

ECONOMIC PROSPERITY SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

AGENDA

Meeting to be held in the Civic Centre (Committee Room No. 1) on Tuesday 5th December, 2017 at 5.30 p.m.

Membership

Cllrs Blackburn, Curran, M. Dixon, Essl, G. Galbraith, I. Galbraith, E. Gibson, Marshall, Porthouse, D. Snowdon, Taylor, Turner.

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No items.

E. WAUGH,
Head of Law and Governance,
Civic Centre,
SUNDERLAND.

27th November, 2017.

At a meeting of the ECONOMIC PROSPERITY SCRUTINY COMMITTEE held in the CIVIC CENTRE, SUNDERLAND on TUESDAY 7TH NOVEMBER, 2017 at 5.30 p.m.

Present:-

Councillor David Snowdon in the Chair

Councillors Blackburn, Curran, Dixon, Essl, G. Galbraith, I Galbraith, Marshall, Porthouse, Taylor and Turner.

Also in attendance:-

Councillor D.E Snowdon

Ms Catherine Auld, Head of International Relations, Business Engagement

Mr Paul Callaghan CBE, Director of the Music, Arts and Culture (MAC) Trust

Mr Jim Diamond, Scrutiny Officer, Sunderland City Council

Ms Louise Moody, Strategic Plans and Housing Team Manager

Mrs Christine Tilley, Governance Services Team Leader, Sunderland City Council

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting and introductions were made.

Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillor E. Gibson.

Minutes of the Last Ordinary Meeting of the Scrutiny Committee held on 10th October, 2017

A copy of the minutes of the last ordinary meeting of the Scrutiny Committee held on 10th October, 2017 was submitted.

(For copy report – see original minutes).

1. RESOLVED that the minutes of the last ordinary meeting of the Scrutiny Committee held on 10th October, 2017 (copy circulated) be confirmed and signed as a correct record.

Declarations of Interest (including Whipping Declarations)

There were no declarations of interest made.

Sunderland Music, Arts and Culture Trust

The Director of the Sunderland Museum, Arts and Culture (MAC) Trust, Mr Paul Callaghan CBE submitted a report (copy circulated) on the work of the Trust and the key opportunities and challenges it faces moving into the future.

(For copy report – see original minutes).

Mr Paul Callaghan CBE, Director of the Sunderland MAC Trust was in attendance and provided the Committee with a detailed presentation on the establishment of the Cultural Spring and its achievements, the Sunderland Cultural Partnership and development of the cultural vision for Sunderland and setting out the key developments the MAC Trust has already undertaken in the city centre and future plans to help develop a Music, Arts and Cultural Quarter to promote cultural activities.

Mr Callaghan also briefed the Committee on the role the MAC Trust is playing in the bid for Sunderland to become UK City of Culture 2021.

Members of the Committee welcomed the presentation, commended the MAC Trust on its achievements so far and wished Mr Callaghan continued success.

The Chairman having thanked Mr Callaghan for his presentation, it was:-

2. RESOLVED that the contents of the report and presentation, be received and noted.

International Strategy – Overview and Progress Report

The Head of International Relations, Business Engagement and Investment submitted a report (copy circulated) providing an overview of the city's International Strategy, of the nature and level of activity summarised in the 2016/17 annual report, together with a progress update related to 2017/18 activity.

(For copy report – see original minutes).

Ms Catherine Auld, Head of International Relations, Business Engagement provided the Committee with a powerpoint presentation to complement her report highlighting that the overall aim of the International Strategy was underpinned by five key areas of activity which were set out in paragraph 2.3 and that there were three primary areas of benefit: benefits to the city's economy and its businesses; benefits to the city's people and communities; benefits to the city's brand and reputation. Ms Auld proceeded to brief the Committee on the areas of focus to achieve the above benefits.

In response to Members' questions, Ms Auld stated that Brexit was an issue as it was unknown at this stage what the arrangements were going to be but they would look at what opportunities arose. She confirmed that Sunderland University was buying in to the International Strategy and aligning itself with the core objectives. Ms Auld acknowledged there was further work to be done to promote the work being undertaken and advised that she would work with the Communications Team to get more information circulated on the International Strategy and the benefits and achievements generated to date.

The Chairman having thanked Ms Auld for her presentation, it was:-

3. RESOLVED that the progress being made on the International Strategy 2017/2018 activity be received and noted.

Support for Small and Medium Sized Businesses

The Head of International Relations, Business Engagement and Investment submitted a report (copy circulated) providing an overview of the support for small and medium sized businesses in the city through engagement with the Council's Business Investment Team.

(For copy report – see original minutes).

Ms Catherine Auld, Head of International Relations, Business Engagement briefed the Committee on the range of support the Business Investment Team was able to provide.

In response to Members' questions, Ms Auld advised that the North East Business and Innovation Centre (BIC) would have data on the number of business Start Ups, however she was able confirm that the number had increased from quarter 1 to quarter 2 and advised that the Council's Business Investment Team's focus was around software and technology. Ms Auld confirmed that there were examples of females in the engineering field in various companies. However there was still some work to do on this. There was a joined up approach in the Council in that the channels were there for Officers from the Business Investment Team to work with different departments such as Licensing, Property, Planning and Regeneration to support businesses as best as they could within the challenge of everyone being stretched to carry out their primary role.

Councillor M. Dixon commented that the BID had been through a challenging time in the last 6-12 months. There was a new focus and they were very clear that they needed quick wins with the new leadership coming into place.

The Chairman thanked Ms Auld for her attendance and it was:

4. RESOLVED that the report be received and noted that a further update be brought back to the Committee in 9 months' time.

International Advanced Manufacturing Park Area Action Plan Adoption

The Executive Director of Economy and Place submitted a report (copy circulated) to seek advice and consideration from Scrutiny Committee to Cabinet in relation to the proposed adoption by Council of the joint Area Action Plan (AAP) for the International Advanced Manufacturing Park (IAMP) following an independent examination conducted by the Planning Inspectorate on behalf of the Secretary of State.

(For copy report – see original minutes)

Ms Louise Moody, Strategic Plans and Housing Team Manager briefed the Committee on the report and referred Members to the modifications by the Planning Inspectorate to be incorporated into the Adoption version of the AAP detailed in paragraph 3.1 of the report. Ms Moody advised that consultation on the proposed main findings took place between 18th September and 30th October 2017 and a total

of 9 representations were received, none of which materially affected the wording of the proposed modifications.

In response to Members' questions, Ms Moody advised that the Plan identified what was needed to make it deliverable. The importance of preserving heritage assets had been recognised with specific mention of the value of the Grade II listed Hylton Grove Bridge being made. There was also a specific requirement for provision for lorry parks and facilities to be made.

Full consideration having been given to the report it was:-

5. RESOLVED that the Cabinet be advised that the Committee considered the report and endorsed the proposed adoption by Council of the International Advanced Manufacturing Park Area Action Plan including the Policies Map.

Annual Work Programme 2017/18

The Head of Member Support and Community Partnerships submitted a report (copy circulated), setting out the current work programme for the Committee for the 2017-18 municipal year.

(For copy report – see original minutes).

Mr Jim Diamond, Scrutiny Officer, Sunderland City Council highlighted that Mr John Seager, Chief Executive of Siglion would be attending the Committee's meeting in December to provide a progress report on major developments.

6. RESOLVED that the information contained in the work programme be received and noted.

Notice of Key Decisions

A report providing an opportunity to consider the items on the Executive's Notice of Key Decisions for the 28 day period from 24th October 2017 (copy circulated), was submitted.

(For copy report – see original minutes).

7. RESOLVED that the Notice of Key Decisions be received and noted.

The Chairman then closed the meeting having thanked Members and Officers for their attendance.

(Signed) D. SNOWDON,
Chairman.

REPORT OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OF SIGLION

SIGLION – PROGRESS REPORT

1. Purpose of the Report

- 1.1 To receive a progress report from John Seager, Chief Executive of Siglion on the progress being made in delivering the regeneration of a number of key sites within the city.

2. Background

- 2.1 In setting its work programme for the year, the Committee agreed to receive a further update from Siglion on the regeneration of a number of sites within the city including the Vaux site, Seaburn and Chapelgarth.

- 2.2 The five priorities for Siglion are to:-

- Improve concentration of new economic activity in the city centre
- Create a city centre that supports such higher value job creation
- Bring dormant areas such as the former Vaux site back into use
- Offer a wider choice of housing to the market
- Position Sunderland as a place to invest

3. Current Position

- 3.1 John Seager Chief Executive of Siglion will provide a presentation on the progress being made to date.
- 3.2 A paper prepared by Siglion for the meeting is attached.

4 Conclusion

- 4.1 The report and presentation will provide members with background and the current position in relation to the progress being made by Siglion.

5. Recommendations

- 5.1 The Scrutiny Committee is asked to consider and comment on the contents of the report.

6. Glossary

None

7 Background Papers

Cabinet Papers 27 November 2013

Economic Prosperity Scrutiny Committee – Report January 2017

Sunderland Council Scrutiny Committee Report

Siglion is a 20 year joint venture partnership between Sunderland City Council and Carillion Developments with development and asset management services provided by industry leading experts igloo Regeneration. The partnership was formed in November 2014 and formally launched in March 2015. Its main focus is to instigate regeneration through well designed development across the city with particular focus on 5 key sites. In addition, Siglion owns a 1m sqft commercial property portfolio incorporating a wide variety of uses.

Siglion LLP is the overriding company which has 2 subsidiaries, Siglion Developments and Siglion Investments. Our work in these 2 companies can be explained as follows:

A) SIGLION DEVELOPMENTS

1. Vaux

Following almost 17 years of inactivity, work commenced on the first phase of development on the Vaux site during 2016. The first phase includes a 60,000 sqft office building with ground floor retail / leisure accommodation and an extensive public realm space, including the completion of the Keel Line. Practical completion of Phase 1 is scheduled for 29th June 2018.

In addition to Phase 1, work has been progressing on the final designs for “The Launch” – a creatively designed promontory over hanging the cliff edge adjacent to The Beam which harks back to the city’s industrial past whilst also celebrating the end of the Keel Line and creating a link down to the riverside park. We anticipate delivering this construction during late 2018.

Siglion’s development strategy for the long-vacant Vaux site is based on a comprehensive mix of uses comprising predominantly business-space and homes but also including leisure, retail and cultural spaces phased across the whole site in order to redefine Vaux as a vibrant new city-centre district for Sunderland. This strategy is based on the following principles of economic development:

1. Attracting businesses whose activity has spill-over benefits for other businesses around them would have a multiplying impact on activity in the city centre, further increasing the output of the economy. Siglion’s Vaux masterplan responds to this by delivering business-space in an environment that overtly encourages business-to-business activity, concentrating new economic activity in the City centre as a means of increasing the productivity of Sunderland’s businesses.
2. Research identifies that the availability of higher-skilled services jobs is likely to become ever-more important to a city economy. Having a city centre that supports higher-value job-creation is therefore recognised as being important for the long-term growth prospects for Sunderland’s overall economy. Further, a lack of activity on land such as the Vaux site means that this land is not being used for job creation and output generation, which restricts the overall output from Sunderland’s economy. Bringing dormant sites such a Vaux back into use is seen as being a critical driver for Sunderland’s direct and indirect economic growth.
3. Housing choice in the city-centre has not kept pace with rising aspirations and incomes. As a consequence, the city has been losing younger people and young families. Offering a wider choice of housing to the market is considered essential in

retaining and attracting the occupants of the City needed to build a vibrant and successful economy.

To deliver Vaux in accordance with these principles, Siglion is addressing five strands of development:

- Bringing new workspaces to Vaux focused on three types of occupiers:
 - Multi-tenanted building for local and regional businesses in the knowledge sector;
 - Public-sector Hub;
 - Private-sector offices for larger / single occupiers;
- New homes within a distinctive residential neighbourhood; and
- Amenity uses

The Vaux site may be differentiated by 2 key factors: location and amenity. By prioritising these factors we will provide an immediately recognisable distinction from out-of-town business parks and housing developments. In contrast Vaux will offer a stunning environment of workplaces, homes and local amenities linked to a city-centre, public transport, riverside walks and vistas out to the sea – an offer that can be combined with proud history, an energetic cultural scene and strong associations with healthy, sustainable lifestyles that attract regional occupiers and national investors.



2. Seaburn

There was a time when Seaburn was a thriving resort with a permanent fairground, restaurants, deck chairs and donkey rides. However along with many UK resorts its popularity has declined as a destination for family holidays. The nature of a 21st century seaside resort has changed from when they catered for family holidays, they are more likely now to draw day trippers in, with a more aspirational and quality offer, with people seeking somewhere to live.

The Sunderland coastline is a massive asset to build on, with its stunning beaches and sea-front from Seaburn through to Roker and the marina. There is a real opportunity to broaden the appeal helping to support Sunderland's aspiration to be "the UK's most liveable city". and adding to the spend in retail and restaurant venues along the sea-front, together with utilizing Cut Throat Dene as an outdoor leisure space. The 4*

Marriott hotel could be complemented by a 3* boutique, budget or aparthotel operator, and we see commercial potential to develop some additional A1 retail space. Combining this with A3, café-bars and restaurants, across the front, this will strengthen the visitor attraction to the sea front enhancing the evening economy.

The hybrid planning permission was granted on 31st October 2017, on completion of the S106. This permission sets out the parameters for the future development as well as the detailed consent for the initial infrastructure works which includes the new car park on Dykelands Road.

The consent consists of a number of regulatory plans, including land use, height, activation of the seafront together the maximum quantum of development, 279 new homes and 97,000 sqft of commercial/leisure space.

The first phase of development incorporates the construction of a new car park off Dykleands Road and various infrastructure works. We are anticipating submitting a reserved matters planning application for the next phase of development in early 2018 with the aim of commencing work during the same year.



3. Chapel Garth

Chapelgarth is part of the South Sunderland Growth Area (SSGA) with over 3,000 new homes planned. The site has the potential to significantly contribute to this with family oriented homes along a more traditional developer route with private outside family space.

This site will be developed to a lower density than those in the city centre so that it is more in keeping with the surrounding area. To meet with the City Council's aspirations a proportion of the site will be designed and marketed for more aspirational or executive homes that we agree with the City are essential for Sunderland to provide attractive housing for business leaders working in the city and the surrounding area.

Hybrid planning consent was granted in December 2016 with completion of the S106. This consent is for 750 homes, of which a minimum of 20% will be 5 plus bedrooms reflecting the wish for Executive style homes in this location. In addition, there is provision for a small scale retail/community facility of up to 10,000 sq ft which could form the heart of the scheme along with the high quality public realm and open spaces. This facility could house a doctor's surgery, nursery, dentist etc. Early interest is from nursery occupiers to serve the surrounding residential and also Doxford Park. The detailed element of the consent included the first phase of infrastructure works, with the new access and two balancing ponds along Weymouth Road.

The planning permission, although outline sets the parameters for the development with a Design Code that forms part of the approved documents. This together with the series of parameter plans which govern the street network, density and height, open spaces with footpath connections and drainage strategy ensures the quality of the development.

Siglion's aim, to act as Master Developer for delivery of this site, is illustrated well by our agreement to sell an initial parcel of land to Miller Homes who now have detailed planning consent (subject to a further S106 being completed) for the 160 homes.

The masterplan maximizes permeability through the site with a clear street network and hierarchy. The road hierarchy has been developed by creating a main primary spine which links the new neighborhoods together with secondary and tertiary routes leading from here. Pedestrian links then connect through to open spaces and to existing cycle and pedestrian networks as well as linking new neighborhoods.

The open space is high and this reflects the characteristics of the site with the existing woodlands. A green buffer with acoustic screen is created along the A19 with a green central spine connecting the entire neighborhoods together and increasing the habitats for wildlife and biodiversity. A hierarchy of open spaces is created, with existing woodlands and open spaces to formal parks and private gardens. This increased level of open space helps to create a distinctive sense of place.

With variations on density and height through the set and with the Design Code specifying set back and boundary treatments the aim is to create different distinctive character areas across the site, with lower density more executive homes around the rural edge, family housing in the heart of the site focused on the central park, to more semi urban housing around the commercial heart at the entrance in to the development from Portland School. These neighborhoods will be designed to help create a real sense of community.



B) SIGLION INVESTMENTS

The investment portfolio is made up of a variety of assets including commercial, workspace, retail and industrial properties with a mixture of single occupation and multi occupied properties spread across the City.

The active management of the property portfolio is set up to allow the occupiers to focus solely on their business with the support needed to facilitate future growth. We are continuing to develop and maintain a close working relationship with the occupiers and understand their businesses so that we can tailor a property offer that allows them the flexibility to expand and at times contract their business without worrying about the impact of property overheads.

This helps to create a thriving business community that will assist with attracting new companies from around the region to the offer that the City has to make. Having these properties under a single control ensures that there is a wide range of options available to companies and we can encourage

networking amongst these companies that will lead to new opportunities and markets. We call this the Siglion Community and we think of Tenants as Members of the Community.

**SUNDERLAND CITY CENTRE PUBLIC SPACE PROTECTION
ORDER (PSPO) FEEDBACK**

Report of Director of Strategy, Partnerships and Transformation

1 Purpose of the Report

- 1.1 To update the Committee on the operational delivery of the Sunderland City Centre Public Space Protection Order (PSPO). This order went live on 3rd April 2017.

2 Background

- 2.1 The Anti-Social Behaviour and Policing Act 2014 introduced a range of new tools and powers to tackle anti-social behaviour, including the provision for Councils to introduce Public Space Protection Orders. The orders are geographically defined and can contain locally agreed prohibitions.
- 2.2 On 11th October 2016 the Economic Prosperity Scrutiny Committee received an information report on the development of the order and requested interim feedback on its effectiveness once implemented.
- 2.2 On 8th February 2017 Cabinet agreed implementation of a 3 year order covering the City Centre.

3 Current Position

- 3.1 The PSPO went live on 3rd April 2017 and covers a specific area of Sunderland City Centre (see appendix 1) and covers the following prohibitions:

Alcohol control – consuming alcohol or anything which an authorised officer believes to be alcohol and failing to surrender anything which is or is to be believed to be alcohol

Begging – engaging in anti-social or aggressive begging

Bin Raking – engaging in bin raking activity

Street Trading and Peddling – engaging in anti-social/unauthorised street trading

Dog Control – prohibit dog fouling, exclusion of dogs to play areas and dogs on lead by direction.

Skateboard and Cycles – engaging in the anti-social use of skateboards, cycles or stunt cycles

Psychoactive Substances – engaging in eating/drinking/inhaling/injecting/smoking of a psychoactive substance

4. Analysis

4.1 Between the period 3rd April to 30th September 2017 the following warnings and fixed penalty notices have been issued:

4.1.1 Twenty six verbal warnings (breakdown as follows):

- 15 anti-social begging
- 6 consuming alcohol
- 1 failure to surrender alcohol
- 3 bin raking
- 1 anti-social/unauthorised street trading

4.1.2 Twenty five of the verbal warnings were effective and did not escalate to the issuing of a fixed penalty notice. There was one fixed penalty notice issued for anti-social begging.

5. Impact

5.1 A number of the prohibitions included in the order are recorded under incidents of anti-social behaviour which has reduced overall in the PSPO area by 7% when comparing the period April- September 2016 with April to September 2017.

5.2 Place management staff have reported that the weekly clean-up cost in some geographical areas in the city centre has halved since the implementation of this order. However, it should be noted other tactics to deter access to bins have been deployed alongside the order to tackle the issue of bin raking.

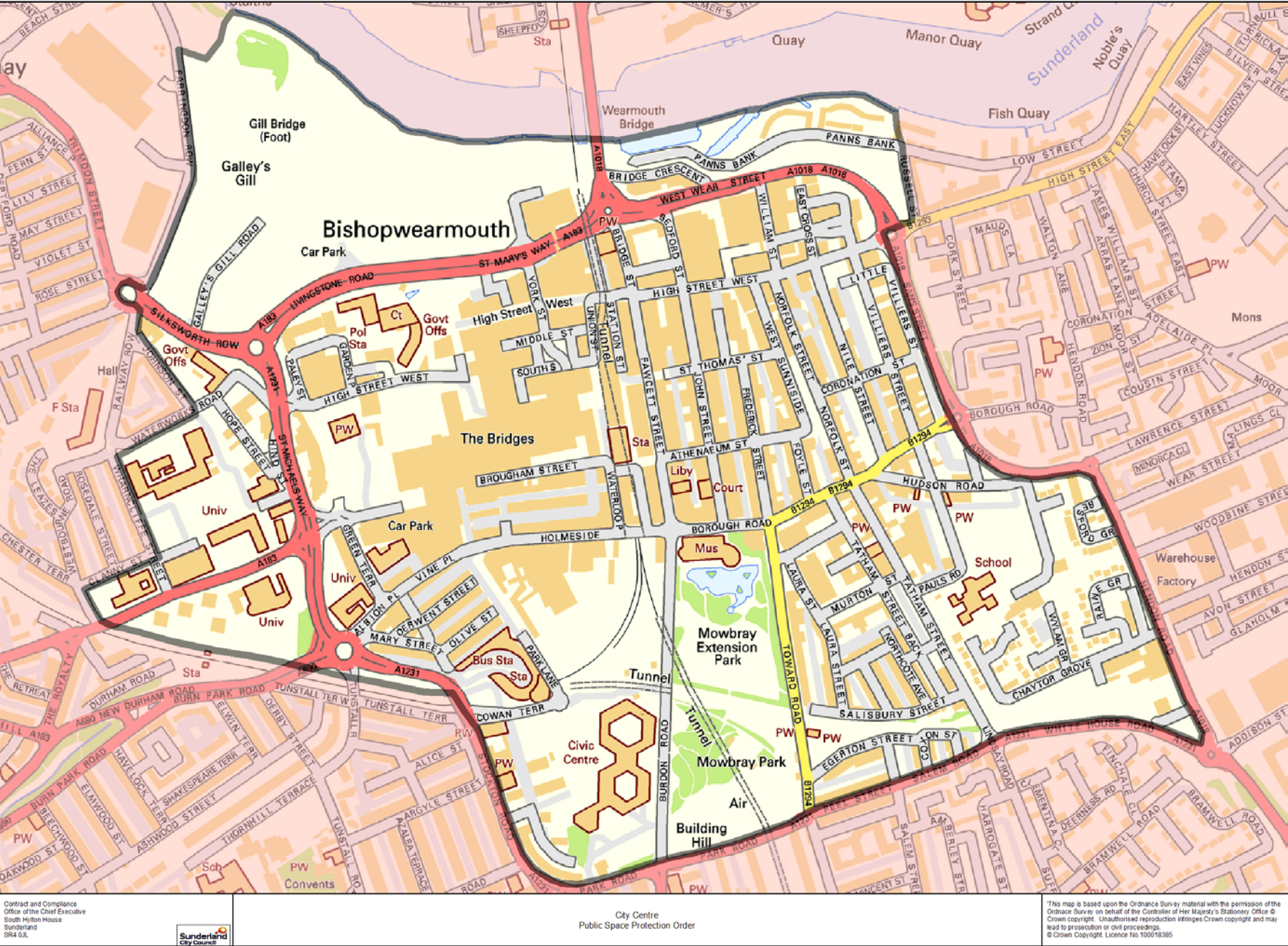
5.3 Feedback from the Business Investment District has been positive and they are working with us to help police the order going forward.

5.4 New signage has been installed at key locations within the prohibited area (see appendix 2).

6. Recommendations

6.1 The Committee is asked to consider and comment on the findings of this report.

APPENDIX ONE –RESTRICTED AREA (yellow shaded area marked with black boundary)



You are in an area controlled by a Public Space Protection Order

Within this restricted area there are certain things you must or must not do and police and authorised council officers can impose certain requirements.

You must not engage in any of the following:

- Aggressive begging
- Aggressive street trading/peddling
- Anti-social use of skateboards and cycles
- Bin raking
- Drinking alcohol (except in licensed areas)
- Use of psychoactive substances (legal highs)

And you must:

- Clean up after your dog
- Keep your dog out of signed play areas
- Keep your dog on a lead in the park or when requested by an officer
- Stop drinking and surrender any alcohol when requested by an officer

If you do not comply, you may receive a £75 fixed penalty notice or face prosecution and a fine of up to £500 (for alcohol-related breaches) or up to £1,000 (in all other cases).

For a full copy of the Order visit: www.sunderland.gov.uk/pspo



ANNUAL WORK PROGRAMME 2017-18

**REPORT OF THE HEAD OF MEMBER SUPPORT AND COMMUNITY
PARTNERSHIPS**

1. Purpose of the Report

- 1.1 The report sets out the current work programme of the Committee for the 2017-18 municipal year.

2. Background

- 2.1 The work programme is designed to set out the key issues to be addressed by the Committee during the year and provide it with a timetable of work. The Committee itself is responsible for setting its own work programme, subject to the coordinating role of the Scrutiny Coordinating Committee.
- 2.2 The work programme is intended to be a working document which Committee can develop throughout the year, allowing it to maintain an overview of work planned and undertaken during the Council year.
- 2.3 In order to ensure that the Committee is able to undertake all of its business and respond to emerging issues, there will be scope for additional meetings or visits not detailed in the work programme.
- 2.4 In delivering its work programme the Committee will support the Council in achieving its corporate outcomes

3. Current position

- 3.1 The current work programme is attached as an appendix to this report.

4. Conclusion

- 4.1 The work programme is intended to be a flexible mechanism for managing the work of the Committee in 2017-18.

5 Recommendation

- 5.1 That Members note the information contained in the work programme.

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Policy Framework/ Cabinet Referrals and Responses										
Scrutiny Business	Remit and Work Programme of Committee International Advanced Manufacturing Park (Les Clark)	Business Improvement District (Sharon Appleby BID) City of Culture Bid 2021 (Rebecca Ball)	Local Plan (Ian Fairlamb) Section 106 Agreements (Ian Fairlamb)	Events – Airshow Post Event Review (Victoria French) Infrastructure (Dan Hattle)	Sunderland Music, Arts and Culture Trust (Paul Callaghan) International Strategy / Development of SME sector (Catherine Auld) International Advanced Manufacturing Park – Area Action Plan (Louise Moody)	Public Space Protection Orders (PSPO) (Stuart Douglass) Siglion – Progress Report (John Seager Chief Executive)	Housing Strategy (Liz McEvoy)	Environmental Enforcement (Nicky Rowland) Libraries Update (Sandra Mitchell/Nick Wood) Business Centres Progress Report (Catherine Auld)	Sunderland Cultural Partnership (Keith Merrin, Chief Executive Sunderland Culture) Key Cities – Progress (Jill Laverick)	Sunderland Strategic Transport Corridor/New Wear Bridge (Les Clark/Mark Jackson) Refuse Collection (Mark Speed) Events Feedback (Victoria French) Sunderland Rail Station (Mark Jackson) Northumbria Road Safety Partnership (Mark Jackson)
Performance/ Service Improvement										
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To Programme:

City of Culture bid (Rebecca Ball)
 Stadium Village Plan (Dan Hattle)
 Holmeside Masterplan (Dan Hattle)
 Adult Training (Steph Rose)
 Visit to Innovation Xchange Hope Street (Rebecca Robinson)
 Industrial Strategy (Vince Taylor)
 Local Plan/Infrastructure – Consultation Feedback (Louise Moody)

NOTICE OF KEY DECISIONS**REPORT OF THE HEAD OF MEMBER SUPPORT AND
COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS****1. PURPOSE OF THE REPORT**

- 1.1 To provide Members with an opportunity to consider the items on the Executive's Notice of Key Decisions.

2. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

- 2.1 Holding the Executive to account is one of the main functions of Scrutiny. One of the ways that this can be achieved is by considering the forthcoming decisions of the Executive (as outlined in the Notice of Key Decisions) and deciding whether Scrutiny can add value in advance of the decision being made. This does not negate Non-Executive Members ability to call-in a decision after it has been made.
- 2.2 To this end, the most recent version of the Executive's Notice of Key Decisions is included on the agenda of this Committee. The Notice of Key Decisions is attached marked **Appendix 1**.

3. CURRENT POSITION

- 3.1 In considering the Notice of Key Decisions, Members are asked to consider only those issues where the Scrutiny Committee or relevant Scrutiny Panel could make a contribution which would add value prior to the decision being taken.
- 3.2 In the event of Members having any queries that cannot be dealt with directly in the meeting, a response will be sought from the relevant Directorate.

4. RECOMMENDATION

- 4.1 To consider the Executive's Notice of Key Decisions at the Scrutiny Committee meeting.

5. BACKGROUND PAPERS

- Cabinet Agenda

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The Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012

Notice is given of the following proposed Key Decisions (whether proposed to be taken in public or in private) and of Executive Decisions (including key decisions) intended to be considered in a private meeting:-

Item no.	Matter in respect of which a decision is to be made	Decision-maker (if individual, name and title, if body, its name and see below for list of members)	Key Decision Y/N	Anticipated date of decision/ period in which the decision is to be taken	Private meeting Y/N	Reasons for the meeting to be held in private	Documents submitted to the decision-maker in relation to the matter	Address to obtain further information
170425/189	Agreement to procure a developer for the redevelopment and disposal of land at Site D, Sheepfolds Industrial Estate and the exercising of Option to Purchase Hay Street Units at Sheepfolds Industrial Estate	Cabinet	Y	During the period 18 October to 31 December 2017	Y	The report is one which relates to an item during the consideration of which by Cabinet the public are likely to be excluded under Paragraphs 3 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972, as amended, as the report will contain information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information). The public interest in maintaining this exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.	Cabinet Report	Governance Services Civic Centre PO BOX 100 Sunderland SR2 7DN committees@sunderland.gov.uk

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170725/196	To approve the Sunderland Energy Storage - ERDF Project	Cabinet	Y	During the period 10 January to 31 March 2018.	N	Not applicable	Cabinet Report	Governance Services Civic Centre PO BOX 100 Sunderland SR2 7DN committees@sunderland.gov.uk
170810/205	To approve the freehold acquisition of a property to provide children's services accommodation.	Cabinet	Y	During the period 10 January to 31 March 2018.	Y	The report is one which relates to an item during the consideration of which by Cabinet the public are likely to be excluded under Paragraphs 3 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972, as amended, as the report will contain information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information). The public interest in maintaining this exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.	Cabinet report	Governance Services Civic Centre PO BOX 100 Sunderland SR2 7DN committees@sunderland.gov.uk

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170824/209	To consider capital new starts for inclusion in the full capital programme 2018/19 to 2021/22.	Cabinet	Y	13 December 2017	N	Not applicable	Cabinet Report	Governance Services Civic Centre PO BOX 100 Sunderland SR2 7DN committees@sunderland.gov.uk
170915/211	To seek cabinet approval for the Procurement and award of contracts to providers for Local Welfare Provision	Cabinet	Y	22 November 2017	N	Not applicable.	Cabinet report	Governance Services Civic Centre PO BOX 100 Sunderland SR2 7DN committees@sunderland.gov.uk
170927/212	To approve in principle the establishment of a new police led Road Safety Partnership (Northumbria Road Safety Partnership) embracing the Northumbria Force area.	Cabinet	Y	During the period 10 January to 31 March 2018.	N	Not applicable	Cabinet report	Governance Services Civic Centre PO BOX 100 Sunderland SR2 7DN committees@sunderland.gov.uk

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171019/214	To approve the proposed disposal of land at Usworth, Washington.	Cabinet	Y	During the period 13 December 2017 to 31 January 2018	N	Not applicable	Cabinet report	Governance Services Civic Centre PO BOX 100 Sunderland SR2 7DN committees@sunderland.gov.uk
171024/216	To seek approval to: 1) to award a contract for the hire and installation of pontoons on river and Port quaysides 2) proceed with the capital dredging programme proposed for parts of the River Wear and the Port 3) proceed with the refurbishment of Jubilee Quay (Wooden Quay) in Hudson Dock.	Cabinet	Y	10 January 2018	N	Not applicable	Cabinet Report	Governance Services Civic Centre PO BOX 100 Sunderland SR2 7DN committees@sunderland.gov.uk

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171024/217	To approve:- 1) the establishment of the Football Trust and to recommend to council the appointment of Trustees 2) The procurement process to appoint an operator for the Parklife football hubs 3) the city's Playing Pitch Plan	Cabinet	Y	8 February 2018	N	Not applicable	Cabinet Report	Governance Services Civic Centre PO BOX 100 Sunderland SR2 7DN committees@sunderland.gov.uk
171102/218	To approve a scheme for structural maintenance of A1231 Stockton Road Bridge	Cabinet	Y	During the period 10 January to 07 February 2018	N	Not applicable	Cabinet Report	Governance Services Civic Centre PO BOX 100 Sunderland SR2 7DN committees@sunderland.gov.uk
171103/219	To seek approval to recommend to Council the Council Tax Base for 2018/2019.	Cabinet	Y	10 January 2018	N	Not applicable	Cabinet Report	Governance Services Civic Centre PO BOX 100 Sunderland SR2 7DN committees@sunderland.gov.uk

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171103/220	To recommend the Revenue Budget 2018/2019 to 2020/2021 – Update and Provisional Revenue Support Settlement for approval.	Cabinet	Y	10 January 2018	N	Not applicable	Cabinet Report	Governance Services Civic Centre PO BOX 100 Sunderland SR2 7DN committees@sunderland.gov.uk
171103/221	To recommend the Revenue Budget Third Review 2017/2018 for approval.	Cabinet	Y	10 January 2018	N	Not applicable	Cabinet Report	Governance Services Civic Centre PO BOX 100 Sunderland SR2 7DN committees@sunderland.gov.uk
171103/222	To recommend the Capital Programme Third Review 2017/2018 (including Treasury Management) and Provisional Resources 2018/2019 for approval.	Cabinet	Y	10 January 2018	N	Not applicable	Cabinet Report	Governance Services Civic Centre PO BOX 100 Sunderland SR2 7DN committees@sunderland.gov.uk
171106/223	To recommend for approval to full Council the Local Council Tax Support Scheme for 2018/2019.	Cabinet	Y	10 January 2018	N	Not Applicable	Cabinet report	Governance Services Civic Centre PO BOX 100 Sunderland SR2 7DN committees@sunderland.gov.uk

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171107/224	To approve the Highway Asset Management Policy and Strategy.	Cabinet	Y	10 January 2018	N	Not applicable	Report to Cabinet	Governance Services Civic Centre PO BOX 100 Sunderland SR2 7DN committees@sunderland.gov.uk
171107/225	To seek approval to enter into an overarching Enterprise Zone Pooled Business Rates Income Agreement with the North East LEP and its accountable body the North East Combined Authority.	Cabinet	Y	During the period 13th December 2017 to 28th February 2018	N	Not Applicable	Cabinet report	Governance Services Civic Centre PO BOX 100 Sunderland SR2 7DN committees@sunderland.gov.uk
171107/226	To provide Cabinet with an update on the assessment process to identify a preferred sponsor for a new autism school in the city.	Cabinet	Y	14 December 2017	N	Not Applicable	Cabinet Report	Governance Services Civic Centre PO BOX 100 Sunderland SR2 7DN committees@sunderland.gov.uk

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171113/227	For Cabinet to receive and approve the draft Youth Justice Plan 2017/18. Cabinet are requested to refer to Scrutiny Committee and Council for final approval.	Cabinet	Y	13 December 2017	N	Not applicable	Cabinet report Youth Justice Plan 2017/18	Governance Services Civic Centre PO BOX 100 Sunderland SR2 7DN committees@sunderland.gov.uk

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Further documents relevant to the matters to be decided can be submitted to the decision-maker. If you wish to request details of those documents (if any) as they become available, or to submit representations about a proposal to hold a meeting in private, you should contact Governance Services at the address below.

Subject to any prohibition or restriction on their disclosure, copies of documents submitted to the decision-maker can also be obtained from the Governance Services team PO Box 100, Civic Centre, Sunderland, or by email to committees@sunderland.gov.uk

Who will decide;

Cabinet; Councillor Henry Trueman – Deputy Leader; Councillor Mel Speding – Cabinet Secretary; Councillor Louise Farthing – Children’s Services; Councillor Graeme Miller – Health, Housing and Adult Services; Councillor John Kelly – Public Health, Wellness and Culture; Councillor Michael Mordey – City Services; Councillor Cecilia Gofton – Responsive Services and Customer Care

This is the membership of Cabinet as at the date of this notice. Any changes will be specified on a supplementary notice.

Elaine Waugh

Head of Law and Governance **14 November 2017**