

UPDATE ON PREVIOUS ACTIONS

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COMPLETED ACTIONS			
1.	17.01.2022	<p>The panel requested that the budget item be brought back before them once finalised before being taken to Cabinet on the 24 February.</p> <p>The following email was circulated on 25 January 2022:</p> <p>Following our meeting earlier this week, you requested that I see further input from the finance team regarding the possibility of a further meeting to discuss the budget. The finance team have responded as follows:</p> <p>The budget as presented to O&S is always based on estimates and assumptions albeit that 95% of the content presented will not change.</p> <p>However, the items below will potentially have a significant impact on the current deficit and are still being worked on:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • FFL Impact from their Business Plan which will only be available at end of January. • NNDR accounting for a renewable energy business where we retain 100% of the business rates. This is a complex issue and has only very recently come to light so we are working on both the potential accounting impacts and process updates. • Use of the Cambs Horizons reserve. • Transformation impact including the accommodation review and the initial meeting only took place this week. <p>The impact of these issues will continue to evolve over the next few weeks and even then, when the budget is presented for approval, we will need to make informed assumptions as all will rely on best estimates.</p> <p>Having regard to the above, the finance team have indicated that it will not be possible to produce a final version of the budget in sufficient time to enable a further meeting of O&S when balanced against its other obligations in ensuring that the information within it is completely up-to-date and as accurate as possible before it is finally presented to Cabinet and recommended to Full Council for approval.</p> <p>I recognise that this position does not advance matters beyond the discussions that took place at the meeting however, I</p>	Complete

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		can only reiterate that each one of you will have the opportunity to scrutinise and comment upon the budget either individually or as part of your respective groups during the Full Council debate. I appreciate that there are differences between the fulfilment of your roles as councillors generally as compared with the role you play as a member of the Panel however, as a collective you will recall that the outcome of the debate was to unanimously agree the recommendations presented. I will however work with colleagues this year to identify whether it is possible for us to bring the date of the Panel and the presentation of the final budget closer together in future.	
2.	17.01.2022	Councillor Miscandlon requested that a briefing note be provided by the CPCA on their meeting regarding Wisbech rail	
		A representative of the CPCA will be attending the next Panel meeting where it is anticipated that an update will be provided. Meanwhile, a briefing note has been provided in readiness for the meeting and will be incorporated into the agenda pack for the February meeting.	
ONGOING ACTIONS			
1.	17.01.2022	Councillor Booth requested that the panel remind Cambridge County Council that not all preschools are businesses and that and some are charities in our response to their email.	Ongoing
		An email will be sent as a follow up to the previous action and a copy provided to members of the Panel once this action has been completed.	
2.	17.01.2022	To add the Task and Finish Group to a future agenda	Ongoing
		Amy Brown has started work on the report and will aim to present it at the May meeting of Overview and Scrutiny	
3.	17.01.2022	Request to invite Jyoti Atri Public Health Director to give a presentation to Overview and Scrutiny	Ongoing
		Amy Brown will liaise with Jyoti Atri to invite her attendance at a future meeting and will update the future work programme once the arrangements have been confirmed.	
4.	17.01.2022	Councillor Booth requested a rolling 12-month future work programme	Ongoing
		Amy Brown is in the process of reviewing the future work programme and organising a 12-month rolling version.	
WATCHING BRIEF ITEMS			
1.	8.11.2021	Cllr Booth requested a watching brief on Peterborough City Councils planning review and how this may affect Fenland	Ongoing
		The arrangements that Fenland District Council has in place with Peterborough City Council remain in the following areas:	

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		<p>Development Management</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shared support manager • Viability validation assessments that are required relating to S106 agreements Planning Policy • The work required to get a new adopted local plan. <p>Peterborough City Council's planning review is ongoing as is our continued engagement with them in relation to the possible outcomes. Meanwhile we have been pleased to announce that Nick Harding, Head of Planning, has agreed to continue his work as Head of Planning at FDC as he always has done and this means no change in service for FDC as was emailed to all members before Christmas.</p> <p>A further update was provided from Dan Horn on the 11th January 2022 as follows:</p> <p>"The arrangements that Fenland District Council has in place with Peterborough City Council remain in the following areas:</p> <p>Development Management</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shared support manager • Viability validation assessments that are required relating to S106 agreements <p>Planning Policy</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The work required to get a new adopted local plan. <p>Peterborough City Council's planning review is ongoing as is our continued engagement with them in relation to the possible outcomes. Meanwhile we have been pleased to announce that Nick Harding, Head of Planning, has agreed to continue his work as Head of Planning at FDC as he always has done and this means no change in service for FDC as was emailed to all members before Christmas."</p>	