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The Chair and Members of Enterprise  
and Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee

27 January 2021

Dear Councillor,

Please attend a meeting of the ENTERPRISE AND WELLBEING SCRUTINY COMMITTEE to be held on THURSDAY, 4 FEBRUARY 2021 at 5.00 pm in via Microsoft Teams, the agenda for which is set out below.

This meeting will be held virtually via Microsoft Teams software, for which members of the Committee and others in attendance will receive an invitation. Members of the public will be able to access Part 1 (Public Information) of the meeting online by following the link [here](#)

AGENDA

Part 1(Public Information)

1. Declarations of Members' And Officers' Interests Relating To Items On The Agenda
2. Apologies for Absence
3. Cabinet Member for Health and Wellbeing - Review of Domestic Recycling (Pages 3 - 6)

5.05pm – report attached

4. Scrutiny Monitoring (Pages 7 - 26)

5.35pm

- a) Skills Scrutiny Project Group – Schedule attached
- b) Use of Former Queen's Park Sports Centre Project Group – Schedule attached
- c) Scrutiny Committee Recommendations – Implementation Monitoring Schedule attached

5. Forward Plan

6.05pm - The latest version of the Forward Plan of Key Decisions is available via the link below:

[Forward Plan](#)

6. Work Programme for the Enterprise and Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee (Pages 27 - 28)

6.10pm – Enterprise and Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee work programme for 2020/21 attached

7. Minutes (Pages 29 - 32)

6.15pm – Draft minutes of the Enterprise and Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee held on 3<sup>rd</sup> December, 2020 attached

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Randy', written in a cursive style.

Local Government and Regulatory Law Manager and Monitoring Officer

## Enterprise and Wellbeing Committee Review of Domestic Recycling

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Meeting: Enterprise and Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee

Date: 4 February 2021

Cabinet portfolio: Councillor Jill Mannion-Brunt

Report by: Environmental Services Manager

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### For publication

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#### Current recycling rates.

Below is a table which shows the current rates of domestic recycling in the Borough as well as some information regarding the amount of domestic residual waste each household produces. The amount of material recycled has increased but so has the amount of residual (grey bin) waste produced by each household. We are recycling more material, which should mean an increase in our recycling rate percentage. Unfortunately, we are also producing an increased amount of residual waste. When we compare one against the other we see a slight decrease (0.7%) in the overall percentage of our domestic waste which is recycled. Our challenge going forward is to see more of the residual waste being recycled and an overall reduction in the amount of residual waste produced.

	2018-19	2019-20		
Number of Households	49,340	49,440		
Total Household Waste Collected	38,333	40,433	↑	😞
Tonnage Recycled and Composted	16,891	17,537	↑	😊
Recycling and Composting Rate	44.10%	43.40%	↓	😞
For Info:				
	2018-19	2019-20		
Tonnage Dry Recycling	7,235	7,604	↑	😊
Percentage Recycled	18.88%	18.81%		
Tonnage Composting	9,611	9,866	↑	😊
Percentage Composted	25.07%	24.40%		
Tonnage of Residual Waste	21,442	22,897	↑	😞
Residual per Household KG	434.59	463.12	↑	😞

## Recycling through the pandemic

The table below shows the amount of domestic recycling generated on a month by month basis through 2019 and 2020. MDR stands for mixed dry recycling and is the material placed in the body of the blue bins and glass is the material placed in the caddy. The yellow highlighted amounts show where there were marked increases from the same month in 2019.

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
MDR 2019	700.52	510.64	552.32	547.26	583.58	514.76	595.06	556.62	516.84	596.56	554.44	601.05
MDR 2020	707.76	512.6	621.6	661.98	574.58	675.12	636.5	542.06	584.98	547.46	594.18	598
GLASS 2019	217.28	139.8	147.3	152.62	150.2	130.82	162.58	154.4	147.16	132	135.94	152.22
GLASS 2020	185.78	117.68	146.1	197.7	185.24	187.34	210.22	168.12	149.32	135.78	127.86	124.7

The first National lockdown began on the 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2020 and lasted until early July 2020. The amount of MDR – mostly card/packaging generated by home deliveries - is thought to account for the large increases during that period. There are notable increases in glass for the same time period. As people were

confined to home this increase is thought to relate to people eating and drinking more at home than would normally be the case. This theory is supported by the drop in glass being presented for recycling August to September when there were limited opportunities to make use of hospitality venues such as pubs and venues.

Traditionally a spike in MDR is seen in December and January related to Christmas shopping. In 2020 the spike occurred in November. This is believed to be due to people buying items online earlier than usual and in greater quantities coupled with the expectation of tighter restrictions. January 2021 figures were not available at the time of writing.

### **Some Comparisons with Neighbouring Authorities.**

The most up to date national information for all councils is for 2019, 2020 is yet to be published. This information records the recycling rate for 345 councils. Chesterfields recycling rate places it at position 148 in that list. The English overall figure for this period was 43.5%

Below is a table with the information for some of our nearest neighbours.

<b>Position</b>	<b>Authority</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
148	Chesterfield	44.1
112	NEDCC	47.2
206	Bolsover	40.3
300	Sheffield	31
9	Derbyshire Dales	59.6
283	Amber Valley	32.9
228	Derby City	38.8
284	Mansfield	32

The English overall figure for this period was 43.5%. The government National target for 2020 was for 50% of household waste to be recycled. 83 councils achieved at least 50%.

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## **SCRUTINY PROGRESS MONITORING REPORT ON: SKILLS**

**Enterprise and Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee: 4<sup>th</sup> February 2021.**

The purpose of this report is to provide an update on the progress in implementing recommendations of the Enterprise and Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee from its scrutiny project work on the Skills – approved at **Enterprise and Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee (5 February, 2019 – Minute No. 48)**.

<b>Recommendation 1</b> - That quarterly meetings between the Economic Development team and Planning team to discuss large planning applications be established to reflect the increase in applications.				
<b>Action</b>	<b>Responsibility / Implementation by:</b>	<b>Resources Needed / Available</b>	<b>Target Date</b>	<b>Achievement / Completed</b>
As per recommendation	Assistant Director – Economic Growth/ Senior Economic Development Officer/ Development Management and Conservation Manager	Within existing resources	September 2019	Activity under this recommendation has been completed and is ongoing: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- The Economic Development Unit regularly meet with the planning team to discuss large planning applications.</li><li>- In addition, Economic Development's Business Enquiries and Marketing Officer provides an update of new applications on a monthly basis.</li><li>- This activity is reflected in positive outcomes resulting from 'local labour activity':</li><li>- To date for 2020/21 - £15.48m local</li></ul>

				contracts, 279 jobs, 36 apprenticeships enabled and a range of other positive outcomes including careers development support, work experience and social value projects (Note – The monitoring deadline for Q3 is 29.1.21, therefore this number is likely to increase)
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**Recommendation 2** - That smaller developments be encouraged to undertake best practice in supporting the local skills and employment agenda by developing and publishing guidance on maximising skills and employment opportunities on small developments.

Action	Responsibility / Implementation by:	Resources Needed / Available	Target Date	Achievement / Completed
As per recommendation	Assistant Director – Economic Growth/ Senior Economic Development Officer	Within existing resources	September 2019	Activity under this recommendation has been completed and is ongoing: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Case studies and video assets have been developed to show positive impact of skills and employment plans linked to major sites (e.g. an article featuring Woodhead Group will appear in the next Your Chesterfield, <a href="#">Women in Construction Mentoring Project</a>)</li> <li>- CITB contractor and developer guidance is used to guide developers. The guidance sets out clear benchmarks for supply chain, training, and employment outputs in relation to type and value of the scheme.</li> </ul>



				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Developer guidance has been updated to reflect new local plan and the Skills Delivery officer is currently reviewing how the guidance can be reflected more visually for use within communication, marketing, and web-based materials.</li> </ul>
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**Recommendation 3** - That the Apprentice Town web resource includes guidance for employers and education providers on what a good apprenticeship looks like.

Action	Responsibility / Implementation by:	Resources Needed / Available	Target Date	Achievement / Completed
As per recommendation	Assistant Director – Economic Growth/ Senior Economic Development Officer (Destination Chesterfield – Apprentice Town Web Resource)	Within existing resources – support from Destination Chesterfield	September 2019	<p>Activity under this recommendation has been completed and is ongoing.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- A new suite of video and media assets has been created and embedded within <a href="#">Apprentice Town webpages</a>, highlighting best practice in apprenticeships (i.e. 5 tops tips...)</li> <li>- The annual Apprentice round table event highlights ‘good apprenticeships’ supported by case studies that can be seen <a href="#">here</a> and are published each year in the Derbyshire Times.</li> <li>- Good apprenticeships are showcased at the annual skills and employability conference – This year’s conference is scheduled for 10<sup>th</sup> February where Chesterfield College and</li> </ul>

				<p>Heathcote's Group will deliver the Apprenticeship Feature.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The Apprentice Town Communications and Marketing plan was updated in December 2020 to reflect the impact of covid-19 and to support re-launch of activity from Jan 2021.</li> <li>- The Chesterfield Apprentice Town Provider network was established in April 2020 as part of the Chesterfield Economic Recovery Plan. To coincide with National Apprenticeship Week 2021, The Apprentice Town web resource will include 'provider network pages which will highlight provision available and further support 'good apprenticeships.</li> </ul>
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**Recommendation 4** - That the number of apprentices that go into permanent employment from Chesterfield Borough Council and Chesterfield College be monitored so that a new tool can be developed which can be applied to other apprenticeship providers.

Action	Responsibility / Implementation by:	Resources Needed / Available	Target Date	Achievement / Completed
As per recommendation	Assistant Director – Economic Growth/ Senior Economic Development Officer in conjunction with	Within existing resources	September 2019	<p>Activity under this recommendation has been completed and is ongoing.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- CBC progression data is set out in the table in appendix 1</li> <li>- Chesterfield College:</li> </ul>

	Chesterfield College			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 17/18 96.6% of apprentices achieved positive destination, 81.5% progressed into employment</li> <li>○ 18/19 – 95% into a positive destination, 84.4% into employment</li> <li>○ 19/20 – 96.8% into a positive destination, 84.7% into employment</li> </ul> <p>- The Chesterfield Apprentice Town Provider network was established in April 2020 as part of the Chesterfield Economic Recovery Plan. The establishment of this network offers the opportunity to capture this information from more apprenticeship providers delivering in Chesterfield.</p>
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**Recommendation 5** - That the importance of statistics on apprentices carrying on into permanent employment be raised at the East Midlands Apprentice Ambassador Network.

Action	Responsibility / Implementation by:	Resources Needed / Available	Target Date	Achievement / Completed
As per recommendation	Assistant Director – Economic Growth/ Senior Economic Development Officer (Any Cabinet Members attend?)	Within existing resources	September 2019	The Skills Delivery Officer has raised the importance of progression statistics at the East Midlands Apprentice Ambassador Network. Data from the National Apprenticeship Service does not include what happens after apprenticeship completion.

<b>Recommendation 6</b> - That the Council initiate the conversations with relevant stakeholders to explore locating a suitable development to host a Construction Skills Village in Chesterfield Borough.				
<b>Action</b>	<b>Responsibility / Implementation by:</b>	<b>Resources Needed / Available</b>	<b>Target Date</b>	<b>Achievement / Completed</b>
As per recommendation	Assistant Director – Economic Growth/ Economic Development Manager?	Within existing resources	September 2019	Activity under this recommendation has been completed and is ongoing: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Conversations have been initiated and progressed with the Devonshire Group, Northern Regeneration and Chesterfield College. Conversations have centred around a hub being sited at Mastin Moor (subject to planning) resulting in the Construction Skills Hub project being progressed as a key project in Staveley Town Investment Plan with view to having the training compound in situ by Sept 2022.</li> </ul>

<b>Recommendation 7</b> - That the Council continue to co-fund the Enterprise Coordinator.				
<b>Action</b>	<b>Responsibility / Implementation by:</b>	<b>Resources Needed / Available</b>	<b>Target Date</b>	<b>Achievement / Completed</b>
The decision to co-fund the Enterprise Co-ordinator post is deferred to be considered as a growth request as part of the	Assistant Director – Economic Growth/ Director of Finance and Resources	Roughly £11,500 over a two year period	Feb 2020	Activity under this recommendation has been completed with funding having been agreed for 2020/21. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Chesterfield Borough Council continues to lever positive outcomes from partnering with the D2N2 Careers Hub including, My</li> </ul>

budget setting process for 2020/21. The post is currently co-funded for 2 years until 2019/20.				Future online careers and employability platform, women in in construction mentoring project and virtual work experience programmes.
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<b>Recommendation 8</b> - That the Careers Education Information Advice and Guidance Group (CEIAG) be encouraged to provide careers leads in schools with information on jobs linked to HS2, and other key growth areas identified in the Growth Strategy, particularly secondary schools in North Derbyshire.				
<b>Action</b>	<b>Responsibility / Implementation by:</b>	<b>Resources Needed / Available</b>	<b>Target Date</b>	<b>Achievement / Completed</b>
As per recommendation	Assistant Director – Economic Growth/ Senior Economic Development Officer (Any Cabinet Members attend?)	Within existing resources	September 2019	Activity under this recommendation has been completed and is ongoing: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The Skills Delivery Officer has presented to CEIAG (Careers, Education, Information, Advice and Guidance) group with regards to HS2 and key growth areas identified in Growth Strategy (HS2 &amp; You May 19, Growth Strategy / Key regeneration Projects Feb 2020)</li> <li>- The CEIAG Group is now absorbed into D2N2 Careers Governance structure. Local growth opportunities are captured via the Careers Hub steering group where the Skills Delivery Officer provides regular updates. The council also sit on D2N2 Careers &amp; Young People subgroup which reports directly to D2N2 People &amp; Skills Board.</li> </ul>

				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- In addition, the annual skills &amp; employability conference that is delivered in conjunction with the careers hub, seeks to bridge the gap between education and business by highlighting growth areas</li> <li>- The council have led and are working on other projects with the careers hub to highlight future growth and regeneration opportunities including the My Future online careers an employability platform.</li> </ul>
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**Recommendation 9** - That the Council work with the LEPs to understand and analyse the impact EU exit will have on the local skills and employment agenda; looking in particular at those sectors that will grow and require investment to help our economy and provide opportunities for our communities.

Action	Responsibility / Implementation by:	Resources Needed / Available	Target Date	Achievement / Completed
As per recommendation	Assistant Director – Economic Growth/ Assistant Director – Policy and Communications	Within existing resources	September 2019	Activity under this recommendation is ongoing. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The D2N2 Local Enterprise Partnership have recruited a Sector Delivery Manager, in post since Jan 2021</li> <li>- Officers are working with the Sector Delivery Manager within LEP and other partners to develop skills pipeline of industrial relevance.</li> <li>- Alongside the work of the LEP, activity is also guided by the Councils Growth Strategy and</li> </ul>

				Economic Recovery Plan that highlight growth and regeneration projects underway in the Borough that collectively provide an opportunity to improve the skills and work readiness of individuals in Chesterfield.
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## Scrutiny Progress Monitoring Report on: Skills

### Appendix 1: Chesterfield Borough Council Apprenticeship Progression Summary

Chesterfield Borough Council Apprenticeship Programme							
Year	Apprenticeship Starts	Existing Staff/Upskilling	New Recruits	Completions	Withdrawals	Left CBC other employment	Left CBC Destination Unknown
2017/18	24	17 (70.8%)	7 (29.2%)	18	2 (still employed)	4	
2018/19	26	19 (73%)	7 (27%)	11	2		3
2019/20	28	18 (64.3%)	10 (35.7%)	1	0		3
2020/21	22	19	3				

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## **SCRUTINY PROGRESS MONITORING REPORT ON : FUTURE USE OF QUEEN'S PARK SPORTS CENTRE SITE**

To provide progress in implementing recommendations of the Community, Customer and Organisational Scrutiny Committee from its scrutiny project work on the Future Use of the Queen's Park Sports Centre Site – approved at **Enterprise and Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee (3 October, 2019 – Minute No. 20)**.

These recommendations were considered by **Cabinet on 22 October, 2019**, where it was resolved:

1. **That the use of the new sports pitch be monitored through the Council's normal management processes against the objective of balancing the need to achieve a commercial return and provide opportunities for community and health and wellbeing development.**
2. **That the marketing approach and pricing structure for the sports pitch be reviewed as necessary as part of the Council's overall marketing and pricing of its sports and leisure services.**  
(Minute No. 53)

<b>Recommendation 1</b> - That the use of the new sports pitch be monitored through the Council's normal management processes against the objective of balancing the need to achieve a commercial return and provide opportunities for community and health and wellbeing development.				
<b>Action</b>	<b>Responsibility / Implementation by:</b>	<b>Resources Needed / Available</b>	<b>Target Date</b>	<b>Achievement / Completed</b>
As per recommendation	Assistant Director – Health and Wellbeing	Within existing resources	April 2020	See update statement below

<b>Recommendation 2 -</b> That the marketing approach and pricing structure for the sports pitch be reviewed as necessary as part of the Council's overall marketing and pricing of its sports and leisure services.				
<b>Action</b>	<b>Responsibility / Implementation by:</b>	<b>Resources Needed / Available</b>	<b>Target Date</b>	<b>Achievement / Completed</b>
As per recommendation	Assistant Director – Health and Wellbeing	Within existing resources	April 2020	See update statement below

### **February 2021 Update to Enterprise and Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee:**

Since opening the new 3G pitch on the former site of Queens Park Sports Centre in September 2019 the response from the public has been both positive and supportive in developing use of the facility.

Occupancy levels at peak times (5.00PM to 10.00PM weekday evenings) have averaged at circa 80% subject to Covid-19 restrictions.

Occupancy levels at off peak times (daytime weekdays and weekends) have averaged at circa 40% subject to Covid-19 restrictions.

Moving forward there remains the significant challenge of managing facility access within the tier restrictions or within the context of national lockdowns.

Both scenarios present major challenges to the sport and leisure service as different tiers / lockdowns allow different age-related activities and as such require appropriate communications with all the relevant groups to ensure that the facility remains Covid-19 compliant.

To date it is pleasing to note that all customers have been supportive of the sport and leisure services` approach to provide this facility in these very difficult circumstances.

The service will continue to work with local groups, clubs and individuals to further develop this great addition to sport pitch provision in Chesterfield.

## SCRUTINY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS - IMPLEMENTATION MONITORING SCHEDULE

Ref No	Item (Scrutiny Issue or Topic. SPG = Scrutiny Project Group work)	Decision Dates (Scrutiny Committee, Cabinet, Council & its Committees)	Scrutiny Committee Recommendations and/or <i>Decision making body resolution</i> ( <i>italics = Agreed by Scrutiny Committee but not yet considered by decision making body</i> ) *	Completion Date for Actions	Action / Response Completed	Further Action Required by Scrutiny (6 monthly progress reports)
CCO1	Statutory Crime & Disorder Scrutiny Ctte	<b>CCO 29.09.11</b> (Min. No. 44)	Progress report on sharing information re alcohol related health problems and hospital admissions.	6 monthly wef 29/09/11.	Statistics requested for each 6 monthly meeting	Agreed on 08.01.15 that statistics on alcohol related health problems / hospital admissions be reported to each 6 monthly meeting.
CCO4	Implementation of Universal Credit	<b>CCO 22.05.18</b> (Min. No. 6)  <b>Cabinet Member for Homes &amp; Customers 16.07.18</b>	Re. provision of computer terminal(s) and support for Universal Credit claimants in Staveley area.  Cabinet Member's response noted by CCO – 17.07.18 (Min. No. 14) – computer terminals and support available at several locations within Staveley area – provision to be monitored.	6 monthly progress reports	Cabinet Member's response noted by CCO – 17.07.18.  Progress reports considered by CCO – 26.03.19, 30.01.20. and 24.09.20	Monitor as part of ongoing review of implementation of Universal Credit.

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EW6	Skills	<b>EW 05.02.19</b> (Min. No 48)  <b>Cabinet 26.02.19</b> (Min. No 110)	Skills SPG report approved by Enterprise and Wellbeing 05.02.19  Cabinet Response: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. That the Cabinet thanks the Enterprise and Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee for the report which highlights an important area of work for the Council and reflects our commitment to driving skills development in the Borough through our support of the Skills Action Plan and continued engagement with key partners and stakeholders.</li> <li>2. That the Cabinet notes and endorses the recommendations, and acknowledges that the recommendations can be accommodated within the normal work programme and through partners.</li> <li>3. That the decision to co-fund the Enterprise Co-ordinator post be deferred for consideration as a</li> </ol>	Monitoring Action is being developed in consultation with senior officers to identify target dates for completion.		Monitor progress – February 2021

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Page 23			<p>growth request as part of the budget setting process for 2020/21. The Cabinet recognises the positive impact of the Enterprise Co-ordinator for Chesterfield and that this is currently co-funded for 2 years until 2019/20.</p> <p>See SPG Report for recommendations.</p>			
EW7	Future Use of the Former QPSC Site	<p><b>EW 3.10.19</b> (Min. No. 20)</p> <p><b>Cabinet 22.10.19</b> (Min. No. 53)</p>	<p>SPG report approved by EW 3.10.19.</p> <p>Cabinet Response:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. That the use of the new sports pitch be monitored through the Council's normal management processes against the objective of balancing the need to achieve a commercial return and provide opportunities for community and health and wellbeing development.</li> <li>2. That the marketing approach and pricing structure for the sports pitch be reviewed as necessary as part of the Council's overall marketing and</li> </ol>	TBC due to impact of COVID 19		Update progress February 2021

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			pricing of its sports and leisure services.			
OP8	HS2	<b>OPSF 11.09.18</b>  <b>Cabinet 23.10.18</b> (Min. No. 48)	Cabinet Response: 1. That the Cabinet thanks the Overview and Performance Scrutiny Forum for the first class work that has been taken forward in looking at how the Council is preparing for HS2 and, in particular, for the Forum's efforts in broadening and deepening the understanding of Council Members of the subject matter.  2. That Cabinet notes and endorses the recommendations of the Overview and Performance Scrutiny Forum.  3. That Cabinet endorses, in particular, the Forum's recommendation to establish a new Skills Scrutiny Project group and resolves to defer to the Overview and Performance Scrutiny Forum further consideration of the merit of	Following Parliament's consideration of the Hybrid Bill	Recommendations approved by Cabinet 23.10.18  Monitoring update considered by OPSF - 19.03.19	Monitor after Hybrid Bill has been taken to Parliament.



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Page 5			<p>establishing new Scrutiny Project Groups to look at particular aspects of HS2 as part of the future work programming discussions.</p> <p>See SPG Report for recommendations.</p>			
<p>Abbreviations Key : OP = Overview and Performance Scrutiny Forum. CCO = Community, Customer and Organisational Development Scrutiny Committee. EW = Enterprise and Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee). TBA (to be agreed).</p> <p>* Note recommendation wording may be abridged.</p>						

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Overview and Scrutiny Work Programme 2020/21									
	OPSF 17.09.20	EW 01.10.20	OPSF 19.11.20	EW 3.12.20	OPSF 21.01.21	EW 04.02.21	OPSF 18.03.21	EW 01.04.21	OPSF 13.05.21
	CCO 24.09.20		CCO 26.11.20		CCO 28.01.21		CCO 25.03.21		CCO 20.05.21
	EW 01.10.20								EW 27.05.21
Scrutiny project groups:	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May
Climate change - air quality	From previous work programme								
Community safety and providing for young people	From previous work programme								
Items for committee:									
Overview and Performance Scrutiny Forum									
Climate Change Action Plan	OPSF						OPSF		
Northern Gateway/Elder Way	OPSF						OPSF		
Arvato and Kier - lessons learnt			OPSF						
Council Plan progress update			OPSF						
Budget update			OPSF						
Covid-19 emergency planning/business continuity			OPSF						
ICT Improvement Programme					OPSF				OPSF
Council's commercial approach					OPSF				OPSF
OSC Annual Work Programme	OPSF								
Customer, Community and Organisational Scrutiny Committee									
Chesterfield Visitor Economy	CCO				CCO				CCO
Implementation of Universal Credit	CCO						CCO		
Statutory Crime and Disorder	CCO						CCO		
Investing in our staff - apprenticeships			CCO						
External communications			CCO						
Food and energy poverty					CCO				CCO
Enterprise and Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee									
Parks and Open Spaces Strategy/Play Strategy		EW						EW	
Delivering the 5 year housing supply and the impact of planning reform		EW						EW	
Homelessness, accommodating released prisoners and winter provision				EW					EW
Commercial Services (T&F group)				EW		EW		EW	
Schemes and trials for increasing recycling						EW			
Monitoring of previous scrutiny project group recommendations:									
Community Rooms			CCO				CCO		
Future use of the former QPSC site				EW				EW	
Skills				EW				EW	
HS2					OPSF				

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## **ENTERPRISE AND WELLBEING SCRUTINY COMMITTEE**

**Thursday, 3rd December, 2020**

Present:-

Councillor Catt (Chair)

Councillors    Caulfield  
                     Dyke  
                     Coy

Councillors    Hollingworth  
                     Snowdon  
                     Brittain

Carl Griffiths, Housing Options Manager +  
Liz Cook, Service Director for Housing +  
Christine Durrant, Executive Director ++

+ Attended for Minute No. 3  
++ Attended for Minute No. 6

\*Matters dealt with under the Delegation Scheme

### **1    DECLARATIONS OF MEMBERS' AND OFFICERS' INTERESTS RELATING TO ITEMS ON THE AGENDA**

Councillor Coy advised the committee that she was a trustee of the homeless charity Pathways. As no decisions were to be made concerning the report at item 3 it was determined that Councillor Coy could still take part in discussions.

### **2    APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Ludlow and Dean Epton.

### **3    CABINET MEMBER FOR HOUSING - ROUGH SLEEPER STRATEGY AND COLD WEATHER PROVISION**

The Service Director for Housing introduced a report to the committee on the Rough Sleeper Strategy and Cold Weather Provision. It was noted that one positive effect of the COVID-19 pandemic had been the acceleration of the delivery of actions/commitments contained within the Rough Sleeper Strategy. A Homelessness Action Plan had also been developed in response to the pandemic. The Government had introduced an 'Everyone In' scheme due to the vulnerability of homeless people and once the initial lockdown period ended the Council, in partnership with other Derbyshire authorities developed a new initiative called 'Keeping Everyone In'. The

Council worked with local homeless charities such as Pathways and P3 and developed a Housing First model alongside colleagues from South Yorkshire Housing Association. As a result, there had been a significant improvement in partnership relationships and a huge amount of investment in homelessness and rough sleeping had been realised.

The Housing Options Manager presented an overview of the Council's Cold Weather Provision. In recent years a night shelter had been provided with Derby City Mission but due to the COVID-19 pandemic that had not been possible for 2020. The committee heard that a mixture of alternative accommodation options had been sourced; included bed and breakfasts, some of the council's own units for emergency use and a facility in the Derbyshire Dales.

This facility comprised of 35 self-contained COVID secure units would be open 15<sup>th</sup> December to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2021 and be used by authorities across Derbyshire. Concerns were raised by the committee over moving people out of town and whether they would access to amenities and services. It was explained that during the first lock down there had been significant successes when engaging with the users in a self-contained location. The aim was for the users to move on in a positive way and hopefully leave the facility to go into more long-term accommodation. It was agreed that the exit report for the Cold Weather Provision would be circulated to committee members.

A question was posed regarding the vaccination programme and how homeless people would fit into the plans if they had no address. The Service Director for Housing reassured the committee that when that stage was reached the Council would work closely with its partners to ensure that this vulnerable group would be able to access the vaccine. The Housing Options Manager confirmed that all rough sleepers will be registered with a GP's practice if they are not already registered.

A committee member asked if there was a summary available of what the cost had been to the council of these activities and what grants would be available for the coming year. It was explained that the central government funding was often short-term in nature and the next tranche of funding had not yet been confirmed. The officers agreed that the long-term solution would be more capital investment into supported accommodation which would in turn reduce the need for emergency accommodation. It was noted that bailiffs were to recommence their work 7<sup>th</sup> January 2021 and it was anticipated that this would affect housing needs.

The Housing Options Manager highlighted the exceptional work that had been carried out by the Council's partnership agencies during this difficult time. The Derbyshire Homeless Officers Group was also commended for providing a mechanism for sharing expertise and also increasing value for money.

## **RESOLVED –**

That the committee note the report.

#### 4 **SCRUTINY MONITORING**

The Committee considered the Scrutiny recommendations monitoring schedule. It was noted that an update on the Skills item and the Future Use of the Former QPSC Site were overdue as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. It was agreed that any future delays would be noted on the monitoring form prior to publication of the agenda pack.

RESOLVED -

That the Scrutiny monitoring schedule be noted.

#### 5 **FORWARD PLAN**

The Forward Plan for the four-month period 1 December, 2020 to 31 March, 2021 was presented for information.

RESOLVED –

That the Forward Plan be noted.

#### 6 **WORK PROGRAMME FOR THE ENTERPRISE AND WELLBEING SCRUTINY COMMITTEE**

The 2020/21 Work Programme for the Enterprise and Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee was reported for information.

The Executive Director attended the committee to provide further information on the Commercial Services item on the Work Programme. It was explained that the Operational Services Depot team had not been engaged in any commercial activity since prior to March 2020 due to the COVID-19 lockdown. There was now a backlog of repairs and routine maintenance to be completed and therefore it was not envisaged that commercial work would be commenced any time soon. The CMT restructure involved merging the Commercial Services department with the Housing team and this process needed time to bed in.

It was anticipated that a new piece of work would be undertaken to look at commercialism in its wider sense with a more strategic view and the involvement of the scrutiny function was welcomed in the development of the new strategy.

Discussion took place around the work that had already been carried out by scrutiny in this area and the questions that had been raised previously. This work was acknowledged and the consensus was that it would be incorporated into the new item.

RESOLVED –

1. That the work programme be noted and updated to include the decisions of the current meeting.

2. That the new Commercialisation Strategy be added to the work programme and the previously requested data be provided as part of the work.

## **7 MINUTES**

RESOLVED –

The Minutes of the meeting of the Enterprise and Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee held on 1 October, 2020 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.