

Maidstone Borough Council

Planning, Transport and Development Overview and Scrutiny Committee

Tuesday 19 August 2014

Future Work Programme and SCRAIP update

Report of: Tessa Mallett, Overview and Scrutiny Officer

1. Introduction

- 1.1 The Committee are asked to consider the Committee's draft future work programme (FWP) attached as **Appendix A**.
- 1.2 At their meeting of 9 June 2014 the Committee asked for the Design South East Report on the Local Plan Consultation Events to be presented at their meeting of 19 August 2014, prior to the multi-stakeholder event planned for 17 September 2014. This report is not available for 19 August 2014, but will be made available to the Committee for review at their meeting of 16 September 2014.
- 1.3 The Committee are asked by Planning Officers if they would like to review the Community Infrastructure Levy - Preliminary Draft Charging Schedule at their meeting of 16 September 2014.
- 1.4 The Committee are asked to consider the SCRAIP update for the Committee's recommendations at their meeting of 24 June 2014 attached as **Appendix B**.
- 1.5 The Committee are asked to consider the List of Forthcoming Decisions attached as **Appendix C**.
- 1.6 The Committee are asked to consider and agree if any members of the Committee are to attend the Local Government Association's (LAG) event; Avoiding gridlock 2040: How councils can save our roads, on 7 October 2014 in London, details attached in **Appendix D**. This event is free to LGA members.
- 1.7 The Committee are asked to consider and agree if any members of the Committee are to attend the Government Knowledge event; Encouraging Cycling in the UK, on 10th September 2014 in London at a cost of £395+VAT per delegate. The agenda for the day is attached as **Appendix E**.
- 1.8 The Committee are asked to consider the information update given by the Chairman.

2. Recommendation

- 2.1 That the Committee agree the draft future work programme.

- 2.2 That the Committee agree to receive the Design South East Report on the Local Plan Consultation Events at their meeting of 16 September 2014 (originally planned in for 19 August 2014).
- 2.3 That the Committee agree if they would like to see the Community Infrastructure Levy - Preliminary Draft Charging Schedule at their meeting of 16 September 2014.
- 2.4 That the Committee note the SCRAIP update for the Committee's recommendations at their meeting of 24 June 2014.
- 2.5 That the Committee considers the sections of the List of Forthcoming Decisions relevant to the Committee and whether these are items requiring further investigation or monitoring.
- 2.6 That the Committee agree if they wish to send a representative of the Committee to the Local Government Association's event; Avoiding gridlock 2040: How councils can save our roads, on 7th October 2014 in London.
- 2.7 That the Committee agree if they wish to send a representative of the Committee to the Government Knowledge event; Encouraging Cycling in the UK, on 10th September 2014 in London.
- 2.8 That the Committee considers its continuous professional development needs and recommends possible training or development sessions it would like to undertake.

3 Future Work Programme

- 3.1 Throughout the course of the municipal year the Committee is asked to put forward work programme suggestions. These suggestions are planned into its annual work programme. Members are asked to consider the work programme at each meeting to ensure that it remains appropriate and covers all issues Members currently wish to consider within the Committee's remit.
- 3.2 The Committee is reminded that the Constitution states under Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rules number 9: Agenda items that 'Any Member shall be entitled to give notice to the proper officer that he wishes an item relevant to the functions of the Committee or Sub-Committee to be included on the agenda for the next available meeting of the Committee or Sub-Committee. On receipt of such a request the proper officer will ensure that it is included on the next available agenda, the Member must attend the meeting and speak on the item put forward.'

4 List of Forthcoming Decisions

- 4.1 The List of Forthcoming Decisions is a live document containing all key and non-key decisions.

- 4.2 Due to the nature of the List of Forthcoming Decisions, and to ensure the information provided to the Committee is up to date, a verbal update will be given at the meeting by the Chairman. The Committee can view the live document online at:
<http://meetings.maidstone.gov.uk/mgListPlans.aspx?RPId=443&RD=0>

5 SCRAIP update

- 5.1 An update on the recommendations from the meeting of 24 June 2014 is attached as **Appendix B**.

6. Impact on Corporate Objectives

- 6.1 The Committee will consider reports that deliver against the following Council priorities:
- 'For Maidstone to have a growing economy' and 'For Maidstone to be a decent place to live'.
- 6.2 The Strategic Plan sets the Council's key objectives for the medium term and has a range of objectives which support the delivery of the Council's priorities.

7 Relevant Documents

Appendix A – Draft Future Work Programme

Appendix B – SCRAIP update report

Appendix C – List of Forthcoming Decisions

Appendix D – Details of the Local Government Association's (LAG) event; Avoiding gridlock 2040: How councils can save our roads, on 7 October 2014 in London

Appendix E – Details of Government Knowledge event; Encouraging Cycling in the UK, on 10th September 2014 in London