

Horsham Town Policy Development Advisory Group
15 MARCH 2023

Present: Councillors: Tony Hogben (Chairman), Karen Burgess, Peter Burgess, Christian Mitchell, Jon Olson, David Skipp and Ian Stannard

Apologies: Councillors: Toni Bradnum and Roger Noel

Absent: Councillors: Christine Costin, Stuart Ritchie and Clive Trott

Also Present: Councillor Ruth Fletcher

35 **NOTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

The notes of the meeting held on 25 January were received by the Group.

36 **APPROVAL OF THE SCAPE SERVICE REQUEST FOR MULTIDISCIPLINARY SERVICES TO DESIGN AND DELIVER PUBLIC REALM IMPROVEMENT SCHEMES FOR BISHOPRIC/WORTHING ROAD AND CARFAX 2023-2025**

The Corporate Project Manager provided a presentation on the SCAPE Service Request for Multidisciplinary Services to design and deliver public realm improvement schemes for Bishopric/Worthing Road and Carfax 2023-2025, seeking approval for the revised Service Request.

This included an overview of the public realm strategy, which highlighted the guiding principles and objectives of the project. The Corporate Project Manager advised Members that the SCAPE Consultancy and Infrastructure Framework could accelerate delivery, working collaboratively with a contractor, in order to avoid a lengthy EU tendering process. The framework is EU and UK legally compliant.

After noting the service request as outlined, the next step will be to obtain Cabinet approval. The estimated timescales for design, costings and planning permission are 12 months, with a further 12 months for construction. A request was made that provision for cycling was considered as part of the design.

It was agreed that the presentation would be circulated, and Members would provide any further comments to the Corporate Project Manager.

37 **FORWARD PLAN EXTRACT FOR THE HORSHAM TOWN CENTRE PORTFOLIO**

There were no items on the forward plan relating to the Horsham Town Centre Portfolio.

The meeting closed at 6.06 pm having commenced at 5.30 pm

CHAIRMAN