

Meeting: Overview and Scrutiny Committee Date: 19 October 2015

Subject: Monitoring of Task and Finish Group Recommendations on the

Management of Parcels of Unadopted Green Land

Report Of: Democratic and Electoral Services Manager

Wards Affected: All

Key Decision: No Budget/Policy Framework: No

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Appendices: 1. Monitoring Sheet

## FOR GENERAL RELEASE

## 1.0 Purpose of Report

1.1 This report sets out progress made against implementation of the recommendations of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee's Task and Finish Group on the Management of Parcels of Unadopted Green Land.

## 2.0 Recommendations

2.1 Overview and Scrutiny Committee is invited to comment on progress identified in Appendix 1 and to request further monitoring if appropriate.

## 3.0 Background and Key Issues

- 3.1 The Task and Finish Group was formed in September 2014 to devise a strategy for dealing with parcels of unadopted green land in the City and neglected paths and green areas close to riverbanks and courses.
- 3.2 Following several meetings and the evaluation of various pieces of evidence, the Group published its final report and recommendations in March 2015.
- 3.3 On 25 March 2015, the Chair of the Task and Finish Group presented the report to Cabinet. Cabinet resolved the following:-
  - 'That the recommendations of the Task and Finish Group be considered, and matters that can be actioned without the need of a further report be implemented at the earliest opportunity and matters requiring more detailed consideration be the subject of a further report to Cabinet as necessary'.
- 3.4 It is good practice to monitor the implementation of Task and Finish Group recommendations approximately six months from acceptance of the Group's findings.

## 4.0 Asset Based Community Development (ABCD) Considerations

4.1 ABCD considerations were not taken into account during the course of the study.

## 5.0 Alternative Options Considered

5.1 Not Applicable.

## 6.0 Reasons for Recommendations

6.1 Monitoring of Task and Finish Group recommendations ensures that the important work carried out by the Group is not lost or overlooked.

#### 7.0 Future Work and Conclusions

7.1 Appendix 1 sets out progress made against implementation of the recommendations of the Task and Finish Group. If Overview and Scrutiny Committee is not satisfied with progress made they can request further monitoring at 3 or 6 months' time.

## 8.0 Financial Implications

8.1 There are no direct financial implications in this report, but it is possible that some may be identified in Appendix 1.

(Financial Services have been consulted in the preparation this report.)

## 9.0 Legal Implications

9.1 There are no direct legal implications in this report, but it is possible that some may be identified in Appendix 1.

(One Legal have been consulted in the preparation this report.)

## 10.0 Risk and Opportunity Management Implications

10.1 There are no risk and opportunity management implications arising from this report.

## 11.0 People Impact Assessment (PIA):

11.1 The PIA Screening Stage was completed and did not identify any potential or actual negative impact, therefore a full PIA was not required.

#### 12.0 Other Corporate Implications

#### Community Safety

12.1 There are no community safety implications arising out of this report.

## Sustainability

12.2 There are no sustainability implications arising out of this report.

## Staffing and Trade Union

12.3 There are no staffing or trade union implications arising out of this report.

# Press release drafted/approved

12.4 A press release was issued in March 2015 to coincide with the publication of the Task and Finish Group's report.

**Background Documents:** None