

UPDATE/PROGRESS WITH MATTERS PREVIOUSLY CONSIDERED BY THE SOCIETY, ENVIRONMENT, AND COUNCIL DEVELOPMENT EAB

Date of Meeting	Item	Lead Officer	Lead Councillor	Action Agreed	Progress to date
04-Apr-16	The Future of Guildford Museum	James Whiteman Director of Environment Jill Draper Heritage Manager	Cllr Geoff Davis now Cllr Nikki Nelson-Smith	The Board fully supported the recommendations for Executive's consideration on 19 April 2016 and subject to its approval, looked forward to the reinvention and development of Guildford Museum as part of Guildford's 'Heritage Quarter'.	<p>The Executive noted the EAB's comments and agreed:</p> <p>(1) To commission a feasibility and costing report for the proposed new build extension to the current Museum buildings and approved the vision of developing an updated and exciting museum offering at that site.</p> <p>(2) To transfer £240,000 from the provisional capital programme (ED18(p) Museum and Castle Development scheme to the approved capital programme to carry out the work referred to in paragraph (1) above.</p> <p>(3) To authorise the Director of Environment, in consultation with the Lead Councillor for Economic Development, Heritage and Tourism:</p> <p>(i) to establish a Development Group, consisting of internal representatives and external partners, to assist in the delivery of improvements to the Museum; and</p> <p>(ii) to develop a fundraising strategy and related fundraising committee with a view to identifying and securing external grants and funding for improvements to the Museum</p> <p>(4) To request the Museum Working Group to review and make recommendations on the future of the Victorian Schoolroom, including the possible sale of 39½ Castle Street, should the Schoolroom be discontinued.</p> <p>(5) To approve the Action Plan and request the Museum Working Group to continue its work to deliver the Action Plan.</p> <p>Item to be brought back to the Board on 09 April 2018.</p>
13-Apr-16	Proposed Submission: Local Plan: Strategy and Sites	Stuart Harrison Planning Policy Manager	Cllr Paul Spooner	<p>The Board agreed to submit the following comments to the Executive:</p> <p>(1) To consider the Board's overwhelming concern about the lack of adequate infrastructure to support planned development particularly in its rural areas. Sufficient infrastructure should be delivered when needed to support the cumulative impact of development in the future, in particular for sites that are too small to provide their own infrastructure directly themselves, but which cumulatively would have an impact.</p> <p>(2) To give assurance and guarantee that infrastructure improvements would be delivered in time to support planned growth.</p> <p>(3) To consider reviewing the methodology employed in the Green Belt and Countryside Study, specifically in relation to deciding between, low, medium and high sensitivity areas. This would ensure that it was defensible when examined by the Secretary of State.</p>	<p>At its special meeting on 11 May 2016, the Executive noted the EAB's comments and recommended to full Council that the draft Local Plan: strategy and sites document be approved for public consultation, subject to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the removal of site allocation policy A43 Land around Burnt Common warehouse, London Road, Send, and • replacement of site allocation policy A43 with a new site to the east of Burnt Common Lane, south of Portsmouth Road, and north of the A3 known as Garlick's Arch, Send Marsh/Burnt Common and Ripley

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13-Apr-16	Proposed Submission: Local Plan: Strategy and Sites (cont.d)			<p>(4) To support the strongest worded affordable housing policy we can have within the remit of sustainable development.</p> <p>(5) To safeguard green spaces and green approaches in Guildford Town and its surrounding countryside so to enhance the quality of life for all.</p> <p>(6) To review whether a higher windfall assumption is justified.</p>	
23-May-16	Implications for Guildford of the 'Surrey Infrastructure Study'	Neil Taylor Director of Development	Cllr Matt Furniss	The Board acknowledged that the Surrey Infrastructure Study had provided a useful framework to look at the infrastructural challenges that faced Guildford whilst also acknowledging the number of caveats that existed. The Board also recognised the significant work that had already been undertaken to bridge funding gaps and looked forward to the development and implementation of Guildford's Infrastructure Plan overall.	13/11/17 Update from Tracey Coleman: The infrastructure plan is a continuing piece of work to support the Local Plan. We have a special meeting for full council to consider its submission on 21st of November and hopefully submission mid December. Planning Policy Team are working flat out to meet these deadlines. We could respond after this period, when we have more time to update you on the programme and detail of work undertaken.
11-Jul-16	Stoke Park Masterplan	Paul Stacey Parks and Landscape Manager	Cllr Richard Billington	The Board fully endorsed the formation of a project board. The Parks and Landscape Manager would be invited back to the Borough, Economy and Infrastructure meeting in a year's time to look at setting up a project board and how to take this forward.	The Board will invite back Paul Stacey (Parks and Landscape Manager) to a meeting in approx. one year for an update on the establishment of a project board. Scheduled for Board meeting 21 May 2018
31-Oct-16	Multi-Use Sports and Entertainment Facility	Jonathan Sewell	Cllrs Iseult Roche/ Richard Billington	For information item. The Board made a number of comments for Lead Councillors to consider.	<p>A viability study and public consultation programme will be developed in due course.</p> <p>10/11/17 Update from Jonathan Sewell: The item that went to the EAB covered two linked items; the above and "complete the refurbishment of Spectrum including the roof, the air handling system and other improvements". The new facility was secondary to undertaking the necessary maintenance so that a window of opportunity was created to plan and progress a replacement for Guildford Spectrum. An alternate scheme has been developed and contractors procured. Progress in key aspects:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Work underway for the revised roof maintenance by over roofing the pools and applying a liquid plastic treatment to the other roofs to eliminate/reduce water ingress. Drip trays installed at various locations around the building to deal with leaks from the internal gutters. This work is nearly finished. Work being undertaken by Southern Industrial Roofing is programmed to be finished by December 23. • Steelwork repairs in the Pools Hall are almost complete. Contractors are completing final tasks in the Pools Hall, including additional repairs identified as a result of increased access. Repair programme has been extensive and all structural steelwork has been painted, roof purlins and some other areas normally difficult to access cleaned. Final repairs and snagging have been delayed by some maintenance Freedom Leisure have commissioned the contractors to do at the same time and unfortunately their work has overrun resulting in the Leisure pool being closed longer than the original programme. Leisure Pool is due to reopen 25 November following completion of the Freedom Leisure works.

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31-Oct-16	Multi-Use Sports and Entertainment Facility (cont.d)				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Repairs to smoke vents are ongoing with scaffold at various corridor locations around the building. This work is scheduled to be completed by December 20 however we are trying to push the contractors to an earlier completion date. These works are not affecting the customer's ability to use the facilities. • The Air Handling Unit in the Leisure Pool has been through an initial phase of upgrades. The upgrades are split into two possible phases, if the initial phase achieves the target air flow the second phase of upgrades will not be necessary. If the second phase is necessary it can be done without impacting on the customer. • The project works will cost less than £3m to complete (excludes the revenue impact of the closures which is likely to be circa £280k) and has been geared to a minimum ten year life span for the building. • Our project closed the competition, the dive and the teaching pools for a period of four weeks from 7th August. Subsequent restrictions on access to the Dive pool has been due to Freedom Leisure works to the dive boards and platforms. Our project closed the Leisure Pool for 46 days from September 4th, subsequent periods of closure of the Leisure Pool has been due to Freedom Leisure maintenance works. There have been some other minor impacts on customer access due to our projects however these have been insignificant. • There has been some background research on potential inclusion of facilities in a new facility however the work on this will not commence in earnest until this maintenance programme is complete. This is as per the paper presented to the EAB.
14-Nov-16	Public Art Strategy	Jonathan Sewell	Cllr Nikki Nelson-Smith	The Board supported the need for a new Public Art Strategy and made a number of suggestions regarding sources of funding.	The proposed timeline included a period of public consultation in the spring and delivery of a draft to the executive in June 2017. Item scheduled for Board 16/10/17
	Rural Economy Strategy	Chris Burchell Chris Stanton now	Cllr Richard Billington	The Board welcomed this piece of work and the creation of a designated post. It reviewed and commented on a set of draft priorities and objectives. A rural mapping exercise was underway which would inform the work.	<p>Rural Economic Strategy 2017-2022 published July 2017, Document can be downloaded from www.guildford.gov.uk/ruraleconomy All councillors have received a printed copy of the Strategy.</p> <p>The Strategy was approved at Full Council on 9 May but full publication was held over to enable coverage of the General Election outcome and the announcement of Michael Gove (MP for Surrey Heath) as the new Environment Secretary.</p> <p>Comments made at the EAB were most helpful in shaping the overall presentation of the Strategy and some particular aspects of content. The Rural Officer conveyed his gratitude to the Board.</p>

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09-Jan-17	M25 Junction 10/A3 Wisley Interchange Consultation	Graham Brown Atkins Global and Hugh Coakley Highways Agency	Cllr Matt Furniss	The Board made a number of recommendations to be submitted as part of the initial consultation.	The proposed timeline included a period of non-statutory public consultation on 16 Feb 2017 and a preferred route announcement in August 2017. The statutory public consultation would take place from October 2017 – February 2018. A DCO application proposed in July 2018 with construction anticipated to start in March 2020 and opened to traffic in March 2023. The Board welcomed further input at a later stage.
20-Apr-17	Proposed Submission (Local Plan)	Tracey Coleman	Cllr Paul Spooner	The Board recommended that the draft Local Plan as submitted to the Board, be approved for formal public consultation for a period of six weeks beginning 9 June 2017 – 24 July 2017 subject to one amendment.	The Local Plan was taken to the Executive on 16 May 2017 and incorporated the Board's comments.
13-Sep-17	Bike Share Scheme	Rob Curtis Major Projects Transport Planner	Cllr Matt Furniss	<p>The Board:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> supported undertaking a feasibility study for a bikeshare scheme; felt it was important that if there were different bikeshare schemes in Guildford that they be compatible, although not necessarily the same provider; supported traditional docking over free-floating but felt the feasibility study could examine both; felt options for the capital and revenue costs be examined, including a capital-free scheme; advised the locations of docking stations should not be confined to the town centre; infrastructure improvements were important to the scheme, <p>Suggested:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> the BID and other retailers be consulted over the proposed scheme; opportunities to link the bike share scheme to other corporate ambitions; and any legal or liability implications from introducing a public bike share scheme. 	
	Electric Cars	Kevin McKee Parking Services Manager		Board members suggested the development of an app for an electric charging reservation system	
16-Oct-17	Public Arts Strategy	Jo James Community Leisure Manager	Cllr Nikki Nelson-Smith	The Board asked to receive an update on progress after two years. The Board commended the strategy to the Executive.	
	Design Guide	Meave Faulkner Design & Conservation Team Leader	Cllr Paul Spooner	<p>The Design and Conservation Team Leader agreed to look again at proposed timescales.</p> <p>The Design and Conservation Team Leader agreed to discuss the Board's concerns with officers.</p> <p>The Lead Councillor for Housing and Environment agreed to speak to the Lead Councillor for Planning and Regeneration to determine whether additional resources could be put into place to ensure that the design guide, including the residential extensions guidance, was complete by the time the new local plan came into force.</p> <p>The Board expressed an urgent wish to have a task group, so that elected members could have input into the process.</p>	