council meetings and community events was pursued. The Animal Welfare Officer has delivered a number of these, subject to the parish council’s requests, for Hurstbourne Tarrant and Stockbridge parish councils and for Andover Town Council. In addition Andover Town Council has been provided with the data requested on dog fouling complaints in the Andover Wards.
 - At the time of writing this report a progress meeting with the attending parish councils is being convened.
- 2.7 It would appear that progress has been slow but this has been due to the difficulties experienced in co-ordinating the 8 represented councils. The delegates who attended the workshop need to inform their respective parish councils about the project before any commitment can be made. Therefore the frequency of these meetings for each of the councils has given rise to some delay. It is hoped that a suitably convenient date, time and venue can be arranged before the end of March.

3 Progress since December 2014 with the Registered Providers

- 3.1 This aspect of the project has continued to progress well, building upon the work undertaken in 2014.
- 3.2 The Communication Agreement, signed up to in 2014, has facilitated the exchange of information, intelligence and procedures between the Environmental Health team and the respective RPs. Common approaches to the promotion of responsible dog ownership have been developed and agreed with the RPs using their residents' news letters, meetings and websites as a vehicle for supporting the work of the Council.
- 3.3 Common approaches to address dog related nuisance have also been facilitated. This process has involved the sharing of good practice and procedures not only between Environmental Health and the RPs but amongst the RPs themselves.

4 Measuring Success

- 4.1 The success of the workshop was evaluated by delegates being asked for feedback on the event in terms of the quality of the presentations, the round table discussions, the usefulness of the information provided and how well the event had encouraged the parish council to sign up to the project. The result was that 84% of the responses against these criteria were either good or excellent. Interest in the attending of future events was also gauged and found to be 100%.
- 4.2 Measuring the success of the workshop was straight forward but measuring significant outcomes for the project as a whole is not yet feasible. With a change in approach and the effective re-launch of the project for parish councils in September 2015 it is too early to draw any meaningful conclusions. It is difficult to assess whether the work undertaken with the participating parish councils has reduced the number of irresponsible dog ownership complaints in the respective areas. However complaints will continue to be monitored to see if a correlation can be made between any reduction in complaints and the implementation of the project.

5 Corporate Objectives and Priorities

- 5.1 Since the project began the Council's Corporate Plan 2015 - 2019, 'Investing in Test Valley', has been agreed. The project contributes to the Aim; Investing in a great place to *Contribute to and be part of a strong community*.
- 5.2 The participating parish councils and town council have an opportunity through their leadership to empower their communities by developing their own action plans and initiatives to tackle irresponsible dog ownership and address its consequences. At the same time they have access to assistance and support from the Environmental Health team of Test Valley Borough Council.

6 Resources

- 6.1 The first approach caused concern at the amount of resource which was being committed in attempting to engage the parish councils. However, as predicted the new approach has proved less resource intensive, particularly in terms of officer time.

7 Next Steps

- 7.1 The progress meeting is an opportunity to find out how the project is progressing in the participating parishes. It is also hoped that experience and ideas can be shared. The discussions at the workshop showed that besides assistance and guidance from the Environmental Health team, the practical experience and suggestions from those parish councils which have started to implement the project are of interest and use to other parishes as they all have common issues to overcome despite the differences in their character.
- 7.2 It is important to establish how useful the Check list is to the participants and to identify any refinements which can be made to improve its effectiveness as a project plan. At the same time the Environmental Health team needs to identify what further support needs to be provided or assistance offered, for example sources of signage, signposting or the provision of parish maps along with the services already offered such as attendance at community events and school talks.
- 7.3 The ultimate aim of this new approach is to produce a portfolio of project implementation plans which other none participating parishes could use in the future. The success at Valley Park already serves as an excellent model to other parish councils on how the project can be implemented but with the participation of different types of parishes other models can be developed. The work at Hurstbourne Tarrant and in Stockbridge is very encouraging in this respect as they are different types of parish compared to Valley Park.
- 7.4 The results of the pilots will be monitored and it is hoped through providing clear evidence of success and the portfolio of project implementation plans, other parishes will wish to become involved.
- 7.5 As regards the RPs the next area the Environmental Health Team and the RPs need to work together on is community events. There has been some ad hoc work in this area but there is a need to focus on targeted community engagement through presentations, dog fouling flagging events and through local schools.

8 Project Milestones for 2016

- The implementation of the project in the participating parish councils by 1 April 2016.
- Provision of a second Workshop by 1 November 2016

- The availability of project plans for use by non participating parishes by 1 December 2016.
- Time table of Community events agreed with the RPs by 1 June 2016
- Assessment of the potential controls facilitated through Public Spaces Protection Orders created under the Anti-social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014 by September 2016

<u>Background Papers (Local Government Act 1972 Section 100D)</u>			
None			
<u>Confidentiality</u>			
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Annex 1

Responsible dog ownership in *(name of Parish)* Checklist

Identify the existence and extent of a dog fouling problem in the parish

	Completed
• Obtained a map of the parish	Y/N
• Identified foot paths/rights of way in the parish	Y/N
• Identified the location of litter and dog waste bins in the parish	Y/N
• Identified the dog walking or exercising areas in the parish	Y/N
• Identified dog fouling hotspots in the parish	Y/N
• Tie up the hotspots with the provision of bins	Y/N
• Considered relocating bins to tackle hotspots	Y/N
• Obtained the views on dog fouling of the community	Y/N

Raise awareness of the importance of responsible dog ownership

	Completed
• Articles in Parish Mag, website and social media promoting the project	Y/N
• Produce a parish paths map showing location of bins	Y/N
• Produce a parish leaflet on Do's and Don'ts	Y/N
• Encourage school projects	Y/N
• Guidance signs encouraging dog waste to be bagged and binned	Y/N
• Consider stickers on litter bins saying they can be used for dog waste	Y/N
• Events to communicate dog issues and encourage responsible activity	Y/N

Introduce dog access zones

	Completed
Consider traffic light system	Y/N

Red - no dogs e.g. children's play areas

Amber - dogs welcome but kept on a lead and always clear up dog mess

Green - dogs welcome – but kept under control and always clear up dog mess

Maintain and provide facilities

- Conduct annual audit of footpaths
- Have a reporting system for problems with footpaths
- Make available dog poo bags in recreation ground

ITEM 10

Public Involvement Panel

Report of the Leader Member, Councillor Drew (Portfolio: Corporate)

Recommended

That the Public Involvement Panel's scoping template be approved.

SUMMARY:

The Committee is requested to consider the draft scoping template agreed by the Task and Finish Panel and comment thereon.

Background Papers (Local Government Act 1972 Section 100D)

None

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Test Valley Borough Council Overview & Scrutiny Committee Panel and Lead Member Reviews - Scoping Template

1	<p>Corporate Priority/Service Area (may be more than one)</p> <p>To contribute to and be part of a strong community</p>
2	<p>Lead Member(s)/Chairman of Panel</p> <p>David Drew</p>
3	<p>Portfolio Holder(s)</p> <p>All</p>
4	<p>Topic for Review</p> <p>Public Participation at OSCOM, the Borough Council more widely and its service delivery (in the sense of gathering public views).</p>
5	<p>Key Areas of Focus</p> <p>Evaluate the current position, methods and level of participation. Attitudes to public participation and how to make it more attractive. Consider the potential for improving the effectiveness of what we (TVBC) do.</p>
6	<p>What will be developed or reviewed?</p> <p>Revise public participation methodology at OSCOM and how OSCOM engages with the public. Develop good practice and recommendations for enhanced engagement.</p>
7	<p>Rationale – Why now/why at all?</p> <p>At the moment there is a very limited public perception of the work of OSCOM (and also to some extent TVBC) in Test Valley and this needs to be improved.</p>

8	<p>Anticipated Benefits</p> <p>Improved public profile for OSCOM and TVBC. Better informed [by the public] councillors and improved service delivery to the public.</p>
9	<p>Resource Implications</p> <p>Some officer time will be needed to respond to requests from the panel.</p>
10	<p>Are there any Partner Organisations involved in the Project?</p> <p>No. However, we may wish to engage with other organisations as we progress.</p>
11	<p>Does the Project require Public Involvement?</p> <p>Yes. There will be information to be gathered. For example possibly through the Test Valley News and other avenues.</p>
12	<p>Expected Outcomes: In 3 months (Progress or Full Report)</p> <p>A progress report to OSCOM with interim recommendations.</p>
13	<p>How will the Project assist the achievement of a Corporate Priority or Priorities?</p> <p>To assist residents to participate in and contribute to Test Valley and its decision making process. Greater encouragement for the public to suggest items for review by OSCOM.</p>
14	<p>What do you want OSCOM to do now?</p> <p>To agree with the review in principle.</p>

3 Corporate Objectives and Priorities

- 3.1 The consultation focuses on housing delivery which relates to the ‘Live’ corporate objective.

4 Consultations/Communications

- 4.1 The proposed response to each of the key areas is set out below. Subject to any further observations and comment this would form the response submitted to DCLG.

Definition of affordable housing

- 4.2 To support access to home ownership, the Government proposes to amend the definition of affordable housing to include a wider range of low cost home ownership options, including Starter Homes.
- 4.3 While the Council welcomes a range of affordable housing products within the definition of affordable housing, this proposal raises a number of very important concerns.
- 4.4 Firstly, the inclusion of the proposed Starter Homes is unhelpful and misleading. In many situations and especially high housing cost areas, the Starter Homes will not be affordable to those on lower incomes.
- 4.5 There is also a concern that the inclusion of Starter Homes as a significant element within mixed use developments will again have a negative impact on the provision of more affordable homes which very often are made possible on sites which have a lower value and are less attractive to open market purchasers.
- 4.6 Secondly, the 20% subsidy for new build properties under £250,000 outside of London will simply bring those prices in line with those of second hand homes for sale. The 20% equates to the premium that is charged for a new build property.
- 4.7 Thirdly, the inclusion of Starter Homes with the affordable homes definition is likely to be at the expense of securing affordable homes for rent and other low cost home ownership products such as shared ownership. Developers will use this as a means of avoiding providing truly affordable homes for rent or sale within their proposals. This will result in those who are the most vulnerable and least able to compete within the housing market being seriously disadvantaged.
- 4.8 An anticipated, severe reduction in the provision of affordable rented homes will inevitably lead to rising homelessness and households on low incomes, many of whom will be working, waiting for increasingly long periods of time before being, if ever, assisted. There does not seem to be any recognition within the Government’s approach that many of these people will simply end up with nowhere to go, creating all manner of social problems and accompanying unintended costs to the public purse. The private rented sector, even where it could do so, is not going to pick up the slack and where it does accommodate households in receipt of Housing Benefit, the benefit bill will as a consequence, increase.

- 4.9 Fourthly, the inclusion of Starter Homes and the removal of ‘in perpetuity’ clauses will result in fewer, if any, land opportunities coming forward, particularly in rural areas, where the provision of land at low cost will only benefit the first time resident.
- 4.10 Finally, the implications of concentrating on home ownership largely at the expense of affordable rented housing provision does not appear to have taken into account the fact that many vulnerable people included within protected characteristic groups cannot work or if they are able to do so, receive a low income and so will never be able to afford their own home. These most vulnerable members of society will be significantly disadvantaged by the approach the Government is taking.

Density

- 4.11 The NPPF currently enables Council’s to set appropriate density levels for new housing development based on local circumstances. The government is proposing a change to the NPPF that would expect Council’s, in both plan-making and in taking planning decisions, to require higher density development around commuter hubs wherever feasible.
- 4.12 In principle it is sensible to encourage suitable locations for higher density development in well-connected areas with sufficient capacity for growth. However it is important to remember that there is no one-size-fits-all approach to this issue and that higher densities should take account of other factors such as existing character.

Delivery of housing

- 4.13 The Government has set out an intention to introduce a housing delivery test to identify areas where there is a significant under-delivery of housing. If a significant under-delivery of housing is identified, the Government suggests action should be taken to address the matter. Under the current consultation, it is suggested that Councils considered to be significantly under-delivering should allocate additional sites through a Local Plan review or Area Action Plan.
- 4.14 The Council has concerns in response to this aspect of the consultation.
- 4.15 Firstly, the test does not include a mechanism to identify reasons for significant under-delivery, which may vary from place-to-place and could be linked to factors outside of the planning process e.g. economic climate.
- 4.16 Secondly, the root cause of significant under-delivery needs to be identified and appropriate action taken. A ‘one size fits all’ approach is unlikely to be successful.
- 4.17 Thirdly, Development Plan Documents are not delivery documents and as such, allocating additional sites does not guarantee that they will come forward.

Starter homes (discounted market sales)

- 4.18 The consultation document continues to promote Starter Homes. The government also proposes to widen the scope of the current exception site policy for Starter Homes to incorporate other forms of unviable or underused brownfield land, such as land which was previously in use for retail, leisure and non-residential institutional uses.
- 4.19 Whilst the principle of using unviable and underused commercial brownfield land should be supported there needs to be clarity that the onus is on the applicant to demonstrate why commercial land should be lost for alternative uses.
- 4.20 The consultation document also promotes Starter Homes within mixed use schemes. There is concern that this proposal reduces the ability of local areas to plan for and create balanced communities. There is risk that homes for social rent and shared ownership would be squeezed out and replaced by Starter Homes, without any guarantee of a net increase in overall housing supply.
- 4.21 The proposals to include Starter Homes within the provision of rural affordable homes will in practical terms end the development of rural affordable homes as an exception to Planning Policy. First time buyers will stand to make significant profits after 5 years of ownership and the homes will cease to be even lower cost, let alone be affordable.

Transitional Arrangements

- 4.22 The Government suggests that the proposed changes to national planning policies may mean that Councils will need to review their local affordable housing policies. Accordingly they suggest a transitional period of 6 – 12 months prior to the introduction of the new national policies, to allow Councils to undertake a partial review of their Local Plan policies.
- 4.23 Whilst no objection to the transitional arrangements is proposed should the changes to national guidance be made it is likely that this would trigger a review of the relevant affordable housing policies in the Revised Local Plan in order for it to be consistent.

5 Conclusion

- 5.1 The consultation on the proposed changes to national planning policy focuses on the delivery of houses. The report identifies the implications that such changes would have for Test Valley and the Council's proposed response.

<u>Background Papers (Local Government Act 1972 Section 100D)</u>			
National Planning Policy Framework (2012)			
<u>Confidentiality</u>			
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ITEM 12 Romsey Future – A Vision for Romsey 2015-2035

Report of the Deputy Leader of the Council

Recommended:

That Test Valley Borough Council formally sign-up to the Romsey Future Vision document attached as an Annex to this report.

Recommended to Council

SUMMARY:

- Romsey Future is a process, established by the Council, to create a long term vision for the town. In particular, it was agreed that it would be important to have a document that helped deal with the changes that would inevitably come to the town as a consequence of the new Local Plan.
- The town has many groups and organisations that are active within the community. One of the aims of the Romsey Future process has been to provide a mechanism for these groups to together in order to agree on shared priorities. It was agreed at the outset that Romsey Future would be a partnership project made up of the voluntary, business and statutory sectors.
- It is also providing an ongoing process that brings people together to help influence and shape the town for many years to come.
- The First Romsey Future vision document has now emerged from this process and it is proposed that the Council along with other partners in the town formally sign-up to the document.

1 Introduction

- 1.1 The current process commenced in November 2013 with an independently facilitated workshop attended by 60 representatives of various organisations from across the town. People were asked to imagine what a successful Romsey would look like in 20 years time through the eyes of various family groups and importantly not from the perspective of their own organisations.
- 1.2 A number of ideas and proposed actions came out of this day. It was agreed to work these up for public consultation through the creation of themed groups made up of volunteers from those who attended the event.
- 1.3 At the same time a Romsey Future Members' Group, made up of Borough Councillors from Romsey and Romsey Extra, was established under the chairmanship of Councillor Martin Hatley. The role of the Members' Group was to oversee the work of the themed groups as ideas developed.

2 Progress to Date

- 2.1 Each themed group was asked to take an evidence-based approach to testing the outputs from the event and develop prioritised proposals. These were presented to the public at a large scale event held in Romsey Town Hall, in June 2014. Through the use of innovative marketing over 400 people attended and gave their views on the emerging ideas. People also had the opportunity on voting on their ideas for quick win projects. Consultations continued at a range of community events over the summer months of 2014.
- 2.2 Councillor Hatley established a Co-ordinating Group to start to build up the vision and main strategic aims, based on the ideas which had been generated by the public and the working groups. The Co-ordinating Group is made of key representatives from organisations that have developed the project to date. This group has been key to the development of the vision document which is attached as an Annex to this report.
- 2.3 A final public consultation on the vision and the emerging strategic themes was led by the Co-ordinating Group and took place over the summer months.

3 Additional Benefits Arising from the Romsey Future Process

- 3.1 A number of additional benefits have arisen from the Romsey Future process. These have included people in Romsey, talking beyond their normal organisational boundaries, about their ambitions for the town and surrounding areas. Additionally a number of projects have developed within the context of the Romsey Future process and have been delivered within the last 18 months. These have included:
 - A successful “Our place” bid to DCLG which resulted in a £10k award to develop the roaming “Rendezvous” concept in partnership with Carers Together. A further £5k has also been awarded from the County Council.
 - The development of a Teenage Market with £5k awarded from the Romsey Future quick win project fund.
 - Development of coach parking at the Rapids
- 3.2 Other developing projects have benefited from the ongoing input from the Romsey Future Members’ Group. These have included:
 - Improvements at Church Street
 - Improvements at Abby Garth/Pleasure Ground
 - War memorial park improvements (War Horse, Kiosk, toilets, entrance)
 - New youth building at Romsey Sports Centre

4 Next Steps

- 4.1 Following the summer consultation and final public engagement event on Saturday 12 December 2015 the Romsey Future Members' Group and the Co-ordinating group have now endorsed the attached vision document and are asking partner organisations to sign-up to the document. Additionally, the Co-ordinating group has suggested that the focus for the first year's work should be on tourism, business and in particular commissioning a study to examine on southern Test Valley's niche business offer and developing a strategic vision for the redevelopment of the south side of the town centre.

5 Options

- 5.1 The Council has led on the implementation of the Romsey Future process and has invested much effort in facilitating the development of the first vision document, in partnership with other organisations. Councillors have also been fully involved and engaged in the development of the vision document so whilst not signing up to the document is an option, it is not recommended.

6 Resource Implications

- 6.1 A number of relevant partners are being asked to sign up to the Vision document. The basis of the sign up will be that the ideas are supported as aspirations and that the funding and project development will require further work. It is envisaged that as each programme area develops it will require support financial and staff resource from a number of organisations. Any resource requirements from the Borough Council will remain within the gift of Cabinet and Council.

7 Legal Implications

- 7.1 There are no legal implications arising from this report.

8 Equality Issues

- 8.1 No equality issues have been identified in the Council signing-up to the Romsey Future vision document. As a result, a full Equality Impact Assessment has not been completed in accordance with the Council's EQIA methodology as a result.

9 Other Issues

- 9.1 Community Safety – None
- 9.2 Environmental Health Issues – None
- 9.3 Property Issues – None
- 9.4 Wards/Communities Affected – All Romsey wards and Romsey Extra

10 Conclusion

- 10.1 The First Romsey Future vision document has emerged from an inclusive process that has been led by the Borough Council. It is therefore proposed that the Council, along with other partners which work in the town, formally sign-up to the document.
- 10.2 An annual event will be held each December for stakeholders and the public to find out about progress on Romsey Future. Additional public consultations will be carried out on specific projects as they develop. In the meantime the Romsey Future Members’ Group and Co-ordinating Group will continue to exist to take forward the process.

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Romsey Future

Our town, our future



*A vision
for
Romsey*

**2015
to
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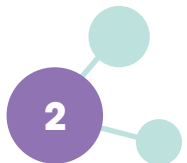
Our town, our future

– a vision for the next 20 years

Over the next 20 years, Romsey will become the place of choice for the residents of small towns and villages in Southern Test Valley to come together.

Romsey will thrive and grow, new communities will emerge and more people will visit the town centre.

The town will retain its character as a relatively compact historic market town closely related to the countryside around it.



Welcome

Romsey's strong community spirit is what makes Romsey special. We are a community which is proud of our town, we are passionate about the future of our town and we are pragmatic and enthusiastic about the part we need to play in shaping its future. In a nutshell, this is about our town, our future.

You may think that this is quite a bold statement to make, but Romsey is changing and will continue to do so over the next 20 years. As a community we have been working together to develop a plan of action to help Romsey manage this change so that the town remains at its heart a vibrant and thriving market town, both for those who live here and for those who come to visit.

It is an exciting time for our town with lots of opportunities coming as a result. However, change also brings challenges and it is therefore important that we have a shared vision for the town so that we can manage the challenges and the opportunities as they emerge.

Our journey so far has been about involving as many local people and organisations as we can to shape the vision. As a result, some really exciting ambitions for the town have been developed with the community. These focus on:



This is just the starting point. Romsey Future has been designed in a way which will mean that we continue to come together. We will work hard to encourage those who make decisions to sign up to our ambitions through our action plan, and as a community we will play our part and be active in taking forward projects that will enhance Romsey.

The Romsey Future Team
December 2015

Romsey Future – *more than just a plan*

Romsey Future sets out a long term vision for Romsey.

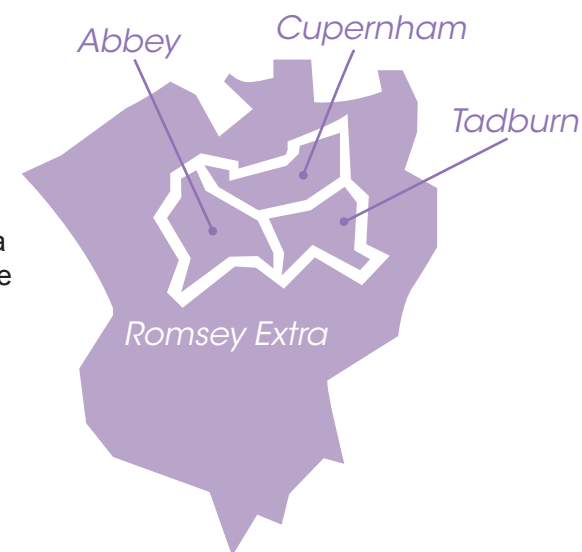
The intention is to have in place a plan of action to help Romsey deal with the changes it will face over the next 20 years.

Romsey Future is looking at the whole of Romsey, and by this we mean the wards of Abbey, Cupernham, Romsey Extra and Tadburn.

Our vision for Romsey will be delivered through a set of strategic ambitions. Each ambition has been developed as a result of local organisations and the community coming together to talk about what a successful Romsey will look like in 20 years. The vision has then been grounded by reviewing a strong evidence base of what's needed and why.

However, it's more than just a plan. Romsey Future is an active partnership of many groups and organisations working together to build consensus and deliver on shared ambitions. We will work together to deliver projects, to attract funding, and to guide future policies and strategies at a service and spatial level. From time to time we will lobby government on any barriers that are holding us back in taking forward our vision.

As a result, this document is just the starting point. Taking forward the vision and the strategic ambitions will be an ongoing process that brings people together to help influence and shape the town for many years to come.



Our Principles for Romsey Future are to:

Be *ambitious* when thinking about the future opportunities for Romsey

Be *committed* to working in partnership to move forward our shared ambitions

Be *sustainable* when developing our ideas

Be *inclusive* by bringing together all of our communities within Romsey

Be *proud* of what we achieve for our town

Romsey now and in the future

In developing the plan we have considered the key factors that will need to be addressed when managing the impact of a changing Romsey:

A changing population

More people will live in Romsey over the next 20 years. Currently 18,406 people live in Romsey and by 2021 this figure is predicted to rise to 21,754, an increase of 18%.

People are living longer and by 2021 it is anticipated that around 25% of the population in Romsey will be aged 65 and over. As a result this is likely to mean that the needs of the population and the infrastructure and services people will need to access will begin to change.

A growing town with new development and infrastructure

The projected growth in population also sits alongside the expected increase in the number of new homes to be built within southern Test Valley as set out in the Borough Local Plan. With new homes will come new facilities and infrastructure.

This will provide real opportunities for the town, but a clear plan must be in place which will help Romsey deal with this growth in a way that responds to the emerging needs of the town.

At its heart an historic market town steeped in character

The historic, natural and built environment of Romsey sets the town apart from other local town centres and is an important factor in how the town develops over the next 20 years.

Preserving the historical character will continue to be at the heart of future plans, but it will also be important to explore creative ways in which enhancements can be made that add something whilst being compatible with the historic character.

The town is also made up of several established housing developments which have been built over a number of years. Maintaining these areas is going to be important to ensure that they remain in good order and that Romsey's distinctive sense of place remains strong.

A town with a strong sense of community

Romsey is a vibrant and thriving area. Like most market towns its principal offer is to be a place where people come and meet. However, as the town develops and its population changes, it is necessary to look at what will be needed, not just now but in the future, both in terms of amenities and the future provision of services.

Enabling the community to work alongside organisations to develop joint approaches will be at the heart of Romsey Future.

Our Ambitions for Romsey

Developed over a period of two years and shaped by over a thousand local people and local organisations working together, our ambitions for Romsey will help ensure the town remains a vibrant and thriving place over the next 20 years.

Getting Around Romsey

Delivering improved access to, from and within Romsey.

Enhancing Romsey

Enhancing and maintaining all areas of Romsey so that it retains and strengthens its character and attractiveness to residents and visitors.

Enjoying Romsey

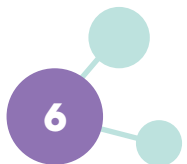
Establishing Romsey as a renowned place to visit and spend time in.

Living well in Romsey

Developing homes and communities that meet the future needs of the town.

Developing the economy in Romsey

Developing Romsey's offer as a sustainable and vibrant place where footfall increases and employment and business opportunities thrive.



Ambition 1: *Getting Around Romsey*

Our ambition is to deliver improved access to, from and within Romsey.

Being able to move around Romsey safely, efficiently and reliably forms a key part of the town's quality of life offer to residents, its quality of visit offer to tourists, and its quality of economic development offer to businesses.

The town is served by both a bus and railway station. By road, the town is connected to key destinations such as London, the South Coast and the West Country. Over the years as the town has grown, a number of important walking and cycling routes have been established to encourage easier access to and across the town.

In developing our plan for the next 20 years the following factors have been considered:

- As the town grows through new development and more people visit the town as a destination, issues such as congestion, car parking capacity and highway improvements will need to be addressed.
- As a significant proportion of the population of Romsey grows older, there is likely to be a greater demand for public and community transport as people start to use their cars less.
- As part of the global commitment to reduce carbon emissions, further infrastructure to support sustainable transport such as walking and cycling, as well as utilising new technology, will form a part of our approach.

To make our ambition a reality we will work together to:

- 1 Deliver schemes that emerge as part of the Romsey Town Access Plan and the Test Valley Access Plan.
- 2 Enhance Romsey's walking and cycling infrastructure.
- 3 Provide car parking that meets the needs of the town and the people who visit.
- 4 Improve access to and information about public and community transport.

The key stakeholders who can help deliver our ambition:

Hampshire County Council
Test Valley Borough Council
Romsey Town Council
Romsey Extra Parish Council
Romsey & District Society
Developers
Community transport providers
Public transport providers
Three Rivers Community Rail
Partnership
Transition Town Romsey
Romsey Ramblers
Sustrans
Test Valley Disability Forum
Cycle user groups
The communities of Romsey

Ambition 2: *Enhancing Romsey*

Our ambition is to enhance and maintain all areas of Romsey so that it retains its character and is ever more attractive to residents and visitors.

The historic nature of the town centre, coupled with the attractive environment that surrounds Romsey, is what sets the town apart from other areas. With the Abbey at the heart of the town, an award-winning Memorial Park and the River Test, one of the world's most important and famous chalk streams, Romsey's natural and built environment is one of its most important assets.

In developing our plan for the next 20 years the following factors have been considered:

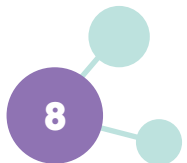
- New development will bring growth to the town. Therefore, appropriate infrastructure and facilities will need to be developed to manage the impact of this.
- For the town to continue to be a vibrant area it must ensure it is accessible and able to meet the expectations of future residents and visitors.
- As the existing residential areas of Romsey start to age, it is important to make sure that they don't decline whilst other areas benefit from new development. We must ensure that Romsey's sense of place is strengthened as a result.
- A changing climate is likely to bring new challenges in the future. Developing Romsey's resilience to managing the extremes of weather and using its resources carefully will need to form part of our onward approach.

To make our ambition a reality we will work together to:

- 1 Work with infrastructure providers to help meet future need identified through the Local Plan and Neighbourhood Plan process.
- 2 Develop a strategic design brief for the town centre to ensure consistency across schemes.
- 3 Deliver environmental enhancements to established housing developments across all of the town and in Romsey Extra.
- 4 Develop a strategic vision for the redevelopment of the south side of the town centre.
- 5 Deliver shared space enhancements to appropriate areas of the town centre which are compatible with the historic character and which make the town more accessible and attractive.
- 6 Address potential environmental risks such as flooding, as well as ensuring sensitive and proper management of our waterways, wildlife and heritage across Romsey.

The key stakeholders who can help deliver our ambition:

Hampshire County Council
Test Valley Borough Council
Romsey & District Society
Romsey Town Council
Romsey Extra Parish Council
Developers
Environment Agency
Natural England
Aster Communities and other
Registered Providers
Friends of Romsey Memorial Park
Transition Town Romsey
Romsey and District Buildings and
Preservation Trust
The communities of Romsey



Ambition 3: *Enjoying Romsey*

Our ambition is to establish Romsey as a renowned place to visit and spend time in.

Improving the number, offer, availability and awareness of a range of facilities and activities for residents and visitors is vitally important to Romsey's future economic development and the development of its communities.

Market towns are traditionally places where local people want to spend time, both to meet up with friends and family and to undertake more day-to-day activities such as shopping. Romsey's historic nature, coupled with its location at the gateway to the New Forest, means it is also a place that people want to visit.

In developing our plan for the next 20 years the following factors have been considered:

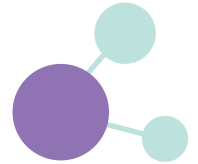
- New development will bring opportunities to develop new facilities that meet the needs of residents and visitors. Planning for this, and designing what's needed and why, is going to be an important area of work so that the right facilities are provided
- Tourism is an increasingly valuable part of the local economy, and as a result can bring new jobs and help existing businesses thrive. With over a million visits to local attractions such as the Rapids and nearby Mottisfont, Romsey's tourism offer needs to be developed, and future infrastructure requirements to support this identified.
- Romsey's population is changing. Over the next 20 years it will continue to grow and there will also be a significant proportion of people who are aged 65 and over. This means that people will need different things from the town, and facilities and services will need to evolve as the town grows and changes.

To make our ambition a reality we will work together to:

- 1 Establish Romsey as a renowned tourist destination through the development and delivery of a comprehensive Tourism Strategy.
- 2 Deliver new recreational spaces.
- 3 Update and deliver new community facilities and services that meet the future needs of the town.
- 4 Develop and sensitively manage open spaces for the benefit of people and the environment.
- 5 Use the Local Plan and Neighbourhood Plan processes to protect Romsey and its surrounding countryside.

The key stakeholders who can help deliver our ambition:

Hampshire County Council
Test Valley Borough Council
Romsey Town Council
Romsey Extra Parish Council
Romsey & District Society
Developers
Environment Agency
Valley Leisure
Tourist Information Centre
Test Valley Community Service
Tourism South East
Aster Communities and other
Registered Providers
The communities of Romsey



Ambition 4: *Living well in Romsey*

Our ambition is to develop homes and communities that meet the future needs of the town.

As the town grows it is important that there is a good mix of homes in terms of type, size and cost that addresses the aspirations of all parts of Romsey's population. Alongside this, there will be a need to continue to invest in the community of Romsey so that social action is nurtured and community spirit is further developed.

In developing our plan for the next 20 years the following factors have been considered:

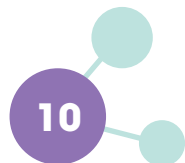
- The Borough Local Plan identifies that Romsey is going to grow with new homes being built over the next 20 years.
- The gap between house prices and income is a key issue that affects Romsey. Based on income, around 40% of the people in Romsey cannot afford to buy a home in the town.
- The population in Romsey is changing, with the biggest change being an ageing population. As people grow older their needs will change and it's important that community facilities, access to services and access to a range of homes are in place to ensure future needs are met.

To make our ambition a reality we will work together to:

- 1 Develop a shared evidence base and approach to inform and lead the future provision of homes that reflects local needs.
- 2 Develop a strategic approach to securing the resources that support the integration of new and existing communities within Romsey as the town develops.
- 3 Take a lead in lobbying government to change legislation and encouraging developers to deliver low-energy homes and reduce CO2 emissions.
- 4 Build upon the strong sense of community action in Romsey so that local people and local community organisations can work together to meet the future needs of the community.
- 5 Increase wellbeing within the community to enable people to live well for as long as possible by ensuring there is good access to the right support and services within the community.

The key stakeholders who can help deliver our ambition:

Hampshire County Council
Test Valley Borough Council
Romsey Town Council
Romsey Extra Parish Council
Aster Communities and other
Registered Providers
Developers
West Hampshire CCG
Age Concern
Carers Together
Test Valley Community Services
Youth in Romsey
The communities of Romsey



Ambition 5: *Developing the economy in Romsey*

Our ambition is to develop Romsey's offer as a sustainable and vibrant place where footfall increases and employment and business opportunities thrive.

Further developing the economy of Romsey is important both for the town's ongoing vitality and the contribution it will make to the wider sub-regional economy.

In developing our plan for the next twenty years the following issues have been considered:

- Romsey is a successful market town. The town centre economy is buoyant with very few vacant units and high numbers of independent retailers which draws people into the town. Looking forward, it will be important to further understand the role that Romsey can play as a place for niche businesses. Retaining a good retail and service mix, coupled with parking that keeps up with need, will be essential for profitable levels of footfall to be maintained.
- Unemployment in Romsey is very low. Alongside employment within the town centre there is a good mix of businesses operating locally across three industrial estates. A large number of people work outside of the town which is why there are higher levels of out commuting. As the town grows it will be important to cater for the opportunities and face the challenges that a more diverse workforce will bring.
- Romsey is a place that people come to visit. It has good leisure facilities to offer both within the town and in close proximity.
- Tourism is an increasingly important part of Romsey's economic development and this emerging opportunity is one that needs to be developed further and fully embraced.

To make our ambition a reality we will work together to:

- 1 Commission a study to examine what southern Test Valley has to offer 'niche' businesses.
- 2 Lobby the Solent Local Enterprise Partnership as to the benefits of a greater focus on Romsey.
- 3 Secure a range of opportunities that will provide different routes into employment for young people in Romsey.
- 4 Establish Romsey as a renowned tourist destination through the development and delivery of a comprehensive Tourism Strategy and investment in attractions and facilities.
- 5 Work and engage with existing and emerging businesses to shape our approach.
- 6 Use the Local Plan and Neighbourhood Plan processes to shape and influence the future retail offer in the town to ensure it supports Romsey's sustainability as a market town.

The key stakeholders who can help deliver our ambition:

Hampshire County Council
Test Valley Borough Council
Romsey Town Council
Romsey Extra Parish Council
Solent LEP
Tourist Information Centre
Romsey's tourist attractions
Chamber of Commerce
Education and training providers
The communities of Romsey

What happens next?

Romsey Future is driven by the enthusiasm and commitment of local people and local organisations working together to ensure a bright future for our town. The vision and ambitions will provide the focus for what we do next.

We will review the vision and ambitions every five years to make sure our focus is clear and that we can respond to an ever changing environment.

An initial action plan has been drawn up from the suggestions for actions and projects that have been made over the course of the Romsey Future project. This will enable us to begin to take forward and work with partners to deliver against our ambitions.

The action plan is a rolling plan and will be updated each year at the stakeholder conference where partners and the community will prioritise the things Romsey Future should be actively working on.

Strong and sustained partnership working is key to driving the work forward. Following the adoption of the action plan, programme groups will be established who will be responsible for developing the projects, sourcing funding, negotiating with service providers and developing opportunities for inward investment.

Each year we will reflect on the progress being made at an annual conference to renew our focus and agree the new and ongoing actions to deliver on our ambitions.

To find out more please contact us at romseyfuture@testvalley.gov.uk

ITEM 13

**Programme of Work for the
Overview & Scrutiny Committee**

Report of Head of Legal and Democratic Services

Recommended:

The Committee is requested to:

- 1. Review the outcomes on the work programme and recommendations update.**
- 2. Approve the future work programme.**

SUMMARY:

The purpose of this report is to enable members to keep the Committee’s future work programme and recommendations update under review.

1. Background

- 1.1 The OSCOM Work Programme is presented at Annex 1 for review and approval.
- 1.2 The OSCOM Recommendations Update is presented at Annex 2 for the Committee’s review and comments.
- 1.3 The Cabinet Work Programme is attached at Annex 3 for the Committee to consider.

Background Papers (Local Government Act 1972 Section 100D)

None

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OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY WORK PROGRAMME 2015/16

	*Scrutiny Indicator	Requested by	Purpose of Report (Responsible Officer/ Member)	Expected Outcome
2016				
17 FEBRUARY (ANDOVER)				
Public Involvement Panel Scoping Template	3	Committee	To receive the Panel’s scoping report (Cllr Drew) (15 mins)	To consider the scoping report and make recommendations as appropriate
Change to Planning Policy (briefing note)	3	Committee	To receive the Councils response to the Department of Communities & Local Government (Andy Ferrier) (20 mins)	To comment on the response
Romsey Future Update (briefing note)	4	Committee	To receive an update on progress (Corporate Director) (10 mins)	To consider progress to date
Animal Welfare Pilot Project (briefing note)	4	Committee	To receive an update on the Borough-wide pilot. (Environmental Health Manager) (20 mins)	To comment on progress and make recommendations as appropriate
Test Valley Partnership Annual Review (briefing note)	1 & 5	Committee	Review how partnership working (James Moody) (15 mins)	To consider and make recommendations as appropriate.
16 MARCH (ROMSEY)				
Presentation on local policing in Test Valley	5	Committee	To receive a presentation by the Chief Inspector (C.I Thorne/Inspector Paul Markham) (30 mins)	To comment on the presentation
Overview of the Housing and Environment Portfolio	1	Committee	To receive a presentation on the Housing and Environment Portfolio (Cllr Hawke) (30 mins)	To comment on the presentation

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Planning Panels final Report	3	Committee	To receive the final report (Cllr Adams King) (20 mins)	To comment and make rec's as appropriate
Affordable Housing Update (briefing note)	3	Committee	To receive an update on progress (Head of Housing) (15 mins)	To comment and make recommendations as appropriate
OSCOM Annual draft Briefing (briefing note)	2	Committee	To consider the OSCOM Annual Briefing (Cllr Lynn) (15 mins)	To consider and make recommendations as appropriate
13 APRIL (ROMSEY)				
Impact of restructuring of Fire Service	5	Committee	Presentation by Hampshire Fire & Rescue on the impact of restructuring (Hampshire Fire & Rescue) (60 mins)	To comment on the presentation
Presentation by the Romsey Town Centre Manager	5	Committee	Presentation by Romsey Town Centre Manager (Mark Edgerley) (30 mins)	To comment on the presentation
Audit Plan (briefing note)	2	Committee	To consider and make comment on the Annual Audit Plan (Cllr Finlay) (20 mins)	To consider and make recommendations as appropriate
OSCOM Annual Briefing (briefing note)	2	Committee	Report of the Chairman (Cllr Lynn) (15 mins)	To comment on the draft report
Review of Council Tax Support (full report)	3	Committee	To receive an update on progress (Head of Revenues) (20 mins)	To comment and make recommendations as appropriate.
10 MAY (ANDOVER)				
Presentation on Communications	2	Committee	To receive a presentation on the work of the Communications Team (Communications Manager) (30 mins)	To comment on the presentation
Andover Vision (full report)	3	Committee	To receive an update on progress (Chief Executive) (20 mins)	To comment and make recommendations as appropriate
Safeguarding Children & Vulnerable Adults (full report)	3	Committee	To review progress against the Action Plan (Head of Community and Leisure) (20 mins)	To consider and make recommendations as appropriate
Update on Recycling (briefing note)	2	Committee	To receive an update on progress (Head of Environmental Services) (15 mins)	To review progress
8 JUNE (ANDOVER)				
West Hants CCG and Andover War Memorial Community Hospital	5	Committee	To receive a presentation on the Critical Care Unit at Dummer and the Andover War Memorial Community Hospital (Heather Hauschild/Mary Edwards) (60 mins)	To comment on the presentation

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Risk Management Report (briefing note)	2	Committee	To consider the Annual Report (Principal Auditor) (15 mins)	To comment on the report
6 JULY (ROMSEY)				
Police and Crime Commissioner	5	Committee	To receive a presentation on the work of the Police and Crime Commissioner (30 mins)	To comment on the presentation
Budget Panel Report on Fees and charges (including requesting Cabinet to carry out comparison of non statutory fees with other authorities (briefing note)	4	Committee	To consider the draft Budget Panel report (Cllr Finlay) (20 mins)	Comment and make recommendations as appropriate.
Complaint Handling (briefing note)	2	Committee	To review the complaints received (Complaints and Improvement Officer) (15 mins)	To consider and make recommendations as appropriate
Annual Review of Corporate Action Plan (full report)	2	Committee	To receive an update on the Key Performance Indicators (Policy Manager) (20 mins)	To consider and make recommendations as appropriate
7 JULY (GUILDHALL) AWAYDAY				
3 AUGUST (ROMSEY)				
13 SEPTEMBER (ROMSEY)				
Community Safety Partnership (briefing note)	3	Committee	Update on the Community Safety Partnership (Head of Community and Leisure) (15 mins)	To comment and make recommendations.
Annual Review of Partnership and Shared Services (briefing note)	2	Committee	To receive an update on progress (Corporate Director) (15 mins)	Comment on the proposals and make recommendations
Equalities Scheme (briefing note)	2	Committee	To monitor and review performance (Corporate Director) (15 mins)	To comment and make recommendations as appropriate.

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12 OCTOBER (ANDOVER)				
Update by Andover Town Centre Manager	5	Committee	Update on the last 12 months by the Andover Town Centre Manager. (Chris Gregory) (30 mins)	To comment on the presentation
LSP Annual Report (briefing note)	3	Committee	Update on the Local Strategic Partnership (Policy Manager) (15 mins)	To comment and make recommendations
8 NOVEMBER (ANDOVER)				
Cemetery Rules and Regulations Review (Briefing Note)	3	Committee	To receive an update. (Head of Community and Leisure) (15 mins)	To comment and make recommendations
Valley Leisure Limited Annual Report (full report)	1	Committee	To receive the report (Head of Community and Leisure) (20 mins)	To comment and make recommendations
Budget Panel Report Draft Budget (full report)	4	Committee	To consider the draft Budget Panel report (Cllr Finlay) (20 mins)	Comment and make recommendations as appropriate.
Draft Budget Fees and Charges (full report)	4	Committee	To consider the draft Budget Panel report (Cllr Finlay) (20 mins)	Comment and make recommendations as appropriate.
Andover Levy (briefing note)	2	Committee	To review the levy (Accountancy Manager) (15 mins)	To consider and make recommendations as appropriate
7 DECEMBER (ROMSEY)				
Round table discussion Web Strategy	2	Committee	To discuss and consider the web strategy (Head of Communications)	To consider the web strategy
Update on the Council Tax Support Scheme (full report)	3	Committee	To receive an update on the Council Tax Support Scheme (Acting Head of Revenues, Benefits and Customer Services) (20 mins)	To comment and make recommendations
Andover Economy (full report)	2	Committee	To receive an update on the Andover Economy (Economic Development Officer) (20 mins)	To comment and make recommendations

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2017				
24 JANUARY (ROMSEY)				
Planning Enforcement (briefing note)	2	Committee	To receive an update on Planning Enforcement (Planning Enforcement Manager) (15 mins)	To comment and make recommendations
Update on Sustainability and Carbon Management Plan (briefing note)	2	Committee	To receive an update on the Sustainability and Carbon Management Plan (Head of Estates) (15 mins)	To comment and make recommendations

DATE TO BE AGREED				
Housing Strategy (including Homelessness Strategy and Homes Energy Conservation Act Action Plan (full report)	4	Committee	To present the position of these three Housing strategies (Head of Housing and Environmental Health) (20 mins)	To comment and make recommendations
Briefing on Devolution (full report)	5	Committee	Presentation on Devolution (20 mins)	To comment and make recommendations
Round table discussion on Tourism	3	Committee	To explore opportunities and ideas for increasing tourism	To consider ideas and opportunities
Protocol on how to engage internal audit resources for Scrutiny purposes (briefing note)	2	Committee	(Cllr Tilling/Chris Davis) (15 mins)	To comment and make recommendations
Hampshire County Waste Strategy (briefing note)	5	Committee	To update the Committee on the future of Household Recycling (Paul Wykes/HCC) (20 mins)	To comment on the presentation

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Review Area	Title	Lead Member	Progress Update	Report back to OSCOM
Economy	A Competitive Local Economy	Councillor Hamilton	As part of phase 2 of the review consideration will be given to the schemes we already provide to support business projects and initiatives in the community. All members are asked to provide information about schemes that work well in other areas that could be considered.	Review Completed
Environment	Members Role in Planning (part 2)	Councillor Tilling	The key issues raised will be picked up by the two newly established OSCOM Planning Panels.	Review Completed
Environment	Animal Welfare pilot project	Councillor Tilling	Borough Council led workshops being held in September for Parish Councils to promote the approach developed by Councillor Tilling and endorsed by OSCOM.	17 February 2016
Housing	Affordable Housing update briefing note	Councillor Page	Matter only recently reviewed at OSCOM meeting in April 2015	16 March 2016

Panel	Chairman	Progress Update	Report back to OSCOM
Community Safety Panel	Councillor Baverstock	Phase 1 complete	
Planning Advisory, Process and Planning Control Panel	Councillor Adams-King		16 March 2015
Public Involvement Panel	Councillor Drew	Scoping Template	17 February 2016

Item	Meeting Date	Officer Owner	Recommendation	Estimated Progress	Progress Update
A New Draft Corporate Plan	18 March 2015	Andy Ferrier	<p>Recommended to Cabinet that OSCOM having received the draft Corporate Plan proposed for 2015 – 19 referred it back to Cabinet with the following points for consideration:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The word “availability” to be substituted for “deliverability” in the Housing section. 2. The Ganger Farm site – the Local Plan Inspector had questioned its deliverability. 3. The Andover Encounters project should be taken out of the text as it was not an ongoing initiative. 	100%	Reported to Cabinet on 8 April 2015
Amending the Code of Conduct	18 March 2015	Bill Lynds	<p>Recommended to Cabinet:</p> <p>That the revised Code of Conduct and arrangements for dealing with complaints and particularly the text highlighted in yellow at Annex 1 of the report, including the suggested amendments mentioned in the report, be approved.</p>	100%	Reported to Cabinet on 8 April 2015
Members Role in Planning	26 March 2015	Paul Jackson	That the 32 recommendations to Cabinet be considered by officers and the findings reported back to Cabinet	100%	Cabinet accepted the majority of the recommendations of the Task & Finish Panel. Reported to OSCOM on 21 January 2015. The key issues raised will be picked up by the two newly established OSCOM Planning Panels.

Item	Meeting Date	Officer Owner	Recommendation	Estimated Progress	Progress Update
<p>OSCOM Corporate Priority Review (2011-15): A Competitive Local Economy</p>	<p>2 December 2015</p>	<p>David Gleave</p>	<p>Recommended to Cabinet:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To consider the inclusion of the ideas derived through the OSCOM review, including those raised at the round table discussion and additional forms of Member Communications, and that these ideas are taken forward through the formulation of the economic development strategy. 2. To work closer with schools and employers. 3. To review the training fund to achieve a more sustainable way of funding apprentices. 4. To review the Business Incentive Fund budget and the amount of individual grants. 	<p>50%</p>	<p>Reported to Cabinet on 16 December 2015</p> <p>Development of Strategy now underway. Final Strategy expected to be submitted to Cabinet in November 2016.</p>
<p>2016/17 Budget Update</p>	<p>20 January 2016</p>	<p>Will Fullbrook</p>	<p>Recommended to Cabinet:</p> <p>That Cabinet be advised that the Panel were open minded with regards to the two proposals to increase the Council Tax on a Band D property subject to further information becoming available.</p>		<p>Reported to Cabinet on 10 February 2015</p> <p><u>Resolved:</u></p> <p>That Cabinet be advised that the Panel were open minded with regards to the two proposals to increase the Council Tax on a Band D property subject to further information becoming available.</p>



Cabinet Work Programme

Further information

1. This is a formal notice under Regulation 9 of The Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements)(Meetings and Access to Information)(England) Regulations 2012 This edition supersedes all previous editions.
2. Documents submitted to the Cabinet or Cabinet Member(s) for decision will be in the form of a formal report, which if public and non-urgent, will be available for public inspection on this website at least 5 clear working days before the date that the decision is due to be made.
3. Background papers for such reports are listed in this Programme where their identity is known in advance of the report being written
4. Documents shown will be available from the Democratic Services Manager at Test Valley Borough Council, Beech Hurst, Weyhill Road, Andover, Hants, SP10 3AJ. They can also be contacted at admin@testvalley.gov.uk.
5. Please note that additional documents relevant to those matters mentioned in the Work Programme may be submitted to the decision maker.
6. To view details of the members of the Council's Cabinet who will be making these decisions, please click the link below:
[Cabinet Members](#)

Whilst the majority of the Cabinet's business at the meetings listed in this Forward Plan will be open to the public and media organisations to attend, there will inevitably be some business to be considered that contains, for example, confidential, commercially sensitive or personal information.

This is formal notice under The Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012 that part of the Cabinet meetings listed in this Forward Plan may be held in private because the agenda and reports for the meeting will contain exempt information under Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985 (as amended) and that the public interest in withholding the information outweighs the public interest in disclosing it.

If you have any questions, would like further information or wish to make representations in relation to part of a meeting being held in private, please email the Democratic Services Manager at admin@testvalley.gov.uk or visit them at Beech Hurst, Weyhill Road, Andover SP10 3AJ

KEY DECISIONS

A key decision is one which is likely

1. 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

2. to be significant in terms of its effect on communities living or working in an area comprising two or more wards or electoral divisions in the area of the local authority.

The Council's thresholds are

a.	Decisions on spending which are within the annual budgets approved by the Council	NO THRESHOLD	NOT KEY DECISION
b.	Decisions on spending above £50,000 included, with reservations, in the annual budget.		ALL KEY DECISIONS
c.	Decisions on cash flow, investments and borrowings.	NO THRESHOLD	NOT KEY DECISION
d.	Decisions for spending beyond any approved budget.	SPENDING EXCESS OF £50,000 PER ITEM IS A KEY DECISION	

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Date of Decision Date Location	ITEM	Key Decision	Decision-maker and title if any	May include information which is not to be made public*	Documents to be Submitted for Consideration	Head of Service
10 Feb 16 (A)	Revenue Budget & Council Tax Proposals - to consider the revenue budget and level of Council Tax to be set for the following financial year and the revised budget for the current financial year.	No	Cabinet	No	Report of the Economic Portfolio Holder	Head of Finance
10 Feb 16 (A)	Capital Programme Update - to provide an update on the expected phasing and total cost of the approved Capital Programme.	No	Council	No	Report of the Economic Portfolio Holder	Head of Finance
10 Feb 16 (A)	Treasury Management Strategy - to consider the Treasury Management Strategy for the following financial year.	No	Council	No	Report of the Economic Portfolio Holder	Head of Finance
10 Feb 16 (A)	Appointment of Deputy Monitoring Officer	No	Council	No	Report of the Corporate Portfolio Holder	Head of Legal and Democratic Services
10 Feb 16 (A)	Mobile Home Sites – fees	No	Cabinet	No	Report of the Housing and Environmental Health Portfolio Holder	Head of Housing and Environmental Health
10 Feb 16 (A)	Romsey Future – A Vision for Romsey 2015-2035	No	Cabinet	No	Report of Planning Policy and Transport Portfolio Holder	Corporate Director

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Date of Decision Date Location	ITEM	Key Decision	Decision-maker and title if any	May include information which is not to be made public*	Documents to be Submitted for Consideration	Head of Service
9 Mar 16 (R)	Write off of Uncollectable Debts	No	Cabinet	No	Report of the Economic Portfolio Holder	Acting Head of Revenues (Local Taxation)
9 Mar 16 (R)	Devolution for the People of Hampshire and Isle of Wight	No	Cabinet	No	Leader	Chief Executive
6 Apr 16 (R)	Carry Forward of Unspent Revenue Budget – to approve the carry forward of unspent revenue estimates into the new financial year.	No	Cabinet	No	Report of the Economic Portfolio Holder	Head of Finance
6 Apr 16 (R)	Housing Strategy	Yes	Council	No	Report of the Housing and Environmental Health Portfolio Holder	Head of Housing and Environmental Health
6 Apr 16 (R)	Homelessness Strategy	Yes	Council	No	Report of the Housing and Environmental Health Portfolio Holder	Head of Housing and Environmental Health
6 Apr 16 (R)	Homes Energy Conservation Act (HECA) Action Plan	Yes	Council	No	Report of the Housing and Environmental Health Portfolio Holder	Head of Housing and Environmental Health
6 April 16 (R)	Hampshire Alliance for Rural Affordable Housing (HARAH) – new preferred delivery partner(s)	Yes	Cabinet	No	Report of the Housing and Environmental Health Portfolio Holder	Head of Housing and Environmental Health

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22 Jun 16 (A)	Leisure Centre Contract Shortlist Candidates	No	Cabinet	Yes	Report of the Community and Leisure Portfolio Holder	Head of Community and Leisure
22 Jun 16 (A)	Capital Outturn – to present and analyse the final capital position for the last financial year.	No	Cabinet	No	Report of the Economic Portfolio Holder	Head of Finance
22 Jun 16 (A)	Revenue Outturn – to present and analyse the final revenue position for the last financial year.	No	Cabinet	No	Report of the Economic Portfolio Holder	Head of Finance
22 Jun 16 (A)	Treasury Management Outturn – to review the activities of the Treasury Management function during the last financial year.	No	Council	No	Report of the Economic Portfolio Holder	Head of Finance
22 Jun 16 (A)	Asset Management Outturn - to review the works completed as part of the Asset Management Plan during the last financial year.	No	Council	No	Report of the Economic Portfolio Holder	Head of Finance
7 Sept 16 (R)	Corporate Financial Monitoring - compares actual revenue income and expenditure against profiled budget for the first four months of the financial year with explanations of significant variances.	No	Council	No	Report of the Economic Portfolio Holder	Head of Finance
2 Nov 16 (R)	Budget Strategy - includes an update of the Medium Term Financial Strategy and considers initial budget proposals for the next financial year and the process and timetable for the preparation of the Estimates.	No	Cabinet	No	Report of the Economic Portfolio Holder	Head of Finance

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2 Nov 16 (R)	Fees and Charges – to consider the annual changes to fees and charges for the next financial year.	No	Cabinet	No	Report of the Economic Portfolio Holder	Head of Finance
2 Nov 16 (R)	Second Quarter Corporate Financial Monitoring - compares actual revenue income and expenditure against profiled budget for the year to date with explanations of significant variances.	No	Council	No	Report of the Economic Portfolio Holder	Head of Finance
2 Nov 16 (R)	Appointment of Preferred Bidder for Leisure Centre Contract	No	Cabinet	Yes	Report of the Community and Leisure Portfolio Holder	Head of Community and Leisure
30 Nov 16 (R)	Asset Management Plan Update - to review progress of the current year's projects and recommend the works to be included in the Asset Management Plan for the following financial year.	No	Council	No	Report of the Economic Portfolio Holder	Head of Finance
30 Nov 16 (R)	Capital Programme update – to consider the current position of existing capital projects and new bids.	No	Council	No	Report of the Economic Portfolio Holder	Head of Finance

* Members of the public will be excluded from the discussion during the consideration of these reports in the event that they contain information which is not to be made public in accordance with the relevant legal provisions.

MOVED/DELETED ITEMS

Original Date Of Decision	Item	Moved/Deleted	Reason For Move/Deletion	Informed By	Date Informed
25 Nov 15	Devolution for the People of Hampshire and the Isle of Wight	Moved to 16 Dec 15	Awaiting more information	Democratic Services Manager	2 Nov 15
17 Dec 15	Housing Strategy	Moved to 6 April 16	Awaiting more information	Head of Housing and Environmental Health	10 Nov 15
17 Dec 15	Homelessness Strategy	Moved to 6 April 16	Awaiting more information	Head of Housing and Environmental Health	10 Nov 15

ARRANGEMENTS FOR MAKING REPRESENTATIONS TO THE CABINET REGARDING DECISIONS CONTAINED WITHIN THE FORWARD PLAN

PUBLIC: A member of the public may address the Cabinet in accordance with the Public Participation Scheme. Notice must be given to the Democratic Services Manager by noon on the day before the meeting.

Members of the public are welcome to write to the appropriate Head of Service as listed in the last column of the Work Programme on any matter where a decision is to be made.