

Report of Scrutiny Committee

1. This report summarises the business considered at the meeting of the Scrutiny Committee held on 17 January 2023.

Leyland Town Deal Update

2. The Deputy Leader of the Council and the Strategic Lead attended the meeting to present an update on the progress of the Leyland Town Deal and the work of the Town Deal Board.
3. We welcomed the reassurance that the Government funding is now in place and the Town Deal is progressing well;
4. The Committee is grateful for the commitment to engage with the Leyland and Farington Hub, including the Hub representative feeding back;
5. We requested that further information be provided on the risk score of not obtaining access rights and permissions and any mitigations put in place;
6. We asked that the risk concerning increasing construction costs and inflationary pressures be reviewed;
7. We suggested the format of the dashboard include a total budget box to better explain the financial position; and
8. We thanked the Deputy Leader of the Council and the Strategic Lead for their attendance and answering our questions.

Select Move Housing Allocations Policy

9. The Deputy Leader of the Council, the Director of Communities and the Housing Solutions Team Leader attended the meeting to present and seek feedback from the Committee on the draft housing allocation policy.
10. The Committee is grateful to the Deputy Leader for consulting the Committee prior to it being considered by the Cabinet;
11. We welcome and support the draft policy being submitted for consultation;
12. The Committee asked that the consultation reach out to those who do not have internet access;
13. We look forward to the results of the consultation being made available to Members.
14. We thanked the Deputy Leader of the Council, the Director of Communities and the Housing Solutions Team Leader for their attendance and answering our questions.

Recommendation(s)

That Council note the report.

Councillor Angela Turner
Chair of Scrutiny Committee