

MEETING DATE / ITEM	RECOMMENDATION	REFERRED TO	RESPONSE TO RECOMMENDATIONS
10 June 2015			
Establishment of Task and Finish Group to Review Peterborough Housing Strategy	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Committee endorsed the establishment of the Task and Finish Group to review the Peterborough Housing Strategy and agreed the Terms of Reference and Membership of the Task and Finish Group. 2. The Committee also recommended that the Task and Finish Group take in to consideration when reviewing the Housing Strategy that the Armed Forces Covenant was being fully implemented with regard to the provision of special access to private housing schemes for Armed Forces personnel. 	Task and Finish Group	Task and Finish Group set up and held first meeting on 14 July 2015. Task and Finish Group presented an interim report to the Committee on 25 January 2016.
16 July 2015			
Peterborough City Council's Biodiversity Strategy Progress Report	<p>The Committee recommends that the Wildlife Officer:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) Look at better ways of communicating to the public about biodiversity and its benefits; and how Amey can communicate to the public which areas have been set aside for biodiversity and which areas have a 	James Fisher	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) This will be raised with the Amey Partnership Manager to agree best approach to communicating and identifying biodiversity areas in advance of 2016 season.

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	<p>management regime in place.</p> <p>b) That the Wildlife Officer contacts councillors in order to identify other areas across the city that would be suitable to become biodiversity areas.</p> <p>c) That the council as part of its general landscape management through Amey should seek to identify any areas of Japanese Knotweed and ensure the appropriate action is taken.</p>		<p>b) This has been raised with the Amey Partnership Manager who also supports the idea of contacting Councillors to identify/ modify biodiversity areas. It has been suggested that Councillors be approached via the Members bulletin asking them to come forward with suggestions.</p> <p>c) This issue will be raised with Amey and highlight the importance of taking appropriate action to tackle Japanese Knotweed at the earliest opportunity.</p>
15 September 2015			
Amey Annual Partnership Report	The Committee recommend that the Director of Governance look at how the Committees concerns regarding low penalties being imposed with regard to fly tipping offences by the courts could be raised with the local Magistrates courts.	Kim Sawyer	<p>Response from the Assistance Director of Legal and Democratic Services:</p> <p>We will liaise with the Magistrates Court users forum to take this concern forward. We will also liaise with other local authorities to obtain their views to see whether we can provide a unified approach.</p>
12 November 2015			
Portfolio Progress Report from the Cabinet Member for Communities & Environment Capital including Environment Capital Annual Report	The Committee recommended that the Cabinet Member for Communities & Environment Capital investigate the use of council land for food growing and to encourage allotment growers	Cabinet Member for Communities and Environment	Allotments cannot be used to produce crops for sale but they can be used to give away. There are community gardens in the city that do this currently and we have many spare allotment plots that we would be happy to be used for such

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	and farmers to make available food not in demand by shops and supermarkets.	Capital	purposes.
Peterborough Preliminary Draft Local Plan	The Committee noted the report and recommended that the Principal Planning Officer take into consideration all comments raised by the Committee for inclusion in the Draft Local Plan.	Gemma Wildman	<p>The Principal Planning Officer took into consideration all comments made at the meeting and took the following action with regard to the Draft Local Plan:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) The Cardea Local Centre was added to the Preliminary draft Local Plan. b) Disability Groups were consulted on the draft Local Plan. c) The Transport Policy within the Local Plan was checked to ensure it was consistent with the 4th Local Transport Plan. d) The draft Local Plan had included mention of cemetery sites but no sites were suggested as part of the consultation.
6 January 2016			
Review of the Fourth Local Transport Plan	<p>The Committee recommended that:</p> <p>1) Air quality is monitored in the Fourth Local Transport Plan in a manner that is easy to understand and would allow Peterborough to be compared to other cities; and</p> <p>2) The long term aspiration to support the addition of further stations along the Stamford and Spalding train lines be included within the Fourth Local Transport Plan and the council will</p>		<p>The following changes were made to the Local Transport Plan (LTP4):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Air quality monitoring – in the previous plan air quality was not included within the monitoring section, but it will now be reviewed along with other targets and indicators within Section 12 (page 117) of the plan. 14 sites are monitored within the local authority area including Thorney, Walton and Stanground to name a few.

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	<p>pursue these aspirations with the relevant rail authorities.</p>		<p>b) Further stations along the Stamford and Spalding train lines – the rail strategy in the plan was amended (Section 8, page 76) to include the following statement:</p> <p>c) To support the addition of further stations along the Stamford and Spalding train lines with the relevant rail authorities subject to these (a) being supported by Cabinet and (b) only where they do not take priority over existing proposals for the rail network.</p> <p>d) Both of the above changes were approved by the Cabinet, however for the rail recommendation Cabinet clarified it to ensure that it is (a) supported by Cabinet and (b) only where this policy does not take priority over existing proposals for the rail network.</p>
25 January 2016			
<p>Task and Finish Group Report – Review of Peterborough Strategic Housing Strategy</p>	<p>The Committee noted the report and made the following recommendations: The Task and Finish Group to continue into the next municipal year and if possible with the same membership.</p> <p>That the Task and Finish Group’s housing figures as suggested in the</p>	<p>Senior Democratic Services Officer</p>	<p>New Committee to decide if they want to continue with the Task and Finish Group as per the recommendation.</p>

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	interim report be noted: i/ Affordable Rent Housing 40% ii/ Affordable to Buy Housing 35% iii/ Health Housing 8% iv/ Executive Housing 12% v/Prestige Housing 5%		
Portfolio Progress Report from the Cabinet Member for Growth, Planning, Housing and Economic Development	The Committee recommended that Cabinet examine the ways in which Parish Councils and local communities can be given a greater amount of support in the creation of neighbourhood plans.	Cllr Hiller	Cllr Hiller provided the following response: We are now and always have been receptive and will offer technical support, general advice and signposting to Parish Councils and properly constituted neighbourhood groups seeking advice regarding the creation of neighbourhood plans.
23 March 2016			
Opportunity Peterborough Update Report	The Committee agreed that Opportunity Peterborough continued to deliver good value for money and endorsed the work that they did for the city and recommended that the Council continue to support Opportunity Peterborough through the continuation of funding.	Cabinet Member for Resources	
Local Enterprise Partnership	The Committee supported the work of the Local Enterprise Partnership and recommended that the Local Enterprise Partnership focus on the Birmingham to Stanstead rail line as a priority.	Neil Darwin	Update on actions taken to follow.

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Alternative Governance Arrangements	The Committee noted the report and recommended that a comprehensive review of the impact in the reduction in number of Scrutiny Committees be undertaken within twelve months.	Alternative Governance Working Group	Following the outcome of the Elections in May 2016 a motion was put forward by the Leader, Councillor Holdich at Full Council on 23 May 2016 to continue with the current Scrutiny Committee arrangements and not move to the new Hybrid model agreed in January 2016. It was also proposed that a cross party working group be formed to undertake a further review and look at a new model as he believed the number of Scrutiny Committees under the proposed Hybrid model to be insufficient