

## **COMMISSION'S WORK PROGRAMME AND CABINET FORWARD PLAN**

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### **What is the Commission being asked to do?**

The Commission is asked to

- (i) note this update on the Work Programme as a whole;
- (ii) identify any topics from the Cabinet Forward Plan that require review by the Commission at a future meeting, ahead of any item scheduled for consideration by Cabinet; and
- (iii) note the current position with regard to the Task and Finish Groups.

### **Task and Finish Groups**

The Commission is permitted (under the Constitution) to establish four Task and Finish Groups at any one time (not including joint Task and Finish Groups).

The current position regarding the two established Task and Finish Groups is as follows:

- **Local Plan Task and Finish Group**

The Local Plan Task and Finish Group has met on a number of occasions to review the ongoing preparation of the Plan. This included reviewing the draft proposals for Princes Risborough in early 2016, the draft main Local Plan in the middle of 2016, and subsequently discussing the initial outputs from that consultation and the main issues arising in September.

It is proposed that the Group meet on one more occasion around May 2017 to review the emerging final proposals for the Plan, that will take account of the response to the earlier consultations and latest technical work that has been undertaken. The Plan will be presented to Cabinet in July and the on to Full Council for approval, prior to publishing it for statutory consultation before it is submitted to the Planning Inspector for examination.

- **Handy Cross Traffic Management Task and Finish Group**

At the meeting of the Commission on 11 January 2017 Members agreed to the set-up of the Handy Cross Traffic Management Task and Finish Group to be carried out in partnership with Buckinghamshire County Council Members namely members of the BCC Transport, Environment & Community Select Committee (the BCC's scrutiny body). Councillor Mark Harris having been appointed Chairman.

We are aware that the BCC Select Committee Membership is problematic until after the May BCC elections, the line-up of BCC's Transport, Environment & Communities Select Committee from which BCC membership of the TFG will probably be drawn will not be known until then.

As a result it is not proposed that the Group start its work until June, however we are pencilling dates into members' and officers' diaries with the following sessions being considered:

- One session for the BCC Transport Cabinet Member (Currently Cllr Mark Shaw) + officers and contractors. To also cover High Heaven Waste Transfer Station traffic movements, HS2 update + Coachway update;
- A session for Highways England;
- Final session to draw up recommendations.

WDC Volunteer Members are also currently being established; importantly with key Local Members.

### **Proposing new Review Topics**

If at any time Commission Members wish to suggest further topics for the Commission's consideration then please complete and return the new Work Programme Suggestion Form (**Appendix C**) to the Democratic Services section for consideration at a future meeting of the Commission.

No suggestions have previously been received for consideration at this meeting.  
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For items coming to meetings of the Commission that are not the subject of a Task and Finish Group, please see the table in **Appendix A**, the current active Task and Finish Groups are also featured in this document in the Gantt chart at the end.

### **Cabinet Forward Plan**

The Commission is also asked to consider the draft Cabinet Forward Plan published on 9 February 2017 (**Appendix B**). The purpose of submitting the Forward Plan to the Commission; is so that Members can review forthcoming items and highlight any reports that the Commission would like to consider ahead of Cabinet consideration.