

Business and Property Committee

Item No.....

Report title:	Forward Plan and decisions taken under delegated authority
Date of meeting:	6 November 2018
Responsible Chief Officer:	Executive Director of Finance and Commercial Services Executive Director of Community and Environmental Services
Strategic impact Providing regular information about key service issues and activities supports the Council's transparency agenda and enables Members to keep updated on services within their remit. It is important that there is transparency in decision making processes to enable Members and the public to hold the Council to account.	

Executive summary

This report sets out the Forward Plan for the Business and Property (B&P) Committee. The Forward Plan is a key document for this committee to use to shape future meeting agendas and items for consideration, in relation to delivering business and property issues in Norfolk. Each of the Council's committees has its own Forward Plan, and these are published monthly on the County Council's website. The Forward Plan for this Committee is included at **Appendix A**.

This report is also used to update the Committee on relevant decisions taken under delegated powers by the relevant Executive Director (or their team), within the scheme of delegation.

Recommendations:

Business and Property Committee are asked:

- 1. To review the Forward Plan at Appendix A and identify any additions, deletions or changes to reflect key issues and priorities the Committee wishes to consider.**
- 2. To note the delegated decisions.**

1.0 Introduction

1.1 Forward Plan

1.1.1. The Forward Plan is a key document for this committee in terms of considering and programming its future business, in relation to business and property issues in Norfolk.

1.1.2. The current version of the Forward Plan is attached at **Appendix A**.

1.1.3 The Forward Plan is published monthly on the County Council's website to enable service users and stakeholders to understand the planning business

for this Committee. As this is a key document in terms of planning for this Committee, a live working copy is also maintained to capture any changes/additions/amendments identified outside the monthly publishing schedule. Therefore, the Forward Plan attached at **Appendix A** may differ slightly from the version published on the website. If any further changes are made to the programme in advance of this meeting they will be reported verbally to the Committee.

1.2 Delegated decisions

1.2.1 The report is also used to update on any delegated decisions within the Terms of Reference of this Committee that are reported by the Executive Directors as being of public interest, financially material or contentious.

Subject: Norwich Northern Distributor Route (NDR) – land acquisitions

Decision: To acquire land needed to enable delivery of the NDR scheme. Formal notice (under Compulsory Purchase Order) was served on all landowners impacted by the NDR in January 2016. Since the update to Committee on NDR land acquisitions, one more acquisition has been finalised. A detailed list of acquisitions can be made available for Members to view, if requested.

Taken by: In line with the process agreed by Business and Property Committee in January 2018, all acquisitions have been approved by the Head of Property, Executive Director of Finance and Commercial Services, Chair of Business and Property Committee and Chair of EDT Committee.

Taken on: October 2018

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Subject: **Property transactions (including sale, lease and acquisitions).**

Decision: As listed at **Appendix B**.

Taken by: Relevant officers, as set out in the scheme of delegation.

Taken on: As listed at **Appendix B**.

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2.0 Evidence

2.1 As set out in the report and appendices.

3.0 Financial Implications

3.1 There are no direct financial implications flowing directly from members noting this report. However, the delegated decisions themselves often have significant financial implications, for example capital receipts from the sale of land/property.

4.0 Issues, risks and innovation

4.1 There are no other relevant implications to be considered by Members.

Officer Contact

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Appendix A

Forward Plan for Business and Property Committee

Issue/decision	Implications for other service committees?	Requested committee action (if known)	Lead officer
Meeting: 15 January 2019			
Member briefings and site visits	No	To update members and view property assets.	Executive Director of Finance and Commercial Services (Simon George)
Forward Plan and delegated decisions	No	To review the Committee's forward plan and agree any amendments/additions.	Executive Director of Finance and Commercial Services (Simon George)
Finance Monitoring report	No	To review the service's financial position in relation to the revenue budget, capital programme and level of reserves.	Finance Business Partner (Andrew Skiggs)
Performance management	No	Comment on performance and consider areas for further scrutiny.	Business Intelligence and Performance Analyst (Austin Goreham)
Strategic and Financial Planning 2019-20 to 202-23 and revenue budget 2019-20	No – all service committees will receive a report	To consider full budget savings proposals.	Executive Director of Finance and Commercial Services (Simon George)
Risk management	No	Review and comment on the risk information and consider any areas of risk that require a more in-depth analysis	Chief Internal Auditor (Adrian Thompson), Risk Management Officer (Thomas Osborne)
Economic Development contribution to the Norfolk & Suffolk Economic Strategy	Links to the Norfolk Infrastructure Delivery Plan, overseen by EDT committee	To note and shape future activity	Vince Muspratt

Issue/decision	Implications for other service committees?	Requested committee action (if known)	Lead officer
Inward Investment and international trade	No	To note and shape future activity	David Dukes/Dept of International Trade Interim Lead
Skills Update	At the younger end of Skills, potential implications for Children's Services' committee	To note and shape future activity	Jan Feeney
Disposal, acquisition and exploitation of Properties	No	To consider proposals to dispose of and/or acquire properties	Head of Property (Simon Hughes)
County Farms update	No	To comment on performance and note any changing circumstances, consider and take action as required.	Head of Property (Simon Hughes)
Meeting: 5 March 2019			
Member briefings and site visits	No	To update members and view property assets.	Executive Director of Finance and Commercial Services (Simon George)
Forward Plan and delegated decisions	No	To review the Committee's forward plan and agree any amendments/additions.	Executive Director of Finance and Commercial Services (Simon George)
Finance Monitoring report	No	To review the service's financial position in relation to the revenue budget, capital programme and level of reserves.	Finance Business Partner (Andrew Skiggs)
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		of risk that require a more in-depth analysis	Officer (Thomas Osborne)
France (Channel) England Programme – annual update	No	To note and understand implications of Brexit for the Programme	Carolyn Reid
Apprenticeships Training Agency pilot and next steps Development of Apprenticeships Norfolk Network	Potential implications for Children’s Services Committee	To note and shape future activity	Jan Feeney/Children’s Services
Disposal, acquisition and exploitation of Properties	No	To consider proposals to dispose of and/or acquire properties	Head of Property (Simon Hughes)
County Farms update	No	To comment on performance and note any changing circumstances, consider and take action as required.	Head of Property (Simon Hughes)

Appendix B

Property	Transaction	£ cost	£ benefit	Date of Decision
Hopton CEVA School	Lease to Academy Trust	£0	£0	22/06/2018
North Walsham Junior School	Lease of Cadet hut	£0	£1,050/year	11/07/2017
Old Buckenham School	Lease to Academy Trust	£0	£0	14/06/2018
Norwich Nelson Infant School	Lease to Academy Trust	£0	£0	06/07/2018
Harleston CEVA Primary School	Lease to Academy Trust	£0	£0	22/05/2018

Note: A list of property acquisitions relating to the NDR scheme is held separately and can be made available for members, on request.