



Report to Communities and Neighbourhoods Transitional Committee 16th November 2021

Report of: Policy & Improvement Officer

Subject: Work Plan & Ways of Working

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Transitional Committees are being introduced to provide an early opportunity for Members to work on a cross party basis, advising the Executive in advance of decisions being made, as we make the transition to a Committee System in 2022/23.

Work Plan

Transitional Committees are advisory to the Co-operative Executive. It is therefore important that the workplans focus on key topics for the administration, aligned to the One Year Plan; and are achievable within the capacity of Transitional Committees – approximately 6 meetings during 2021/22. Transitional Committee Chairs and Executive Members have been in discussion about priorities for Transitional Committee consideration, and these are set out in the attached draft work plan. It will come to each meeting of the Transitional Committee for consideration and discussion. The most up to date version of the plan is attached.

Ways of Working

A key role of the Transitional Committee is to trial new ways of working, and use the feedback from this to help the Governance Committee decide on the final model, including ways of working, to recommend to Full Council prior to the transition to the Committee system of governance in May 2022.

Each Committee will decide how to work together, and with partners and the Community. The Chair of the C&N Transitional Committee is proposing to trial an approach that is structured around the scheduled, formal Committee meetings and to run up to two working groups to gather evidence from service users and their representatives, providers, and other relevant stakeholders alongside conducting research into relevant policy, to bring back to the Transitional Committee to inform its advice to the Executive.

The Committee is being asked to:

- Consider and comment on the draft work plan and proposed ways of working for the Communities and Neighbourhoods Transitional Committee.
 - Agree membership, approach and scope of the cross party working group on the Repairs and Maintenance Service
 - Consider the approach to the following policy discussions; Youth Strategy, Sustainable Neighbourhoods and Social Housing.
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Transitional Committee – Communities and Neighbourhoods Meetings 2021: 12th October, 16th November, 14th December Chair: Kaltum Rivers Vice Chair: Sioned Mair-Richards Executive Members: Paul Wood, Alison Teal Senior Lead Officer: John Macilwraith, Executive Director, People Services		
Draft Work Plan		
Our Future Approach to Priority Budgeting	Discussion on longer term priorities that will inform priority based budgets.	Discussion with Executive Member for Finance & Resources and Head of Policy & Partnerships. October 12th meeting.
Place Systems Review – Housing project	To advise on the implementation of this project, funding and timescales, prior to consideration by the Co-operative Executive	Paper at October 12th meeting. Deferred to November 16 th
Youth Strategy – Housing and Community Safety issues	To be the subject of a working group November to December. To consider membership of working group	Initial discussion at October 12th meeting. Committee to determine focus and approach of further work.
Sustainable Neighbourhoods/ Communities	To advise on the development of Sustainable Neighbourhoods / Communities in Sheffield – what do we mean by the term (what makes a sustainable community?), what should they look like (what does it mean in Sheffield?), how will we measure success.	Work plan discussion 12th October 2021 Agreed to focus on Community Safety issues. Scheduled for November 16 th Meeting. Further work on definition of Sustainable Neighbourhoods

		to be determined at November 16 th Meeting
Social Housing	Piece of policy work that connects to the city's Housing Strategy – the role and purpose of social housing in the city and who can access it? (Allocations Policy Review)	Work Plan discussion 12th October 2021 Agreed to look at repairs and maintenance, and RPs (Registered Private Providers of Social Housing). See below Other work to be determined at 16h November meeting
Cladding	Requested to be included in the work programme by members of the Committee	Scheduled for December 14th Meeting
Housing repairs and maintenance	Agreed to have a working group to consider the outcomes from Scrutiny and also to complement Peer Review. To include evidence of best practice from RPs and Private Sector,	To be determined - asap Private Sector Licensing scheduled for December 14th meeting