

Wiltshire Council

Environment Select Committee

01 September 2015

Task Group update

Purpose

To provide an update on recent task group activity and propose any decisions requiring Committee approval.

Further verbal update will be provided by the Chairman of the task group as appropriate.

Public Transport Review Task Group

The task group met on 16 June and 09 July 2015.

At its next meeting on 16 September 2015 the task group will review the outcome of the pre-consultation exercise, including feedback from members of the task group who have attended meetings with bus operators.

The following terms of reference have been agreed by the task group and the Environment Select Committee is invited to approve these terms of reference:

1. To scrutinise the pre-consultation(s) and consultation(s) and recommend that the range of transport option(s) offered take into consideration the needs of communities in rural and urban areas.
2. To scrutinise the pre-consultation(s) and consultation(s) and recommend that the option(s) offered take into account the impact of reducing spending on public transport and that the scope for alternative methods of delivery and / or mitigation of the impacts is adequate.
3. To scrutinise how the public transport funding is invested and recommend that community priorities are reflected and that investments represents the best value for money whilst supporting the delivery of outcomes related to health and wellbeing, education, economy and employment. To recommend, where appropriate, that consideration is given to an integrated transport strategy.
4. To scrutinise the decision to be made on the adoption of a new policy / strategy framework, in the light of future budget availability. If applicable, to engage with the development of the policy / strategy framework.

5. To monitor the implementation of the option(s) selected following the public transport review.

Highways and Streetscene Contract (BBLP) Task Group

At its meeting on 30 June 2015 the task group received a presentation from Cllr Jones on feedback raised by his ward and discussed the feedback received from members to consider options in moving forward.

The task group also discussed the strategic direction and forward work programming in light of the meeting previously held between the Chair of the Task Group, Corporate Director, Associate Director and Cabinet Member on 14 May 2015.

Proposals

**To agree the terms of reference for the Public Transport Review Task Group.
To note the update on task group activity provided.**

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