

Joint Executive (Cabinet) Committee



Forest Heath
District Council

Title of Report:	Report of Forest Heath's Overview and Scrutiny Committee: 13 September 2018	
Report No:	CAB/JT/18/034	
Report to and date:	Joint Executive (Cabinet) Committee	2 October 2018
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Purpose of report:	On 13 September 2018, the Overview and Scrutiny Committee considered the following items: (1) Annual Presentation by the Cabinet Member for Planning and Growth; (2) Joint Executive (Cabinet) Decisions Plan: 1 October 2018 to 31 March 2019 (3) Shadow Executive (Cabinet) Decisions Plan: 1 September 2018 to 6 May 2019 (4) Work Programme.	
Recommendation:	The Joint Executive (Cabinet) Committee is requested to <u>NOTE</u> the contents of Report CAB/JT/18/034, being the report of the FHDC Overview and Scrutiny Committee.	

Key Decision: <i>(Check the appropriate box and delete all those that do not apply.)</i>		<i>Is this a Key Decision and, if so, under which definition?</i> Yes, it is a Key Decision - <input type="checkbox"/> No, it is not a Key Decision - <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Report for information only.	
Consultation:		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • See Reports listed under background papers below 	
Alternative option(s):		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • See Reports listed under background papers below 	
Implications:			
<i>Are there any financial implications? If yes, please give details</i>		Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • See Reports listed under background papers below 	
<i>Are there any staffing implications? If yes, please give details</i>		Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • See Reports listed under background papers below 	
<i>Are there any ICT implications? If yes, please give details</i>		Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • See Reports listed under background papers below 	
<i>Are there any legal and/or policy implications? If yes, please give details</i>		Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • See Reports listed under background papers below 	
<i>Are there any equality implications? If yes, please give details</i>		Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • See Reports listed under background papers below 	
Risk/opportunity assessment:		<i>(potential hazards or opportunities affecting corporate, service or project objectives)</i>	
Risk area	Inherent level of risk (before controls)	Controls	Residual risk (after controls)
See Reports listed under background papers below			
Wards affected:		All Wards	
Background papers:		Please see background papers, which are listed at the end of the report.	
Documents attached:		None	

1. Key issues and reasons for recommendation

1.1 Annual Presentation by the Lead Cabinet Member for Planning and Growth (Report No: OAS/FH/18/025)

1.1.1 The Cabinet Member for Planning and Growth, Councillor Lance Stanbury was invited back to give an annual update on his portfolio. Report No: OAS/FH/18/025 set out the focus for the annual update.

1.1.2 Prior to the meeting taking place, the Cabinet Member was provided with some key questions from Scrutiny Members on what they would like included in the update, and responses were set out the report.

1.1.3 The Committee asked a number of follow-up questions relating to building control (enforcement/breaches); tourism (promoting what's on offer in West Suffolk); the A11 Tech corridor (work in progress); growth and regeneration (dual electric train line between Newmarket and Cambridge); and town centres (reinventing our high streets), to which comprehensive responses were provided.

1.1.4 There being no decision required, the Committee **noted** the annual update.

1.2 Joint Executive (Cabinet) Decisions Plan: 1 October 2018 to 31 March 2019 (Report No: OAS/FH/18/026)

1.2.1 The Committee received the latest version of the Decisions Plan, covering the period 1 October 2018 to 31 March 2019.

1.2.2 The Committee considered the Decisions Plan and asked a question in relation to the "Annual Review of the Performance of the Council's Solar Farm", scheduled to be presented to Cabinet on 2 October 2018, to which the Assistant Director (Planning and Regulatory) duly responded.

1.2.3 There being no decision required, the Committee **noted** the contents of the Decisions Plan.

1.3 Shadow Executive (Cabinet) Decisions Plan: 1 September 2018 to 6 May 2019 (Report No: OAS/FH/18/027)

1.3.1 The Committee considered the Shadow Executive (Cabinet) Decisions Plan, covering the period 1 September 2018 to 6 May 2019. There being no decision required, the Committee **noted** the contents of the Decisions Plan.

1.4 Work Programme Update (Report No: OAS/FH/18/028)

1.4.1 The Committee received and **noted** Report No: OAS/FH/18/028, which provided an update on the current status of the Committee's Work Programme for 2018-2019, which included current Joint Task and Finish Group(s).

1.4.2 The report also requested that Members identify questions they would like the Cabinet Member for Operations to cover in his annual report to the Committee on 8 November 2018.

- 1.4.3 The Committee was also invited to observe the St Edmundsbury Overview and Scrutiny Committee's Extraordinary meeting on 31 October 2018 when the Suffolk County Council Cabinet Member for Highways and Transport would be attending to update members on progress made in relation to recommendations made at the SEBC Extraordinary Overview and Scrutiny Committee meeting held on 25 October 2017.

2. Background Papers

- 2.1.1 Report No: [OAS/FH/18/025](#) to the Overview and Scrutiny Committee: Annual Presentation by the Cabinet Member for Planning and Growth
- 2.1.2 Report No: [OAS/FH/18/026](#) and [Appendix 1](#) to the Overview and Scrutiny Committee: Joint Executive (Cabinet) Decisions Plan: 1 October 2018 to 31 March 2019
- 2.1.3 Report No: [OAS/FH/18/027](#) and [Appendix 1](#) to the Overview and Scrutiny Committee: Shadow Executive (Cabinet) Decisions Plan: 1 September 2018 to 6 May 2019
- 2.1.4 Report No: [OAS/FH/18/028](#) and [Appendix 1](#) to the Overview and Scrutiny Committee: Work Programme Update