CURRENT ACTIVITIES

STUDY	OBJECTIVES	PANEL	STATUS
Delivery of Advisory Services Across the District	To monitor the performance of the voluntary organisations awarded grant aid by the Council in 2013 – 2015.	Social Well-Being	Annual performance report considered by Panel in June 2014.
	To discuss on funding arrangements for the final year of the Voluntary sector agreements.		
Housing and Council Tax Benefit Changes and the Potential Impact Upon Huntingdonshire	To monitor the effect of Government changes to the Housing Benefit System arising from the Welfare Reform Act.	Social Well-Being	The Panel received the latest six-monthly report on the effect of the Government's Welfare Reform programme and how it impacts on households in Huntingdonshire. Further updates will be provided when circumstances require it.
Flood Prevention within the District	To investigate flood prevention arrangements in the District and the impact of flooding on associated local policy developments.	Environmental Well-Being	Representatives from the Environment Agency delivered a presentation on flood risk management within Huntingdonshire. A scoping report was considered by the Panel in April 2014 and a Working Group was appointed. The Chief Executive and Clerk to the Middle Level Commissioners delivered a presentation to the Panel's June 2014 meeting to outline their role with flood alleviation in the District. Meeting of the Working Group to be arranged to consider a Flooding and Water SPD for Cambridgeshire.
Waste Collection Policies	To assist the Head of Operations and Executive Member for Operations & Environment with reviewing waste collection policies in relation to the collection points for wheeled bins/sacks and remote properties (farms and lodges).	Environmental Well-Being	First meeting of Working Group held on 24 th June 2014. Further meeting to be arranged to consider the outcome of the survey work being undertaken by the Operations Division on affected properties and various other matters.

Litter Policies and Practices (to include graffiti removal)	To consider and make recommendations on future litter and graffiti service scope and standards and on public appetite for changes		Scoping report received. Working Group appointed. First Meeting to be arranged.
Affordable Housing	To make recommendations for the next Housing Strategy 2016-19 by considering and making recommendations on ways to deliver affordable housing, including through the rural and enabled exceptions policy of the Local Plan and through the Community Land Trust.	Social Well-Being	Second meeting held. Relevant potential policies in new Local Plan reviewed and recommendations made. Study programme agreed. Next meeting to be held to review: Rural housing programme – past and future Community Land Trust model Ways to increase awareness / take up Work of Foundation East