10<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2009

## PROGRESS TO DATE (Report by the Head of Administration)

## 1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 The Panel have asked for the submission of a brief progress report to their monthly meetings to monitor action taken and the response to any recommendations which they have made.

#### 2. PROGRESS REPORT

2.1 The monthly progress report therefore is attached which covers all outstanding items. Actions previously reported upon as having been completed have been deleted from the report as the process rolls forward. The report is in tabular form and comprises a brief synopsis of the Panel's decisions and the subsequent action taken.

## 3. CONCLUSION

3.1 The Panel are requested to note the contents of the attached report.

# **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

Minutes and Reports of the Overview & Scrutiny Panel (Planning and Finance/ Service Support)

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Panel Date	<u>Decision</u>	Action	<u>Response</u>	<u>Date</u>
	HEAVY GOODS VEHICLE PARKING IN THE DISTRICT			
10/06/08	Endorsed the Working Group's report and recommendations for submission of the Cabinet.	Recommendations endorsed by the Cabinet at their meeting on 26 <sup>th</sup> June 2008.	Agreed with Chairman / Vice Chairman that issue be taken forward by the Freight Quality Partnership. Matter included for discussion on agenda for LAA Reference	
			Group.	
09/09/08	Head of Administration was asked to establish the current position with regard to the Panel's recommendations following their referral to the Freight Quality Partnership.		Update to be circulated at January meeting. Three County Group established to pool information and develop a strategy for future provision post 2015.	Jan 09
13/01/09	The outcome of discussions at the first meeting of the three county group to be reported.	Information on Alconbury Site provided to February meeting. Further information on the outcome of 3 county group still awaited.		

	PETITION BY ST AUDREY LANE AREA RESIDENTS, ST IVES		
08/07/08	Representatives from Anglian Water in attendance at Panel's July meeting. Requested that an update be provided in 6 months time and that residents be informed of the outcome of their investigations.	CCTV survey of St Audrey Lane and Pig Lane Surface Water sewer completed. Funding now available to Jet Sewer – will be carried out shortly.	
10/02/09	.Panel made aware of further problems in recent weather. Agreed to seek further update as to what work has and hasn't bee completed.		

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	PETITION TO CONTROL COMMUTER PARKING IN THE LONGSANDS AREA OF STNEOTS			
14/10/08	Chairman to write to the Chairman of Huntingdonshire Traffic Management Area Joint Committee outlining the Panel's concerns and requesting that the matter be progressed at the earliest opportunity.	Update provided to February meeting. Further investigative work being undertaken by the County Council in advance of April Area Joint Committee. Further update expected in April 2009.		April 2009
	A representative from First Capital Connect to be invited to attend a future meeting to discuss their expansion plans for the car parks at Huntingdon and St Neots.	Letter sent 21/10/08	Item deferred until a later date. TBC. District Council still awaiting a response from the Minister on the issue of permitted development.	Spring 2009
12/02/08	<b>CYCLING IN HUNTINGDONSHIRE</b> Endorsed the Working Group's report and recommendations for submission of the Cabinet and requested that the study recommendations be placed on the progress report for future monitoring. [Recommendations are appended to this report].	Considered by the Cabinet at their meeting on 12 <sup>th</sup> February 2008. Cabinet noted the recommendations and requested a further report by officers addressing the wider issue of Section 106 funding and partnership working. Agreed that discussions should be held with Cambridgeshire County Council regarding their offer to update the Huntingdonshire Cycling Strategy and the issue of partnership working on cycling provision.	Report updating the Panel on the current position the review of the Cycling Strategy and the provision for funding for Huntingdonshire in the LTP included on Agenda for the meeting for June 08 meeting.	June 08
10/06/08	Asked the Transportation Team Leader to email all Members of the Council asking about any specific issues with regard to cycle routes in their wards. Requested sight of the draft report on the prioritisation of cycle schemes before any consideration by the AJC.	Since the June Panel meeting, it has come to light that the list of potential cycle routes have already been scored and prioritised. A report will be considered by the AJC at their meeting on 7 <sup>th</sup> July 2008, seeking ratification of the cycle routes as scored. Requests have been made for reviews to be undertaken annually, with the first review with Members to start in the autumn.	AJC. District Council members will be contacted before the next review in Summer 2009 to ask about specific issues	Spring 2009

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	MAXIMISING COUNCIL INCOME			
09/09/08	Appointed Councillors P J Downes, L W McGuire and R J West to a Working Group for the purpose of undertaking the above review.	2008 to discuss recent reviews by the Internal Audit Service on income	11 <sup>th</sup> March 2009 with External Funding Officer and Head of	Mar 09

	CORPORATE PLAN – GROWING SUCCESS			
14/05/08	Councillors M G Baker, J A Gray and R G Tuplin appointed to Corporate Plan Working Group.	Quarterly reports submitted to Overview & Scrutiny.	Quarterly meeting held on 26 <sup>th</sup> February 2009. Report to be submitted to Panel's March meeting.	

	LOCAL AREA AGREEMENTS		
15/01/08	Minutes of future meetings of the Cambridgeshire Together Joint Accountability Committee should be circulated to all Panel Members.		Feb 09
14/05/08	Councillor J A Gray appointed to Joint Accountability Committee. Substitute members to be appointed in consultation with Head of Administration.		

	REVIEW OF LOCAL PROCUREMENT		
14/10/08	Agreed to hold further meeting with business representatives in the New Year.	Meeting to be held on 12 <sup>th</sup> March 2009 at 4pm. Councillor M G Baker to chair.	Mar 09

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13/01/09	<b>LICENSING ACT – IMPACT ON NIGHTTIME</b> <b>ECONOMY</b> Subject to an amendment to one of the recommendations, the Panel endorsed the final report for consideration by the Cabinet at their meeting on 29 <sup>th</sup> January 2009.	meeting on 29 <sup>th</sup> January 2009.		
	Agreed to re-visit the study towards the end of the year to review progress made towards achievement of the countywide action plan, the night watch project and the availability of statistics from Hinchingbrooke Hospital on alcohol related accidents and emergency treatment.			Nov 09

	MONITORING OF SECTION 106 AGREEMENTS		
14/04/05	Quarterly reports to be submitted to the Panel.	Next report due March 2009	Mar 09
10/02/09	Subject to minor amendments endorsed the Final report for consideration by the Cabinet at their meeting on 12 <sup>th</sup> March 2009.		Feb 09

	REGIONAL SCALE SETTLEMENT STUDY	
10/02/08	Head of Planning Services to report back on outcome of Cambridgeshire Development Study and HDC response to Regional Scale Settlement Study,	ТВА

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	FORWARD PLAN			
09/10/07	Huntingdon West Area Action Plan Requested that the report should be considered at a future meeting of the Panel.			Apr 09
13/11/07	Parish Plans and Local Plan Policy Circulate report when this becomes available.			ТВА
08/07/08	<b>Proposals for Huntingdon Riverside Park</b> Requested that report should be considered at a future meeting of the Panel.			Apr 09
08/07/08	<b>Developer Contributions SPD</b> Requested that report should be considered at a future meeting of the Panel.			Apr 09
14/10/08	<b>A14 Statutory Orders – Consultations</b> Requested that the report should be considered at a future meeting of the Panel.			June 09
13/01/09	<b>Report of the Structure Review Working Group</b> Requested that the report should be considered at a future meeting of the Panel.			Apr 09
	<b>Masterplan for land east of Sapley Square</b> Requested that the report should be considered at a future meeting of the Panel.			Apr 09
	<b>Great Fen Masterplan</b> Requested that the report should be considered at a future meeting of the Panel.			Apr 09

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	GREAT FEN PROJECT		
08/07/08	Director of Environmental & Community Services to make presentation to future meeting. All Scrutiny Members to be invited.		
11/11/08	Report on the content of the collaboration agreement to be submitted to a future Panel meeting before its consideration by Cabinet.		Apr 09

#### **RECOMMENDATIONS ARISING FROM CYCLING IN HUNTINGDONSHIRE**

- (a) that the offer by the County Council to update the Council's existing cycling strategy and to prepare an action plan for its implementation be welcomed and officers requested to conclude this work within the next six months;
- (b) that, following completion of the strategy and action plan, specific contributions be sought in Section 106 Agreements for cycleway provision in Huntingdonshire in appropriate cases;
- (c) that contributions negotiated under (b) above be retained by the District Council for expenditure on implementation of the cycling strategy action plan;
- (d) that the District Council seek the allocation of specific funding through the Local Transport Plan for cycleway provision in Huntingdonshire;
- (e) that the approval of individual cycleway schemes continue to be the responsibility of the Huntingdonshire Traffic Management Area Joint Committee with District Council expenditure continuing to be allocated on a scheme by scheme basis.