

Report of	Meeting	Date
Cabinet Member (Planning, Business Support and Regeneration)	Scrutiny Committee	Tuesday, 11 October 2022

Penwortham Masterplan

Purpose of the Report

1. To provide an update to Scrutiny Committee on the work on the Penwortham Masterplan

Recommendations

- 2. That the Scrutiny Committee note the update in this report, the early final draft of the Masterplan, the consultation report and the presentation at the Committee
- 3. That Scrutiny Committee provide any comments which can be forward to the Cabinet meeting that considers the final Masterplan.

Reasons for recommendations

4. Scrutiny Committee have asked for an update on the Penwortham Masterplan.

Other options considered and rejected

5. There are no other options.

Corporate priorities

6. The report relates to the following corporate priorities: (Please bold one)

An exemplary council	Thriving communities
A fair local economy that works for everyone	Good homes, green spaces, healthy places

Background to the report

7. The Council has been working on a new Masterplan for Penwortham since late 2020. In April 2021 Hemingway Design and GLHearn were successful is winning a competitive tender to develop a new Masterplan to cover the areas of Liverpool Road, Kingsfold and Middleforth in Penwortham.

- 8. In developing the Masterplan the consultants have carried out a series of engagement and consultation with the local community, businesses and key stakeholders. This has included the following:
 - a. Public consultation on key issues and questions in August 2021 via online survey and drop in events
 - b. Public consultation and stakeholder events throughout July and August 2022 on a draft masterplan
 - c. Separate engagement door to door with businesses
 - d. Engagement with ward members and the Town Council
- 9. The final consultation was recently held and as this report is being written the consultants are finalising the consultation report and responses to it and an update can be provided to the meeting in the presentation. However, an interim statement of consultation is attached as an appendix to this report.
- 10. The final masterplan is nearing completion taking account of all the key comments received and an early Final Draft of this is attached at Appendix A. It muts be stressed that this is still being finalised and will be presented to Cabinet for final ratification.

Next Steps

- 11. Following Scrutiny Committee consideration, the Masterplan will be finalised with Officers and GLHearn/Hemingway Design and will then be considered by Cabinet more than likely in November 2022.
- 12. Assuming the Masterplan is ultimately adopted then work will progress on how to bring forward the Masterplan and deliver the aspirations. This will be considered in future Cabinet and Council reports.

Climate change and air quality

13. The work noted in this report does not impact the climate change and sustainability targets of the Councils Green Agenda and all environmental considerations are in place.

Equality and diversity

14. The design in the masterplan has sought ensure access for all.

Risk

15. They key risk for the project is not being able to deliver the full scope of the masterplan due to increasing construction costs.

Comments of the Statutory Finance Officer

16. The report provides an update on the work that has been undertaken on the Penwortham Masterplan; there are no direct implications arising from the report at this stage.

Comments of the Monitoring Officer

17. The report is for noting and discussion by Committee. There are no direct legal implications arising. Ultimately it will be for Cabinet to decide whether to adopt the masterplan.

Background documents

There are no background papers to this report.

Appendices

Appendix A – Early Final Draft of Penwortham Masterplan (Split in 9 parts) Appendix B – Report of Consultation (Split in 4 parts)

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