Cabinet

19 April 2016

Public Participation

Questions from Cllr Chris Caswill

- 1. What specific steps have been taken to re-evaluate the relative merits of an Eastern or a Southern Link Road, and how can an open mind on this be demonstrated?
- 2. Has any further work been done on the traffic issues on Station Hill in Chippenham, which would result from a development on Rawlings Farm?
- 3. When will a revised Transport Strategy for Chippenham be (a) completed and (b) published.

Response

1&2. As set out in paragraph 13 of the Cabinet Report, two supplementary papers will be published relating to transport evidence - 'Supplement to Evidence Paper 3: Transport and Accessibility Part 1A - Strategic Site Options' and 'Supplement to Evidence Paper 3: Transport and Accessibility Part 2A - Alternative Development Strategies'. These provide the evidence undertaken as part of the enhanced methodology set out in the Schedule of Work (see Appendix 1, Cabinet Report). Consultants have been commissioned to prepare this supplementary evidence for the Council.

This information will be made available when the papers are published for the Council meeting on 10 May. In implementing the Schedule of Work, Officers are following the evidence and will set out their findings and judgement in full in the papers that are published for Council, which will be open for consultation in due course.

3. This work cannot be done until the development strategy for Chippenham has been identified.

Question

Further to minute no. 42 from the last meeting - Better Care Plan 2016/17, can it please be confirmed that consideration by the Health Select Committee of the Home First pilot scheme and the Better Care Plan budget will be welcome as contributions to effective development of both schemes?

Response

I understand that the Health Select Committee has established the Better Care Plan task group to provide oversight of the Plan, its finances and how it is functioning as well as schemes such as the HomeFirst pilot. An update on the implementation of Home First scheme will be considered at the task group meeting on 6 June 2016. Regular updates are provided to the Health Select Committee on the activity of the task group and Cabinet welcomes the contributions of the task group to the plan and in supporting the development of schemes such as HomeFirst.

Question

Further to minute no. 33 from the last meeting - Future of Wiltshire Council Provided Public Conveniences, can it please be confirmed that this Council would welcome a continuing conversation with Chippenham Town Council on the future of the two town centre toilets?

When will the cost benefit analysis of the two Chippenham town centre toilets be carried out, and by whom?

Will the specific criteria be made public?

Response

Wiltshire Council has asked to meet with Chippenham Town Council to discuss further the future provision of the two Wiltshire Council facilities in their area, not requested to be transferred.

Following confirmation from Chippenham Town Council, on their position, a cost benefit analysis will be completed by Wiltshire Council's Local Highway and Property Service sections on any facility not being transferred.