



NOTICE OF MEETING

Meeting:	Overview and Scrutiny Committee
Date and Time:	Tuesday 6 December 2022 7.00 pm
Place:	Council Chamber
Enquiries to:	Committee Services Committeeservices@hart.gov.uk
Members:	Dorn (Chairman), Smith (Vice-Chairman), Axam, Butcher, Butler, Coburn, Davies, Engström, Farmer, Wildsmith and Woods

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AGENDA

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- 1 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING** 4 - 7
- The minutes of the meeting of 8th November are attached to be confirmed and signed as a correct record.
- 2 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**
- To receive any apologies for absence from Members*.
- *Note:** Members are asked to email Committee Services in advance of the meeting as soon as they become aware they will be absent.
- 3 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**
- To declare disclosable, pecuniary and any other interests*.
- *Note:** Members are asked to email Committee Services in advance of the meeting as soon as they become aware they may have an interest to declare.
- 4 CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**
- 5 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION (ITEMS PERTAINING TO THE AGENDA)**
- Anyone wishing to make a statement to the Committee should contact Committee Services at least two clear working days prior to the meeting. Further information can be found [online](#).
- 6 SUSTRANS PRESENTATION**
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OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Date and Time: Tuesday 8 November 2022 at 7.00 pm

Place: Council Chamber

Present:

Dorn (Chairman), Smith (Vice-Chairman), Axam, Butcher, Butler, Coburn, Davies, Engström, Farmer and Lamb (substitute for Cllr Wildsmith)

In attendance:

Officers:

Daryl Phillips	Chief Executive
Graeme Clark	Executive Director, Corporate
Mark Jaggard	Executive Director, Place
Steve Bennett	Digital, Customer & Change Manager
Adam Green	Countryside Manager
Alex Jones	Flood Risk Management Officer
Joanne Rayne	Finance & Property Manager
Phil Sheppard	Infrastructure Team Manager
Claire Lord	Committee Services Officer

43 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of 27 September 2022 were confirmed and signed as a correct record.

44 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies had been received from Cllrs Wildsmith (substituted by Cllr Lamb) and Woods

45 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Farmer declared an interest in Minute 8 as the Chairman of Hart Swimming Club

46 CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Councillors were informed that due to the change in management structure, the role of Lead Officer for Overview and Scrutiny would be shared by Executive Directors for Corporate and Community.

47 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION (ITEMS PERTAINING TO THE AGENDA)

None.

48 RATIFICATION OF MEMBERSHIP OF DIRECTORATE SCRUTINY PANELS (PREVIOUSLY KNOWN AS SERVICE PANELS)

The Chairman advised members of the new Scrutiny Panel memberships.

In the short-term, members from the old Environmental and Technical Services Panel would join their relevant new Scrutiny Panel to ensure a smooth transition. The meeting agreed to this suggestion.

A query was raised about Scrutiny Panel meetings being open to non Overview and Scrutiny Committee members. It was explained that when the panels were set up it had been agreed that only Overview and Scrutiny members would sit on them.

DECISION

The Chairman’s recommended approach was agreed as below:

Board	Previous 4 Panels	New 3 x “Directorate Scrutiny Panels”
Community	Butcher, Butler, Wildsmith	Butcher, Butler, Woods
Corporate Services	Axam, Farmer, Smith	Axam, Farmer, Smith
Place	Coburn, Davies, Engström, Butler	Coburn, Engström, Butler
Environment	Axam, Farmer, Woods	

49 PLACE DIRECTORATE SCRUTINY PANEL FEEDBACK

A summary was given of the items raised at the meeting, which were detailed in the report. The meeting was reminded that the review had covered quarters 1 and 2 and included some elements relating to the transition of Environment and Technical Services into Place

The meeting noted

- The Panel had asked for effort and cost indicators to be added to the task list to help with prioritisation.

- Tier 2 savings had not yet been achieved.
- The Highways Agency Agreement Review was now included within Place.
- The Panel had requested a scoping exercise be carried out whilst the local plan review was currently in abeyance pending the outcome of the Government's Levelling Up agenda proposals.
- The water environment asset management plan had not progressed due to lack of resources.
- The Place Risk Register was to be reviewed and updated.

Concerns were raised about the Council's approach to Conservation Area Appraisals. It was agreed that a cross party, three-member Task and Finish Group would be set up to review the current arrangements to bring forward Conservation Area appraisals. The terms of reference to be agreed with the Chairman but would include engagement with Parish Councils.

Cllrs Farmer and Butler volunteered to serve on the Group and a nomination would come from the Liberal Democrat members. The Group were asked to report back to the meeting in either January or February.

DECISION

A cross party, three-member Task and Finish Group would be set up to review the current arrangements to bring forward Conservation Area appraisals. The terms of reference to be agreed with the Chairman but would include engagement with Parish Councils.

50 MEDIUM TERM FINANCIAL STRATEGY

The S151 officer introduced a presentation focused on two different elements. The first would be the 2023/24 emerging budget and MTFs. The second would be an update on how the current year was performing against budget. Members were reminded that in the current climate there was a lot of uncertainty and that certain assumptions had to be made until decisions were made nationally.

The Tier 2 savings within Place were discussed. Cllr Radley said Cabinet would be working with the Executive Director, Place to ensure that all Tier 2 savings would be achieved.

51 COMPLAINTS ANALYSIS Q2 JULY-SEPT 2022

Some concerns were raised about a couple of findings in the report. The meeting was told that management was working to improve how complaints were dealt

with and how the process and progress of complaints was communicated back to the complainant

52 MULTI-AGENCY FLOOD FORUM (MAFF)

The forum had been well attended with the Environmental Agency giving an update on the new Flood Warning service in Fleet as well as details on the Flood Alleviation Scheme.

It was noted that the forum had taken place in October and so had not taken into consideration any of the recent storms. Discussion took place around the recent flooding of Fleet Road, and it was confirmed that this incident had been fed back to Hampshire County Council (in its capacity as local highway authority).

53 FLEET POND GREEN CORRIDOR AND HARTLAND PARK MITIGATION WORKS

It was confirmed that stage 1 of the Fleet Pond project had been completed and congratulations were given to all involved.

In preparation for the commencement of Stage 2, a Fleet Pond Strategy Plan was being formulated, which would include a detailed project and spending plan. It was confirmed that all the works were going to be carried out within the £2m funding that had been identified.

54 CABINET WORK PROGRAMME

The cabinet work programme was noted.

It was noted that a Bad Debt write off item had been included. It was requested that this was put on the Overview and Scrutiny programme. This was agreed.

55 OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY WORK PROGRAMME

The Overview and Scrutiny work programme was noted and with the inclusion of the Bad Debt write off, agreed.

The meeting closed at 9.01 pm

CABINET

DATE OF MEETING: 1st December 2022

TITLE OF REPORT: **TREASURY MANAGEMENT STRATEGY STATEMENT
HALF-YEAR REVIEW REPORT 2022/23**

Report of: **Head of Corporate Services & Section 151 Officer**

Cabinet Portfolio: **Finance**

Key Decision: **No**

Confidentiality: **Non-Exempt**

PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. To report the Council's Treasury Management activities and performance during the first half of the 2022/23 financial year (April-September 2022).

RECOMMENDATION

2. To note the Treasury Management activities during the first half of the 2022/23 financial year.

BACKGROUND

Capital Strategy

3. The Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy (CIPFA)'s Prudential and Treasury Management Codes require all local authorities to prepare a Capital Strategy which is to provide the following:
 - a high-level overview of how capital expenditure, capital financing and treasury management activity contribute to the provision of services.
 - an overview of how the associated risk is managed.
 - the implications for future financial sustainability.

The Capital Strategy is updated annually and reviewed and approved by Cabinet as part of the annual budget setting process.

Treasury management

4. The Council operates a balanced budget, which broadly means cash raised during the year will meet its cash expenditure. Part of our Treasury management operations ensure this cash flow is adequately planned, with surplus monies being invested in low-risk counterparties, providing adequate liquidity, before considering optimising investment return.
5. The second main function of the Treasury management service is the funding of the Council's capital plans. These capital plans provide a guide to the borrowing

need of the Council, essentially the longer-term cash flow planning to ensure the Council can meet its capital spending operations. This management of longer-term cash may involve arranging long or short-term loans, or using longer-term cash flow surpluses, and on occasion any debt previously drawn may be restructured to meet Council risk or cost objectives.

6. Treasury management is defined as: The management of the local authority's borrowing, investments and cash flows, its banking, money market and capital market transactions; the effective control of the risks associated with those activities; and the pursuit of optimum performance consistent with those risks.

INTRODUCTION

7. This report has been written in accordance with the requirements of the Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy's (CIPFA) Code of Practice on Treasury Management. The primary requirements of the Code are as follows:

- Creation and maintenance of a Treasury Management Policy Statement which sets out the policies and objectives of the Council's treasury management activities.
- Creation and maintenance of Treasury Management Practices which set out the manner in which the Council will seek to achieve those policies and objectives.
- Receipt by the full Council of an annual Treasury Management Strategy Statement - including the Annual Investment Strategy and Minimum Revenue Provision Policy - for the year ahead, a Mid-year Review Report and an Annual Report, (stewardship report), covering activities during the previous year.
- Delegation by the Council of responsibilities for implementing and monitoring treasury management policies and practices and for the execution and administration of treasury management decisions.
- Delegation by the Council of the role of scrutiny of treasury management strategy and policies to a specific named body. For this Council the delegated body is Overview and Scrutiny Committee.

8. This mid-year report has been prepared in compliance with CIPFA's Code of Practice on Treasury Management, and covers the following:

- An economic update for the first half of the 2022/23 financial year.
- A review of the Treasury Management Strategy Statement and Annual Investment Strategy.
- The Council's capital expenditure, as set out in the Capital Strategy, and prudential indicators.
- A review of the Council's investment portfolio for 2022/23.
- A review of the Council's borrowing strategy for 2022/23.
- A review of any debt rescheduling undertaken during 2022/23.
- A review of compliance with Treasury and Prudential Limits for 2022/23.

ECONOMICS AND INTEREST RATES

Interest rate forecasts

9. The Council has appointed Link Group as its treasury advisors and part of their service is to assist the Council to formulate a view on interest rates. The PWLB rate forecasts below are based on the Certainty Rate (the standard rate minus 20 bps) which has been accessible to most authorities since 1st November 2012.
10. The latest forecast on 27th September sets out a view that both short and long-dated interest rates will be elevated for some little while, as the Bank of England seeks to squeeze inflation out of the economy, whilst the government is providing a package of fiscal loosening to try and protect households and businesses from the ravages of ultra-high wholesale gas and electricity prices.
11. The increase in PWLB rates reflects a broad sell-off in sovereign bonds internationally but more so the disaffection investors have with the position of the UK public finances after September's "fiscal event". To that end, the MPC has tightened short-term interest rates with a view to trying to slow the economy sufficiently to keep the secondary effects of inflation – as measured by wage rises – under control, but its job is that much harder now.
12. Our PWLB rate forecasts below are based on the Certainty Rate (the standard rate minus 20 bps, calculated as gilts plus 80bps) which has been accessible to most authorities since 1st November 2012.

Link Group Interest Rate View		27.09.22										
	Dec-22	Mar-23	Jun-23	Sep-23	Dec-23	Mar-24	Jun-24	Sep-24	Dec-24	Mar-25	Jun-25	Sep-25
BANK RATE	4.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	4.50	4.00	3.75	3.25	3.00	2.75	2.75	2.50
3 month ave earnings	4.50	5.00	5.00	5.00	4.50	4.00	3.80	3.30	3.00	2.80	2.80	2.50
6 month ave earnings	4.70	5.20	5.10	5.00	4.60	4.10	3.90	3.40	3.10	3.00	2.90	2.60
12 month ave earnings	5.30	5.30	5.20	5.00	4.70	4.20	4.00	3.50	3.20	3.10	3.00	2.70
5 yr PWLB	5.00	4.90	4.70	4.50	4.20	3.90	3.70	3.50	3.40	3.30	3.20	3.20
10 yr PWLB	4.90	4.70	4.60	4.30	4.10	3.80	3.60	3.50	3.40	3.30	3.20	3.20
25 yr PWLB	5.10	4.90	4.80	4.50	4.30	4.10	3.90	3.70	3.60	3.60	3.50	3.40
50 yr PWLB	4.80	4.60	4.50	4.20	4.00	3.80	3.60	3.40	3.30	3.30	3.20	3.10

TREASURY MANAGEMENT STRATEGY STATEMENT AND ANNUAL INVESTMENT STRATEGY UPDATE

13. The Treasury Management Strategy Statement (TMSS) for 2022/23 was approved by the Council on 24th February 2022.

There are no policy changes to the TMSS; the details in this report update the position in the light of the updated economic position and budgetary changes already approved.

Prudential Indicator	2022/23 Original £'000	2022/23 Revised £'000
Authorised Limit	30,000	30,000
Operational Boundary	25,000	25,000
Capital Financing Requirement	40,509	40,522

THE COUNCIL'S CAPITAL POSITION (PRUDENTIAL INDICATORS)

14. This part of the report is structured to update:

- The Council's capital expenditure plans.
- How these plans are being financed.
- The impact of the changes in the capital expenditure plans on the prudential indicators and the underlying need to borrow.
- Compliance with the limits in place for borrowing activity.

Prudential Indicator for Capital Expenditure

15. This table shows the revised estimates for capital expenditure and the changes since the capital programme was agreed at the Budget.

Capital Expenditure by Service	2022/23 Original Estimate £'000	Current Position 30/09/22 £'000	2022/23 Revised Estimate £'000
Corporate Services	90	27	367
Community Services	1,817	235	1,817
Environmental and Technical Services	1,636	1,169	2,370
Total capital expenditure	3,543	1,431	4,554

Changes to the Financing of the Capital Programme

16. The table below draws together the main strategy elements of the capital expenditure plans (above), highlighting the original supported and unsupported elements of the capital programme, and the expected financing arrangements of this capital expenditure. The borrowing element of the table increases the underlying indebtedness of the Council by way of the Capital Financing Requirement (CFR), although this will be reduced in part by revenue charges for the repayment of debt (the Minimum Revenue Provision). This direct borrowing need may also be supplemented by maturing debt and other treasury requirements.

Capital Expenditure	2022/23 Original Estimate £'000	Current Position 30/09/22 £'000	2022/23 Revised Estimate £'000
Total capital expenditure	3,543	1,431	4,554
Financed by:			
Capital grants	2,503	1,420	3,362
Capital receipts	90	6	241
Revenue	950	5	951
Total financing	3,543	1,431	4,554
Borrowing requirement	0	0	0

Changes to the Prudential Indicators for the Capital Financing Requirement (CFR), External Debt and the Operational Boundary

17. The table below shows the CFR, which is the underlying external need to incur borrowing for a capital purpose. It also shows the expected debt position over the period, which is termed the Operational Boundary.

Prudential Indicator – Capital Financing Requirement. Original forecasted Capital Financing Requirement increased in line with change in Capital expenditure.

Prudential Indicator – the Operational Boundary for external debt

Operational Boundary for external debt	2022/23 Original £'000	2022/23 Revised £'000
CFR	40,509	40,522
Borrowing	16,333	16,333

Limits to Borrowing Activity

18. The first key control over the treasury activity is a prudential indicator to ensure that over the medium term, net borrowing (borrowings less investments) will only be for a capital purpose*. Gross external borrowing should not, except in the short term, exceed the total of CFR in the preceding year plus the estimates of any additional CFR for 2022/23 and next two financial years. This allows some flexibility for limited early borrowing for future years. The Council has approved a policy for borrowing in advance of need which will be adhered to if this proves prudent.

Operational Boundary for External debt	2022/23	2022/23
	Original	Revised
	£'000	£'000
Operational Boundary	25,000	25,000
Borrowing	16,333	16,333

The Director of Corporate Services reports that no difficulties are envisaged for the current or future years in complying with this prudential indicator.

A further prudential indicator controls the overall level of borrowing. This is the Authorised Limit which represents the limit beyond which borrowing is prohibited and needs to be set and revised by Members. It reflects the level of borrowing which, while not desired, could be afforded in the short term, but is not sustainable in the longer term. It is the expected maximum borrowing need with some headroom for unexpected movements. This is the statutory limit determined under section 3 (1) of the Local Government Act 2003.

Authorised Limit for External Debt	2022/23	2022/23
	Original	Revised
	£'000	£'000
Authorised Limit	30,000	30,000
Borrowing	16,333	16,333

BORROWING

19. The Council’s capital financing requirement (CFR) for 2022/23 is £40.5m. The CFR denotes the Council’s underlying need to borrow for capital purposes. If the CFR is positive the Council may borrow from the PWLB or the market (external borrowing), or from internal balances on a temporary basis (internal borrowing). The balance of external and internal borrowing is generally driven by market conditions. This is a prudent and cost-effective approach in the current economic climate but will require ongoing monitoring in the event that any upside risk to gilt yields prevails.

PWLB maturity certainty rates (gilts plus 80bps) year to date to 30th September 2022 – information provided by treasury advisors, Link

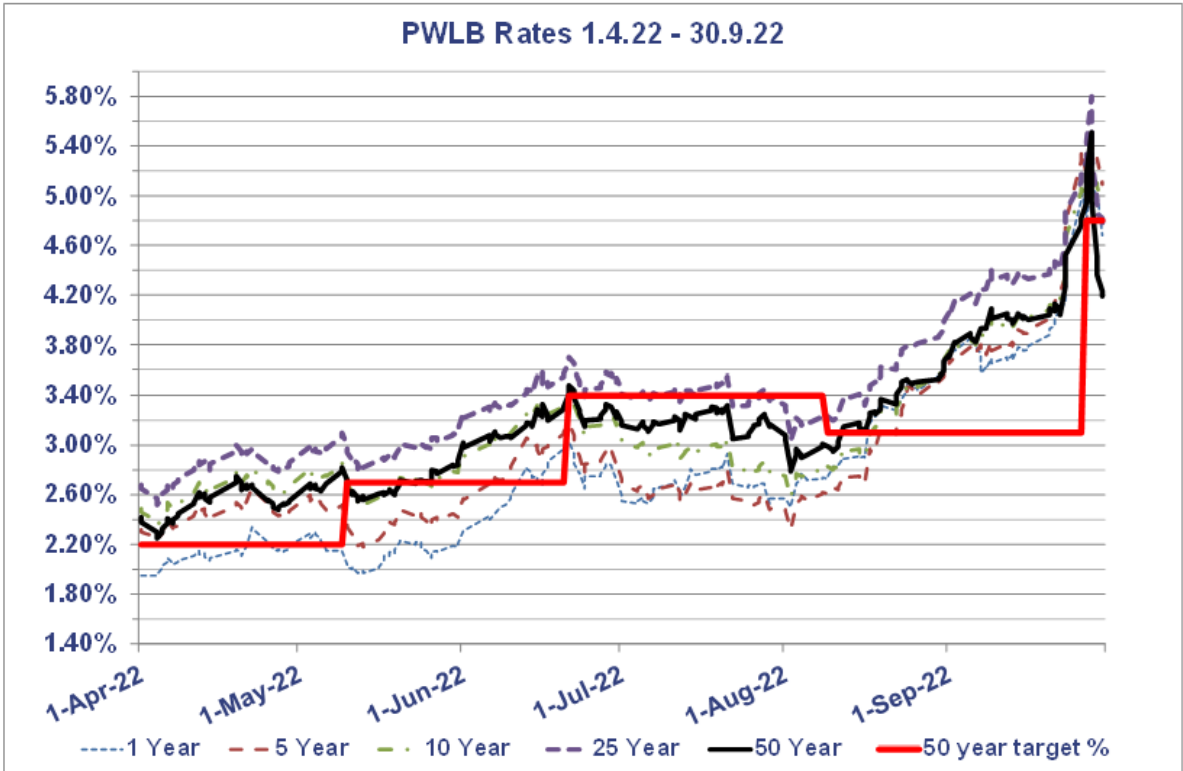
20. Gilt yields and PWLB rates were on a generally rising trend throughout H1 2022, the exception being a short rally in gilts in July/August. However, they rose sharply towards the end of September.

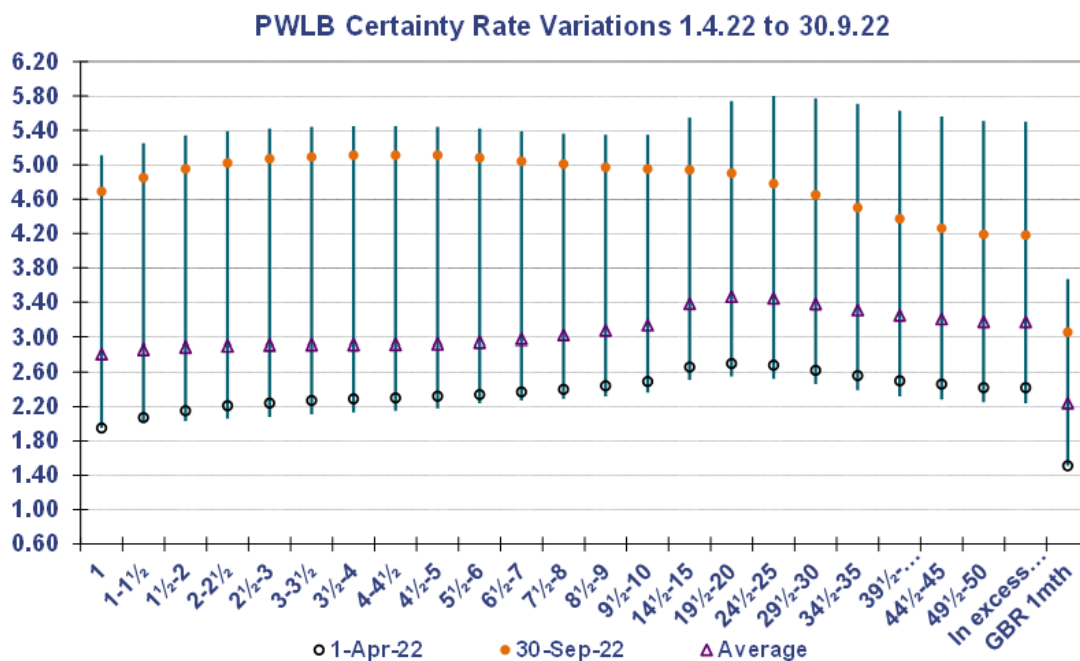
The 50-year PWLB target certainty rate for new long-term borrowing started 2022/23 at 2.20% and finished the half year at 4.80%, albeit we forecast rates to fall back to 3.10% by the end of September 2025.

The current PWLB rates are set as margins over gilt yields as follows:

- PWLB Standard Rate is gilt plus 100 basis points (G+100bps)
- PWLB Certainty Rate is gilt plus 80 basis points (G+80bps)
- Local Infrastructure Rate is gilt plus 60bps (G+60bps)

PWLB RATES 01.04.22 - 30.09.22





HIGH/LOW/AVERAGE PWLB RATES FOR 01.04.22 – 30.09.22

	1 Year	5 Year	10 Year	25 Year	50 Year
Low	1.95%	2.18%	2.36%	2.52%	2.25%
Date	01/04/2022	13/05/2022	04/04/2022	04/04/2022	04/04/2022
High	5.11%	5.44%	5.35%	5.80%	5.51%
Date	28/09/2022	28/09/2022	28/09/2022	28/09/2022	28/09/2022
Average	2.81%	2.92%	3.13%	3.44%	3.17%
Spread	3.16%	3.26%	2.99%	3.28%	3.26%

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DEBT RESCHEDULING

21. Debt rescheduling opportunities have been very limited in the current economic climate and following the various increases in the margins added to gilt yields which have impacted PWLB new borrowing rates since October 2010. No debt rescheduling has therefore been undertaken to date in the current financial year.

However, now that the whole of the yield curve has shifted higher there may be better opportunities in the future, although only prudent and affordable debt rescheduling will be considered.

COMPLIANCE WITH TREASURY AND PRUDENTIAL LIMITS

22. It is a statutory duty for the Council to determine and keep under review the affordable borrowing limits, (affordable capital expenditure limits – Scottish local authorities). During the half year ended 30th September 2022, the Council has operated within the treasury and prudential indicators set out in the Council's Treasury Management Strategy Statement for 2022/23. The Director of Corporate Services reports that no difficulties are envisaged for the current or future years in complying with these indicators.

All treasury management operations have also been conducted in full compliance with the Council's Treasury Management Practices.

ANNUAL INVESTMENT STRATEGY

23. The Treasury Management Strategy Statement (TMSS) for 2022/23, which includes the Annual Investment Strategy, was approved by the Council on 24th February 2022. In accordance with the CIPFA Treasury Management Code of Practice, it sets out the Council's investment priorities as being:

- Security of capital
- Liquidity
- Yield

The Council will aim to achieve the optimum return (yield) on its investments commensurate with proper levels of security and liquidity and with the Council's risk appetite. In the current economic climate it is considered appropriate to keep investments short term to cover cash flow needs, but also to seek out value available in periods up to 12 months with high credit rated financial institutions, using the Link suggested creditworthiness approach, including a minimum sovereign credit rating and Credit Default Swap (CDS) overlay information.

Creditworthiness

24. Following the Government's fiscal event on 23rd September, both S&P and Fitch have placed the UK sovereign debt rating on Negative Outlook, reflecting a downside bias to the current ratings in light of expectations of weaker finances and the economic outlook.

Investment Counterparty criteria

25. The current investment counterparty criteria selection approved in the TMSS is meeting the requirement of the treasury management function.

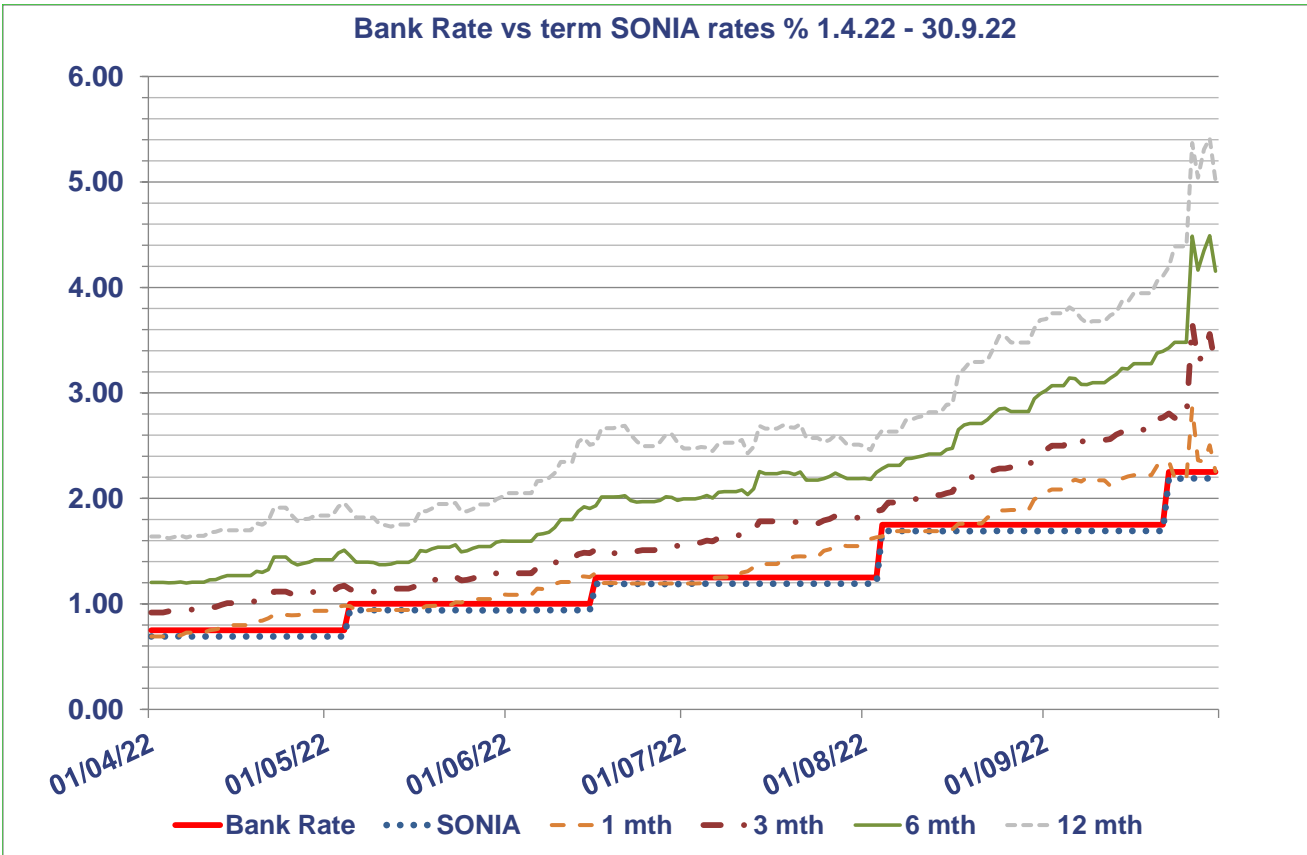
CDS prices

26. It is noted that sentiment in the current economic climate can easily shift, so it remains important to undertake continual monitoring of all aspects of risk and return in the current circumstances.

Investment balances

27. The average level of funds available for investment purposes during the first half of the financial year was £35m. These funds were available on a temporary basis, and the level of funds available was mainly dependent on the timing of precept payments, receipt of grants and progress on the capital programme.

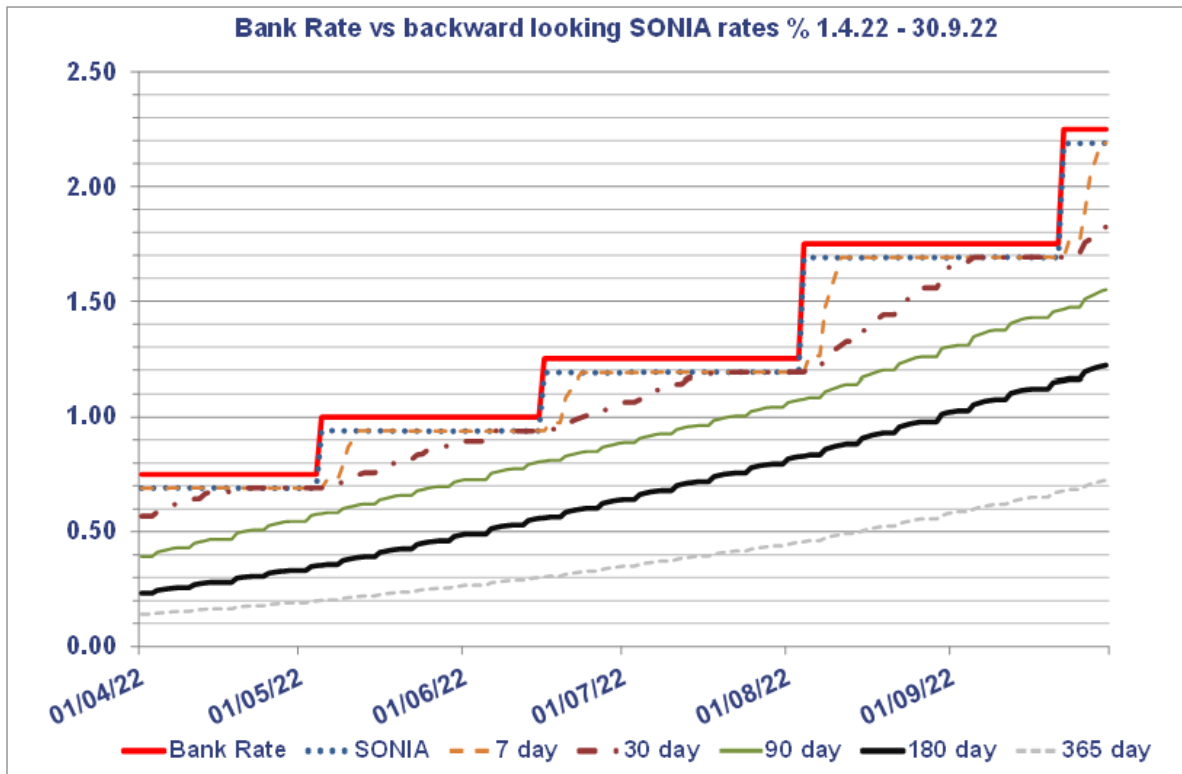
Investment performance year to date as of 30th September 2022



QUARTER ENDED 30/9/2022						
	Bank Rate	SONIA	1 mth	3 mth	6 mth	12 mth
High	2.25	2.19	2.86	3.67	4.49	5.41
High Date	22/09/2022	30/09/2022	26/09/2022	26/09/2022	29/09/2022	29/09/2022
Low	0.75	0.69	0.69	0.92	1.20	1.62
Low Date	01/04/2022	28/04/2022	01/04/2022	01/04/2022	07/04/2022	04/04/2022
Average	1.28	1.22	1.39	1.70	2.12	2.62
Spread	1.50	1.50	2.17	2.75	3.29	3.79

*The table above, for completeness, covers both the first and second quarters of 2022/23.

*SONIA = Stirling Overnight Index Average



QUARTER ENDED 30/9/2022							
	Bank Rate	SONIA	7 day	30 day	90 day	180 day	365 day
High	2.25	2.19	2.19	1.82	1.55	1.22	0.73
High Date	22/09/2022	30/09/2022	30/09/2022	30/09/2022	30/09/2022	30/09/2022	30/09/2022
Low	0.75	0.69	0.69	0.57	0.39	0.23	0.14
Low Date	01/04/2022	28/04/2022	29/04/2022	01/04/2022	01/04/2022	01/04/2022	01/04/2022
Average	1.28	1.22	1.19	1.11	0.91	0.67	0.37
Spread	1.50	1.50	1.50	1.26	1.16	0.99	0.58

*The table above, for completeness, covers both the first and second quarters of 2022/23.

Investment performance year to date as of 30th September 2022

Period	SONIA	Council performance
up to 7 days	1.19%	1.03%-1.66%
3-6 months	0.91%	2.3%-2.99%

As illustrated, the Council outperformed the benchmark. The Council's budgeted investment return for 2022/23 is £100k, and performance for the year to date is above the budget. Investment income up to 30th September is £225k. This has been estimated for the full financial year and included in the latest budget monitoring forecast reported to committee.

Approved limits

28. The Director of Corporate Services can confirm that the approved limits within the Annual Investment Strategy were not breached during the 6-month period ended 30th September 2022.

OTHER

Changes in risk appetite

There is no change in risk appetite as the security of the Council's funds is paramount and will continue to follow Link Services advice placing funds in line with The Treasury Management Strategy Statement.

EQUALITIES

All activity will comply with the authority's statutory duties.

CLIMATE CHANGE

These strategies will work alongside the council's ambition to become a carbon neutral authority by 2035. There are no direct carbon/environmental impacts arising from the recommendations. We are however, starting to move to a more sensitive and sustainable investment strategy.

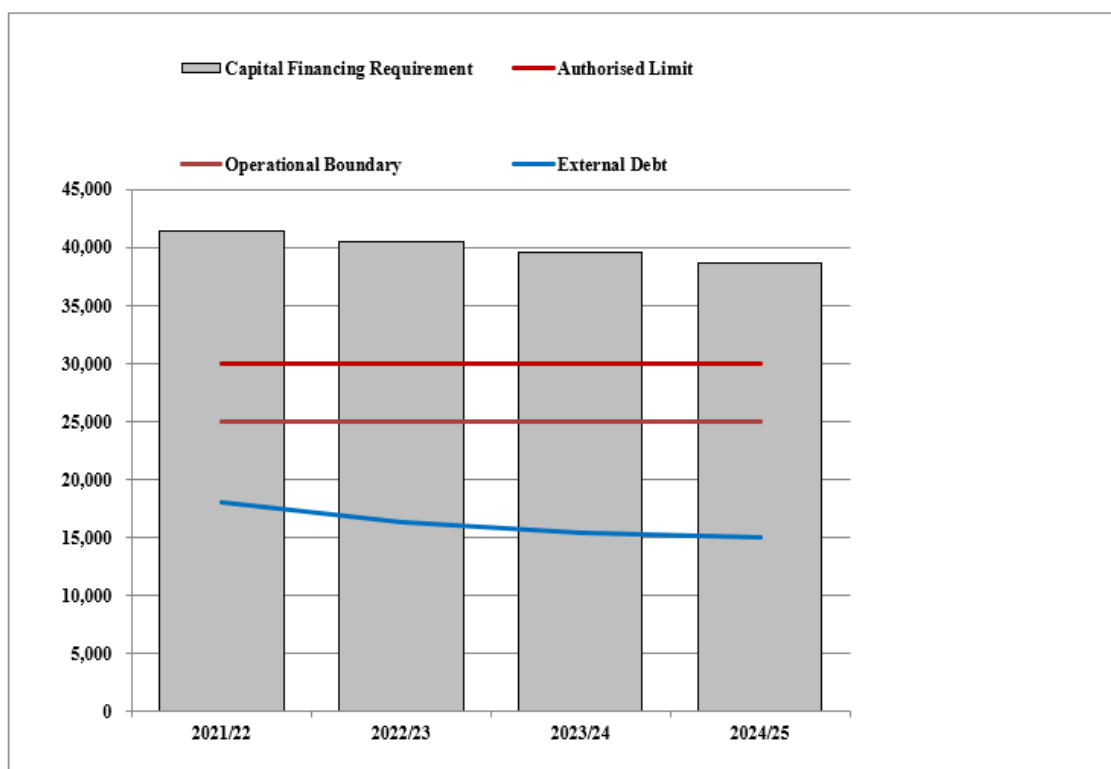
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Appendices

- Appendix 1 – The CFR and Borrowing
- Appendix 2– Investment Portfolio
- Appendix 3 – Approved countries for investments as at 30th September 2022

APPENDIX 1: The CFR and Borrowing

	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Authorised Limit	30,000	30,000	30,000	30,000
Operational Boundary	25,000	25,000	25,000	25,000
Capital Financing Requirement	41,450	40,522	39,593	38,665
External Debt	18,088	16,333	15,441	15,080
Under/(over) borrowing	23,362	24,189	24,152	23,585
Change in External Debt	6,553	-1,755	-892	-361



APPENDIX 2: Investment Portfolio

Investments held as of 30th September 2022 compared to counterparty list:

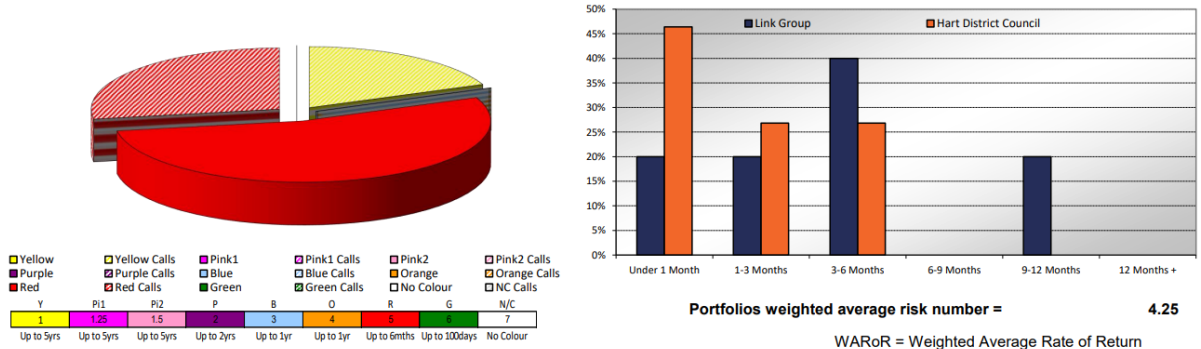
Counterparty	Amount Invested	Counterparty Limit	Terms	Rate %
Barclays - Call account	390,035		Call	0.25%
Barclays - Green Account	5,000,000		95d notice	2.30%
Barclays total	5,390,035	10mil		
Santander	4,908,256	5mil	Call	1.03%
Bank of New York Mellon - Federated	2,000,000	5mil	MMF	2.08%
Aberdeen Liquidity- Standard Life	5,000,000	5mil	MMF	2.13%
Lloyds Bank Corporate Markets	5,000,000	5mil	Fixed	1.60%
Qatar National Bank	5,000,000	5mil	Fixed	2.05%
Standard Chartered sustainable	5,000,000	5mil	Fixed	2.23%
Bayerische Landesbank	5,000,000	5mil	Fixed	2.99%
Total	37,298,292			

Current Investment List

Borrower	Principal (£)	Interest Rate	Start Date	Maturity Date	Lowest LT / Fund Rating	Historic Risk of Default
Barclays Bank Plc (NRFB)	390,035	0.25%		Call	A	0.000%
Santander UK PLC	4,908,257	1.03%		Call	A	0.000%
MMF Aberdeen Standard Investments	5,000,000	1.54%		MMF	AAAm	
MMF Federated Investors (UK)	2,000,000	1.88%		MMF	AAAm	
Lloyds Bank Corporate Markets Plc (NRFB)	5,000,000	1.60%	01/07/2022	14/10/2022	A	0.002%
Qatar National Bank	5,000,000	2.05%	13/07/2022	16/11/2022	A	0.006%
Standard Chartered Bank (ESG)	5,000,000	2.23%	16/08/2022	16/12/2022	A+	0.010%
Barclays Bank Plc (NRFB)	5,000,000	2.30%		Call95	A	0.012%
Bayerische Landesbank	5,000,000	2.99%	16/09/2022	16/01/2023	A-	0.014%
Total Investments	£37,298,292	1.94%				0.007%

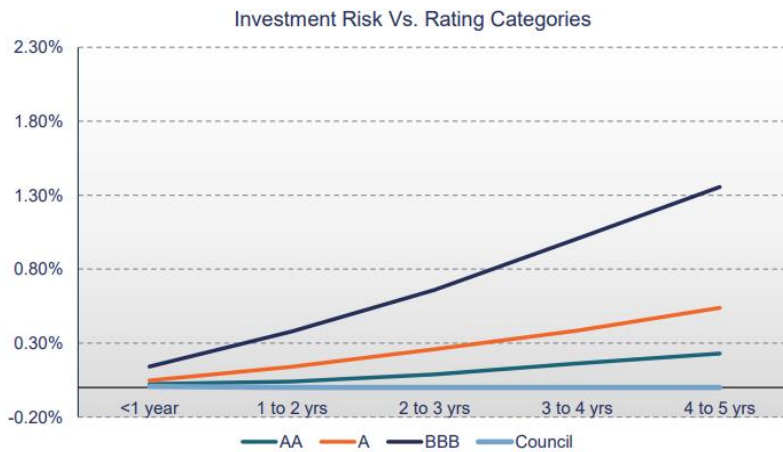
Note: An historic risk of default is only provided if a counterparty has a counterparty credit rating and is not provided for an MMF or USDBF, for which the rating agencies provide a fund rating. The portfolio's historic risk of default therefore measures the historic risk of default attached only to those investments for which a counterparty has a counterparty credit rating and also does not include investments which are not rated.

Portfolio Composition by Link Group's Suggested Lending Criteria

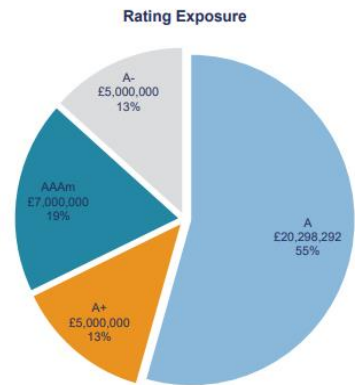


	% of Portfolio	Amount	% of Colour in Calls	Amount of Colour in Calls	% of Call in Portfolio	WARoR	WAM	WAM at Execution	WAM Excluding Calls/MMFs/USDBFs	WAM at Execution Excluding Calls/MMFs/USDBFs
Yellow	18.77%	£7,000,000	100.00%	£7,000,000	18.77%	1.64%	0	0	0	0
Pink1	0.00%	£0	0.00%	£0	0.00%	0.00%	0	0	0	0
Pink2	0.00%	£0	0.00%	£0	0.00%	0.00%	0	0	0	0
Purple	0.00%	£0	0.00%	£0	0.00%	0.00%	0	0	0	0
Blue	0.00%	£0	0.00%	£0	0.00%	0.00%	0	0	0	0
Orange	0.00%	£0	0.00%	£0	0.00%	0.00%	0	0	0	0
Red	81.23%	£30,298,292	33.99%	£10,298,292	27.61%	2.01%	56	94	62	119
Green	0.00%	£0	0.00%	£0	0.00%	0.00%	0	0	0	0
No Colour	0.00%	£0	0.00%	£0	0.00%	0.00%	0	0	0	0
Total	100.00%	£37,298,292	46.38%	£17,298,292	46.38%	1.94%	46	76	62	119

Investment Risk and Rating Exposure



Rating/Years	<1 year	1 to 2 yrs	2 to 3 yrs	3 to 4 yrs	4 to 5 yrs
AA	0.02%	0.04%	0.09%	0.16%	0.23%
A	0.05%	0.14%	0.26%	0.38%	0.54%
BBB	0.14%	0.38%	0.66%	1.01%	1.36%
Council	0.01%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%



Historic Risk of Default

This is a proxy for the average % risk for each investment based on over 30 years of data provided by Fitch, Moody's and S&P. It simply provides a calculation of the possibility of average default against the historical default rates, adjusted for the time period within each year according to the maturity of the investment.

Chart Relative Risk

This is the authority's risk weightings compared to the average % risk of default for "AA", "A" and "BBB" rated investments.

Rating Exposures

This pie chart provides a clear view of your investment exposures to particular ratings.

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APPENDIX 3: Approved countries for investments as at 30th September 2022.

Based on lowest available rating

AAA

- *Australia*
- *Denmark*
- *Germany*
- *Luxembourg*
- *Netherlands*
- *Norway*
- *Singapore*
- *Sweden*
- *Switzerland*

AA+

- *Canada*
- *Finland*
- *U.S.A.*

AA

- *Abu Dhabi (UAE)*
- *France*

AA-

- *Belgium*
- *Hong Kong*
- *Qatar*
- *U.K.*

OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY

DATE OF MEETING: 6 DECEMBER 2022

TITLE OF REPORT: AUTHORITY MONITORING REPORT

Report of: Executive Director - Place

Cabinet Portfolio: Place

Key Decision: No

Confidentiality: Non Exempt

PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. To consider the draft Authority Monitoring Report for 2021/22 prior to its completion and publication.

RECOMMENDATION

2. That the Overview & Scrutiny committee note and comment on the content of the draft Annual Monitoring Report at Appendix 1.

BACKGROUND

3. Planning authorities are required to publish an Authority Monitoring Report - AMR (previously known as an Annual Monitoring Report) each year. This AMR covers the period 1 April 2021 to 31 March 2022, unless otherwise stated.
4. The main purpose is to provide information on key planning matters including:
 - the implementation of policies in the Hart Local Plan (Strategy & Sites) 2032 (HLP32) which was adopted in April 2020;
 - progress on Neighbourhood Plans; and
 - activity under the Duty to Cooperate.
5. The AMR helps provide transparency for the public, developers, and other stakeholders with regards to the Council's key planning-related activities. It also provides an opportunity to convey other relevant activities and achievements under the various themes.

MAIN ISSUES

6. A *draft* AMR is attached at Appendix 1.
7. The bulk of the AMR is completed, albeit with scope for refinement. In particular the piece on planning obligations can only be drafted once the Infrastructure Funding Statement for 2021/22, which is being prepared in parallel, has also been completed.
8. Where further work is intended this has sometimes been flagged within the document and will be resolved before publication.
9. Some key information is *not* set out in detail in the report because it is published separately at a different time in the year. For example, whilst the AMR provides the result of the five year housing land supply position (which is 10.9 years), and includes a full housing trajectory, it does not duplicate the actual [Five Year Housing Land Position Statement](#) which was published in August 2022. Another example is SANG provision and capacity, which is an ever-changing picture and is ideally published more frequently than once a year.

10. The committee is invited to comment on the draft AMR and raise any questions or suggestions. If changes cannot be made in time for this year's AMR, they can be considered for future years.

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED

11. There are no real alternatives since the requirement to publish an AMR is set out in legislation.

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE CONSIDERATIONS

Relevance to the Corporate Plan and/or The Hart Vision 2040

12. The Hart Corporate Plan 2017- 2022 has a range of key actives under four priorities, namely:
 - A thriving local economy;
 - A clean, green and safe environment;
 - Healthy communities and people, and
 - An efficient and effective Council.
13. The Hart Vision 2040 is for Hart to become the best place to live, work and enjoy through:
 - Creating a connected space;
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 - Enhancing our environment and health.
14. The AMR reports how the implementation of the development plan through the development management process, the Council's Corporate Plan and Hart 2040 Vision is being implemented.

Service Plan

- Is the proposal identified in the Service Plan? Yes
- Is the proposal being funded from current budgets? Yes
- Have staffing resources already been identified and set aside for this proposal?
Yes

Legal and Constitutional Issues

15. There are no legal or constitutional implications associated with this report.

Financial and Resource Implications

16. There are no financial or resource implications associated with this report.

Risk Management

17. There are no risk management implications associated with this report.

EQUALITIES

18. There are no equalities implications associated with this report.

CLIMATE CHANGE IMPLICATIONS

19. There are no climate change implications associated with this report.
20. The AMR reports how the implementation of the development plan through the development management process, the Council is helping to implement developments which seek to mitigate and adapt to the effects of Climate Change and seek to support the achievement of the targets in the Council's Climate Emergency declaration.

ACTION

21. Officers will finalise the Authority Monitoring Report (AMR) and publish before the 31 December 2022.

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Appendices

Appendix 1 Draft Hart District Council Authority Monitoring Report 2021/22

Background Papers:



Hart District Council

Authority Monitoring Report 2021/22

Draft for Overview & Scrutiny 6 December 2022

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- 1.6 In April 2021 the Council [declared a climate emergency](#) and pledged to make the district carbon neutral by 2040, and areas under the full control of Hart District Council carbon neutral by 2035.
- 1.7 A consultation on a draft Corporate Plan to cover the 4-year period 2023 to 2027 commenced in November 2022. The draft Corporate Plan focuses on priorities around Planet, People and Place.
- 1.8 The 2021/22 monitoring period was largely one of continued recovery from the social and economic impact of the Covid-19 pandemic. The monitoring period began in April 2021 with the nation gradually moving out of full lockdown through the easing of restrictions and the reopening of hospitality venues, non-essential retail, community facilities and leisure centres. The

remaining Covid-19 legal restrictions were then lifted in July 2021. This allowed closed venues (such as nightclubs) to reopen, the lifting of restrictions on events such as weddings and funerals, and the removal of social distancing rules.

- 1.9 The pandemic has brought about lasting changes to society, with increases to home/remote working, and an acceleration of the transition to online shopping and services. On the one hand, these changes provide opportunities, such as for reducing carbon emissions through fewer car journeys. On the other hand, new challenges may arise regarding the future of town centres and changes to where people want to live and work.
- 1.10 The monitoring period ended with the outbreak of war in Ukraine. As part of a national response, the Council launched the Homes for Ukraine Scheme to provide support for refugees fleeing the conflict. A significant number of Ukrainian families have been welcomed to Hart and sponsored by local residents.

Census 2021

- 1.11 In 2021, surveys were completed across England and Wales as part of the national Census. The [ONS Census 2021 data releases](#) provide a valuable insight into the characteristics of Hart district and the people who call it home.
- 1.12 The population of Hart has grown from 91,000 in 2011 to 99,400 in 2021. This represents an increase of 9.2%, which is slightly above the levels of growth in both the South East (7.5%) and England as a whole (6.6%). Hart is the 247th largest local authority in England, based on population size, out of 309 local authorities ([ONS Census 2021 - Hart](#)).
- 1.13 Hart is the 29th least densely populated local authority area in the South East (out of 64), with 462 people per square kilometre. Or to put it another way, 3 residents for every football pitch-sized area of land. This puts us slightly above the population density of England which stands at 434 people per square kilometre. ([ONS Census 2021 - population change](#)).
- 1.14 The Hart-wide population density figure masks significant variances across the district. The larger settlements of Fleet, Church Crookham, Yateley, Hook and Blackwater have the highest population densities, the densest area being Fleet South and Pondtail at 2,741 people per square kilometre. Outside of these settlements the population densities are considerably below the district-wide figure, falling as low as the 133 people per square kilometre in the Hartley Wintney and Hook middle super output area ([ONS Census 2021 interactive map – population density](#)).
- 1.15 Changes in the age of Hart's residents are outlined below;
 - Hart district has seen significant growth in the number of residents aged 65 years and over. This group has grown by 30.5% since 2011, ahead of both regional (21.7%) and national increases (20.1%). Hart is 1 of 32 English local authorities to see an increase in the number of residents aged 65 and over of greater than 30% since 2011. Despite the increase in overall numbers of residents aged 65 and over, the proportion of residents

in this group (19.7%) is broadly in line with the regional level (19.5%), although slightly above England as a whole (18.4%).

- There was a 5.2% increase in residents aged 15 to 64 years, above the 4.3% increase in the South East and the 3.6% increase across England. The 15 to 64 years group comprises 62.3% of Hart district's population in 2021, compared to 64.6% in 2011.
- A 4.1% increase in the number of children aged under 15 years of age was slightly below the regional (5.3%) and national increases (5.0%). While those aged under 15 were 18.9% of the district's population in 2011, this group now comprises 18.0% of residents.
- The median age in Hart district has risen from 41 years in 2011 to 43 years in 2021. ([ONS Census 2021 – population change](#)).

- 1.16 Since 2011 there has been a slight shift in the size of households within the district. The proportion of 1 person households has grown from 22.4% to 24.6% whilst the proportion of 4 or more person households declined from 24.3% to 22.2%. The proportion of 2 and 3 person households has seen less change; the percentage of 3 person households increasing from 16.7% in 2011 to 17.2% in 2021, and the proportion of 2 person households decreasing from 36.6% to 36% ([ONS Census 2021 – household size](#)).
- 1.17 Hart district remains one of the least deprived local authorities in England with 60.7% of households not deprived in any dimension. However, there are still areas of hidden inequality and deprivation within sections of our communities. 39.3% of households are classified as deprived on one or more of the education, employment, health and housing indicators ([ONS Census 2021 interactive map – household deprivation](#)).
- 1.18 4,017 Hart residents have served in the UK armed forces (includes both regulars and reserves). This constitutes 5% of the Hart population aged 16 and over ([ONS Census 2021 – armed forces veterans](#)).
- 1.19 The insights provided by the 2021 Census provides a very useful insight to assist with the implementation of the Local Plan and help the Parish & Town Councils prepare any emerging Neighbourhood Plans. More information on emerging Neighbourhood Plans is provided later in this AMR.

Levelling Up & Regeneration Bill

- 1.20 The Government has been considering significant changes to the planning system for a few years. In August 2020 the Government launched consultation of major reforms to the planning system in 'Planning for the Future'. The Levelling Up & Regeneration Bill (LURB) has been described as the scaffolding for a new planning system. The Bill was published in May 2022. The Public Bill Committee has now completed its work. The Bill is now due to have its report stage and third reading over two days on Wednesday 23 and Monday 28 November 2022. Further amendments can be made to the Bill at Report Stage.

Provision of new homes

- 2.1 The HLP32 contains policies which aim to deliver the right number of homes, of the right type, in the right place, at the right time. This includes affordable homes and accommodation that meets specific needs, such as specialist accommodation for the elderly and self-build plots.

Delivery of new homes

- 2.2 Policy SS1 of the HLP32 requires 7,614 homes to be built in the 18-year period between 2014 and 2032 – an average of 423 new homes per year.
- 2.3 Table 1 shows the net number of new homes built in Hart district since the start of the plan period and a comparison against the annual requirement.

Table 1: Annual completions of new homes (net)

Year	Annual average number of homes required	Net number of completions	Deficit or surplus
2014/15	423	338	-85
2015/16	423	705	282
2016/17	423	623	200
2017/18	423	551	128
2018/19	423	608	185
2019/20	423	607	184
2020/21	423	581	158
2021/22	423	582	159
Total	3,384	4,595	+1,211

- 2.4 Between 2014 and 2022, there has on average been 574 homes built each year, exceeding the requirement for that period by 1,211 homes.

Housing delivery test

- 2.5 The [Housing Delivery Test](#) compares housing delivery over the previous 3 years against the number of homes required over the same period. A score of over 95% is the benchmark for adequate performance where no remedial actions are deemed necessary.
- 2.6 The [2021 Housing Delivery Test](#) measurement for Hart was 210%. This covered the years 2018/19, 2019/20 and 2020/21. For the 2021 measurement, the Government compared three years of completions against the number required for 2 years and 7 months. This made it slightly easier to pass the test to account for disruption to housing delivery caused by the Covid-19 pandemic.

Five-year housing land supply

- 2.7 The five-year housing land supply considers whether there are sufficient homes coming forward over the next five years to meet the requirements in the Local Plan. The Council publishes a [Five-Year Housing Land Supply Position Statement](#) each year. On 1 April 2022 Hart district has 10.9 years of housing land supply.
- 2.8 It is important to demonstrate at least five years' worth of housing land supply to avoid local plan policies related to housing delivery being deemed out of date (see paragraph 11 of the [National Planning Policy Framework](#)). The strong land supply position means the Council is very well placed in this regard.
- 2.9 A housing trajectory for the plan period is included at [Appendix 2](#) of this report. A surplus of approximately 241 homes is predicted by the end of the plan period. The details behind that trajectory are set out in the [Five-Year Housing Land Supply Position Statement](#) and therefore not duplicated within this document.

Brownfield / Previously Developed land

- 2.10 The terms Brownfield Land and Previously Developed Land are relatively interchangeable. It refers to land which is or was occupied by a permanent structure, including the curtilage of the developed land (although it should not be assumed that the whole of the curtilage should be developed) and any associated fixed surface infrastructure.
- 2.11 National and Local policy seeks to encourage the effective and efficient reuse of brownfield land. A [Brownfield Land Register and accompanying report](#) were published in February 2022.
- 2.12 A key brownfield site, allocated under Policy SS2 of the HLP32, is Hartland Village. Updates on the delivery of Hartland Village are set out at [Appendix 1](#).
- 2.13 Table 2 shows the numbers of homes built on previously developed land since the start of the plan period.

Table 2: Completions on previously developed land 2014-22

Year	Homes completions (net)	Completions on previously developed land	% of completions on previously developed land
2014-15	338	228	67%
2015-16	705	507	72%
2016-17	623	295	47%
2017-18	551	346	63%
2018-19	608	348	57%
2019-20	607	238	39%
2020-21	581	392	67%
2021-22	582	233	40%
Total	4,595	2,587	57%

Affordable Homes

Completions of new Affordable Homes

- 2.14 During the monitoring year the Council's Housing Team commissioned a new IT system, and as part of this process the whole Housing Waiting List was reviewed.
- 2.15 A central plank of the UK planning system is the provision of mixed and balanced communities, which is also fully reflected in the HLP32. The provision of affordable homes supports the creation of integrated, mixed and balanced communities.
- 2.16 Policy H2 requires 40% of homes on major sites (10 or more homes, or greater in area than 0.5 hectares) to be affordable. In addition, Policy H3 supports rural exception sites, where new affordable homes outside of settlement boundaries to meet local needs can be justified.
- 2.17 Table 3 sets out affordable housing delivery since the start of the plan period.

Table 3: Affordable homes completed (net)

Year	Total homes completed (net)	Affordable homes completed (net)
2014-15	338	70
2015-16	705	155
2016-17	623	131
2017-18	551	152
2018-19	608	118
2019-20	607	224
2020-21	581	106
2021-22	582	201
Total	4,595	1,157

New Permissions with Affordable Home Provision

- 2.18 During 2021/22 there were 5 applications in which affordable homes were secured under Policy H2:
- **Hartland Village (21/02871/REM)** – in March 2022, the Planning Major Sites Sub-Committee resolved to grant a reserved matters application for Phase 3 of the development. 40 affordable rented homes and 27 shared ownership homes will be provided during this phase which comprises 331 homes in total including market homes.
 - **Land at Crownfields, Odiham (21/00777/OUT)** – in August 2021 Hart's Planning Committee resolved to grant this application subject to a legal agreement (signed in September 2022). The site will provide a total of 30 homes, including 8 affordable rented homes and 4 affordable ownership homes.

- **Burford, West Street, Odiham (19/02541/FUL)** – planning permission was granted in June 2021. The site will provide 16 homes, including 4 affordable rented homes, 2 shared ownership homes, plus a financial contribution of £25,302 towards the provision of off-site affordable homes.
- **Former Police Station, Fleet (19/02659/FUL)** – this planning permission for 31 retirement apartments was allowed on appeal in May 2021. It does not include any on-site affordable homes but includes a financial contribution of £500,000 towards the provision of off-site affordable homes.
- **Land north of Netherhouse Copse (21/02782/OUT)** – this outline application for phases 3-5, which was received in October 2021, will deliver 120 affordable homes in total. This is comprised of 97 affordable rented homes and 23 shared ownership. This is an additional 42 affordable homes compared to the 2016 outline permission. Hart's planning committee resolved to grant the application subject to legal agreement on 15 June 2022.

Rural Exception Sites

- 2.19 National Policy and Policy H3 of the HLP32 support the delivery of affordable homes in rural areas through rural exception sites. These sites are small scale and seek to address the needs of the local community by accommodating households who are either current residents or have an existing family or employment connection.
- 2.20 During the monitoring period construction began at the rural exception site at Roughts Cottage, North Warnborough (19/01749/FUL) which is fully affordable and will provide 9 affordable rented homes and 3 shared ownership homes.
- 2.21 Whilst no new planning permissions were granted for rural exception sites during the monitoring year, work has been taking place to bring forward several sites across the district.
- A pre application advice was sought for a rural exception site at Hares Lane, Hartley Wintney (22/00201/PREAPP).
 - [Winchfield Parish Council](#) have undertaken a housing needs survey and have been working with English Rural Housing Association to identify suitable sites. The need for a rural exception site for the parish is highlighted in the Winchfield Neighbourhood Plan which is being consulted upon in November 2022.
 - [Eversley Parish Council](#) have recently held a public consultation with Parish residents over 3 potential sites.

First Homes

- 2.22 First Homes are a discounted affordable ownership product available to eligible buyers at a price discounted against the market value of the home.

- 2.23 In May 2021, the Government published a [Written Ministerial Statement](#) setting out their plans for the delivery of First Homes, with the changes coming into effect from 28 June 2021.
- 2.24 In December 2021, the Council published a [First Homes: Interim Planning Policy Statement](#) outlining key information about First Homes and how it would relate to the implementation of Policy H2 Affordable Housing in the HLP32.
- 2.25 Over the monitoring period no applications proposing First Homes were received. However, a planning application for 65 homes at land west of Brown Croft, Hook (22/01506/FUL) was received in July 2022 and proposed 7 First Homes. The application was refused on 7 November 2022 due to material conflicts with the development plan.

Dwelling Mix

- 2.26 Policy H1 requires an appropriate mix of dwelling types and sizes having regard to the most up to date evidence on housing needs, and the size, location and characteristics of the site and surroundings.
- 2.27 The [Strategic Housing Market Assessment \(SHMA\) 2016](#) identified the following mix of market homes needed across the study area comprising Hart, Rushmoor and Surrey Heath districts:

7% 1-bed; 28% 2-bed; 44% 3-bed; 21% 4-bed

- 2.28 Table 4 sets out the mix of market homes delivered in Hart district since 2014. This table refers to market homes (including C3 elderly) only. The SHMA had separate mixes for affordable homes. There is more up to date evidence of the need for different types and sizes of affordable homes from a range of sources including the housing register, housing needs surveys, and the help to buy register.

Table 4: Market homes dwelling mix (including C3 accommodation for the elderly)

Home size	SHMA target	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	Total
1 bed	7%	18%	24%	11%	21%	27%	7%	29%	15%	19.5%
2 bed	28%	17%	33%	23%	27%	37%	23%	30%	31%	28.5%
3 bed	44%	30%	21%	37%	25%	18%	44%	23%	25%	27.3%
4 bed	21%	25%	18%	25%	19%	15%	18%	14%	24%	19.2%
5+ bed	No target	10%	3%	4%	8%	4%	8%	4%	5%	5.5%

- 2.29 The data suggests that more 1-bed homes and fewer 3-bed homes have been completed than might be expected. This is most likely due to permitted development rights for office to residential conversions, and the inclusion of

C3 specialist accommodation for the elderly (e.g., extra care schemes) in these figures. These types of development tend to produce smaller homes for smaller households.

- 2.30 Comparing the sizes of homes delivered against the SHMA mix is helpful to a degree, but the SHMA mix is indicative for the 3 districts of Hart, Rushmoor and Surrey Heath area, and site-specific factors will often influence the most appropriate mix on any given site.

Specialist and Supported Homes

- 2.31 Prior to 2020/21, the delivery of older persons specialist accommodation was compared against the assessment of need published in the 2016 Strategic Housing Market Assessment (SHMA). In 2021 the Council commissioned new work to provide more up to date advice on the need for specialist accommodation for older people. For full details please see the full [Housing LIN Report](#).
- 2.32 The new study identified a decrease in need for C2 residential care and nursing care accommodation, and Housing for Older People (C3 sheltered and enhanced sheltered housing) compared to the SHMA targets. It also found that an increase of provision of C3 extra care housing was needed to meet the projected growth in demand by 2035.
- 2.33 Table 5 shows the revised levels of need using the 2021 update by Housing LIN (columns B, C and D). It also factors in new supply since the base date of March 2020, updated to 9 November 2022 (Column E). For details of the new supply see [Appendix 3](#).

Table 5: Older persons' housing need up to 2035

Column A: Accommodation type	Column B: Net need 2020 to 2025	Column C: Net need 2020 to 2030	Column D: Net need 2020 to 2035	Column E: New Supply March 2020 to 9 November 2022	Column F: Updated net need to 2025	Column G: Updated net need to 2030	Column H: Updated net need to 2035
Housing for Older People (also commonly referred to as sheltered or enhanced sheltered units)	128	286	431	87	41	199	344
Housing with Care / Extra Care (units)	100	155	217	72	28	83	145
Residential / Nursing care (bedspaces)	149	215	290	240	-91	-25	50

- 2.34 It can be seen that good progress has been made in addressing the needs, particularly for residential/nursing care bedspaces where needs have been met to 2030. This is important because the more needs are addressed through sites within settlements and redevelopment of previously developed land, the less need there is to release greenfield sites under Policy H4 Specialist and Supported Accommodation.
- 2.35 Regarding Table 5, it should be noted that the categories of residential care and nursing care have been combined as it is not always possible to distinguish between the two when assessing a planning application before the site is operational. For more information, please refer to the [Older Persons Specialist Accommodation Position Statement](#).
- 2.36 During the monitoring period permissions were granted for 146 C2 bedspaces, 31 C3 sheltered apartments and 4 C3 extra care dwellings. This new provision for older persons will be delivered at;
- The Bell Inn, Blackwater (21/00378/FUL) which will provide a 21-bed C2 dementia care home.
 - Grey House, Hartley Wintney (21/00630/FUL) where a 65 bed C2 care home and 4 x 2-bed C3 extra care dwellings will be delivered.
 - Crownfields, Odiham (21/00777/OUT) will provide a 60 bed C2 care home.
 - Former Police Station, Crookham Road, Fleet (19/02659/FUL) was allowed on appeal in May 2021 and will provide 31 C3 sheltered apartments.
- 2.37 There were no changes to numbers of C2 bedspaces or C3 older persons' accommodation in the monitoring period. However, construction is underway at:
- Old Raven House, Hook (19/02739/FUL) which will provide an additional 13 C2 residential/nursing care bedspaces at the facility.
 - The Former Police Station, Fleet (19/02659/FUL) where 31 C3 retirement apartments will be delivered.
 - Rawlings Building, Hook (18/00110/FUL), which will provide 68 C3 extra care apartments, 37 C3 retirement living apartments and 19 C3 residential units.

Accommodation for Travellers

- 2.38 Policy H5 of the HLP32 sets criteria against which planning applications will be judged. It does not contain any figures on the need for plots or pitches.
- 2.39 An updated Gypsy and Traveller Accommodation Assessment (GTAA) was published in March 2020. A call for sites was held between August–December 2019 although it did not generate any suitable site options.
- 2.40 Rather than prepare a separate Traveller Sites DPD it is now considered more effective to plan for traveller accommodation needs as part of the next local plan.

- 2.41 During the monitoring period, an application for 2 pitches was granted at Farnham Lodge, Odiham (20/00580/FUL). The Council's decision to grant this permission was challenged and subject to a judicial review (CO/1755/2021). The judge upheld the Council's interpretation of [Policy H5\(a\) of the HLP32](#) (in short, that the applicant did not need to demonstrate a need for the site since the Council had already done so through the new GTAA), and the judicial review was dismissed.

Self and Custom Build

- 2.42 Self-build refers to an individual or association of individuals seeking to organise the design and construction of their own homes. Custom-building can refer to an individual working alongside a developer to construct their own homes.
- 2.43 The Self-build and Custom Housebuilding Act 2015 requires local planning authorities to keep a register of individuals and associations of individuals who wish to acquire serviced plots of land to bring forward self-build and custom housebuilding projects.
- 2.44 The Register is divided into two parts:
- Part 1 – comprises local demand for plots. Applicants must meet all eligibility criteria including a local connection test.
 - Part 2 – comprises all other demand. Applicants must meet all eligibility criteria except for the local connection test.
- 2.45 At 31 October 2022, there were 13 individuals and 3 associations recorded on Part 1 of the Register, and 0 individuals or associations recorded on Part 2.
- 2.46 Further information on the Register, including fees to join the register, is published on the Council's [Self Build & Custom Build Webpages](#).
- 2.47 Planning authorities must give suitable development permission to enough suitable serviced plots of land to meet the demand for self-build and custom housebuilding in their area. The level of demand is established by reference to the number of entries added to an authority's register during a base period.
- 2.48 The first base period began on the day on which the register (which meets the requirement of the 2015 Act) was established and ends on 30 October 2016. Each subsequent base period is the period of 12 months beginning immediately after the end of the previous base period. Subsequent base periods will therefore run from 31 October to 30 October each year.
- 2.49 At the end of each base period, relevant authorities have 3 years in which to permission an equivalent number of plots of land, which are suitable for self-build and custom housebuilding, as there are entries for that base period.
- 2.50 Table 6 shows the number of entries added to Part 1 of Hart's Register during each base period. It also shows the number of self/custom builds known to have been permitted during each base period.

Table 6: Self build: newly arising need for plots and numbers of self-build permissions granted

	Base Period 1: 2015/16	Base Period 2: 2016/17	Base Period 3: 2017/18	Base Period 4: 2018/19	Base Period 5: 2019/20	Base Period 6: 2020/21	Base Period 7: 2021/22
Individuals on Part 1 of the Register	2	2	1	4	6	5	6
Associations on Part 1 of the Register (number of plots)	0	0	0	0	0	2	1
Total number of plots	2	2	1	4	6	7	7
Permissions granted for self-build plots	0	0	0	0	9	5	3
Cumulative total				-2	+5	+9	+8

- 2.51 This table tells us that whilst the demand for 2 plots arising in 2015/2016 was not met within 3 years, in subsequent years demand has been more than matched by permissions for self-build homes.
- 2.52 Policy H1(d) of the HLP32 requires that “on sites of 20 or more dwellings, 5% of plots are for self and custom build homes, subject to site suitability and the need shown on the self and custom build register”.
- 2.53 In August 2021, Hart’s Planning Committee resolved to grant this application subject to a legal agreement (signed in September 2022) at Crownfields, Odiham (21/00777/OUT), a site allocated in the Odiham and North Warnborough Neighbourhood Plan. The 30 home site will provide 1 self or custom housebuilding plot and is the first plot delivered by Policy H1(d).
- 2.54 A further 2 plots were granted permission for self and custom housebuilding proposals, bringing the total number of permissions during the 2021/22 base period (31 October 2021 to 30 October 2022) to 3.

Economic development

- 3.1 The HLP32 contains policies to promote the vitality and viability of town and village centres, and to ensure an adequate supply of economic development land to promote economic growth. During the monitoring period, there was also work taking place around employment and skills to help local people into local jobs, particularly in light of the Covid-19 pandemic.
- 3.2 The Economy development section has been compiled using monitoring data provided by Hampshire County Council, unless stated otherwise.

Town and Village Centres

- 3.3 Policy SS1 of the HLP32 supports the provision of 5,900m² of net additional convenience retail floorspace and 3,960m² of net additional comparison floorspace over the plan period, the majority to be focused in Fleet.
- 3.4 During 2021/22, 3,968m² of retail floorspace was completed at the Former Vertu Site, Beacon Hill Road, Church Crookham. This brings the total additional net E(a) class retail floorspace delivered in Hart since 2014 to 9,136m².
- 3.5 In terms of future supply, at 31 March 2022, there were schemes with planning permission for a further 6,806m² of floorspace. These include a new supermarket at north side of London Road, Hook (13/01145/MAJOR), a convenience store at Redfields Lane, Church Crookham (14/00504/MAJOR) and the centre of Hartland Village (17/00471/OUT). In August 2022, an application was received for the construction of a new 2,061m² E(a) retail store and a 208m² E(a-b) drive-through retail store on Elvetham Heath Way, Fleet (22/01876/FUL).
- 3.6 The [Odiham Village Centre Action Plan](#) was adopted on 15 March 2022. The Plan aims to provide a clear direction on the future of Odiham High Street through the protection of characteristics valued by local people, enhancement of existing provision and the encouragement of future growth.

Hotels

- 3.7 At 31 March 2022, two new hotels were under construction; a 16-bedroom property at Wintney Court, Hartley Wintney (17/00596/FUL), and a 71-bedroom hotel located at 329 Fleet Road (18/00574/FUL) in Fleet's town centre. In addition, a further two properties benefit from extant permissions but have not yet commenced: a 28-bed extension at M3 Fleet Services (17/02549/FUL) and an 85-bedroom hotel at Providence House, Hook (18/01181/FUL).
- 3.8 On 20 July 2022, an application to alter and extend the Elvetham Hotel, Hartley Wintney (21/02743/FUL) to provide an additional 60 bedrooms was granted by Hart's Planning Committee. The scheme will also provide new events and spa floorspace.

Economic development land and premises

- 3.9 Policy ED2 seeks to protect the district's portfolio of economic development land and premises to help retain existing and attract new business. 'Strategic' and 'locally important' economic sites are specifically identified for protection under this policy. Policy ED3 promotes the rural economy and allows development in the countryside subject to certain criteria.
- 3.10 In September 2020, the Use Class Order was amended. Uses that had previously fallen under Class B1 which included offices, research and development facilities, and light industry which is appropriate within a residential area now belong to Use Class E(g). B2 industrial uses and B8 storage and distribution uses remain unchanged.
- 3.11 On 31 July 2022 an Article 4 Direction which applied to the strategic and locally important economic development sites in Policy ED2 expired. The Article 4 Direction had removed permitted development rights for office to residential conversion since 6 May 2019. It expired by virtue of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (England) (Amendment) Order 2021. The Government sought to restrict the use of Article 4 Directions in its July 2021 update to the National Planning Policy Framework (paragraph 53).
- 3.12 Table 7 shows the changes to economic development floorspace since 2015.

Table 7: Changes to economic development floorspace – net change (m²) 2015-2022

Floorspace type	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	Total
Offices – Use class E(g)(i)	700	-13,092	-2,316	-31,392	-4,694	-813	-21,298	-72,905
Research and development – Use class E(g)(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	-6,033	0	-6,033
Light industry – Use class E(g)(iii)	0	0	281	113	0	0	0	394
General industry – Use class B2	0	-100	0	0	0	0	0	-100
Storage and distribution – Use class B8	0	1,080	17,967	9,070	-6,459	0	493	22,151

- 3.13 The loss of office floorspace since 2015 is in part due to the rise of office to residential conversions through permitted development rights. Over the same period, B8 storage and distribution floorspace has increased by 22,151m².
- 3.14 During the period, 20,633m² of office floorspace was lost at strategic and locally important economic sites. However, on both sites offices have been demolished to create new opportunities for other economic uses:
- 8,129m² of office floorspace was lost in the redevelopment of Guidion House, Fleet (19/02871/FUL) to provide 7,292m² of flexible E(g)(ii) Research and Development, E(g)(iii) Light Industry, B2 General Industry and B8 Storage and Distribution floorspace.
 - A further 12,504m² of office floorspace was lost at Cody Technology Park, Farnborough (19/00352/FUL) to allow for the construction of new data centres measuring 19,461m², which fall within the B8 Storage and Distribution use class.
- 3.15 There was one loss of office space (369m²) to residential through a prior approval at 2 Victoria Road, Fleet (20/01341/PRIOR). A further 296m² of office floorspace was lost to residential via a full planning application at Imac Systems, Upper Street, Fleet (20/00913/FUL). Neither of these developments are located within strategic and locally important economic sites.
- 3.16 A preapp for a large logistics centre at Lodge Farm, North Warnborough (22/01355/PREAPP) was received after the end of the monitoring period in June 2022. An illustrative masterplan shows that proposed site would include approximately 105,000m² of B2/B8 floorspace across 5 warehouses and an electric car charging facility with capacity for 200 vehicles.
- 3.17 A full summary of outstanding economic development use planning permissions can be found at [Appendix 6](#).

Employment and skills

- 3.18 The following information is sourced from [Nomis](#). Figures published by Nomis are rounded to the nearest thousand.
- From 2009 the number of jobs in Hart district (employees, self-employed, government supported trainees and HM Forces) rose steadily from 41,000 to a peak of 53,000 in 2015 before gradually returning to 41,000 in 2020 as indicated by the most recent dataset.
 - Of the total jobs in the district in 2021, 33,000 are employee jobs (21,000 full-time, 12,000 part-time). By comparison, there were 34,000 employee jobs in 2020 and 38,000 employee jobs in 2015. These figures exclude farm-based agriculture.
 - [Appendix 7](#) shows the change in employee jobs between 2015 and 2021 by sector. Over this period of economic challenges there has been a change in the complexion of the district's industries.

- Accommodation and Food Service Activities remains the district's largest employment industry comprising 15.2% of all jobs. This is significantly above both regional (7.3%) and national (7.5%) levels.
- Wholesale and Retail Trade; Repair of Motor Vehicles and Motorcycles (13.6%) and Professional, Scientific and Technical Activities (10.6%) remain key industries in the district, as the second and third largest employers respectively.
- The district has seen strong growth in the number of employee jobs in Construction (12.5%) and Water Supply; Sewerage, Waste Management and Remediation Activities (310%) since 2015.
- Meanwhile, there has been a continued decline in the Information and Communication sector with employee jobs falling by 40% since 2015.
- The district has seen low unemployment rates for many years, falling from 3% of the economically active population in June 2014 to 1.7% in December 2019. During the pandemic unemployment rose to a high of 4.3% in June 2021 before falling to 2.8% in March 2022. This is lower than employment rates in the South East (3.5%) and Great Britain as a whole (4.1%).

3.19 Claimant data from April 2022 (ONS Monthly Claimant Count – supplied by Hampshire County Council) provides greater insight into unemployment across the district's electoral wards both pre and post pandemic – see Table 8. Unemployment rates rose between April 2020 and April 2021 but have since fallen again and now are lower than they were in April 2020 (the exception being Hartley Wintney where rates now equal April 2020 levels).

Table 8: Claimant data at April 2022 by Ward

Ward	Unemployment rate April 2020	Unemployment rate April 2021	Unemployment rate April 2022
Blackwater & Hawley	2.4%	4.2%	2.2%
Crookham East	1.7%	2.7%	1.5%
Crookham West & Ewshot	1.8%	2.7%	1.2%
Fleet Central	2.5%	4.1%	2.2%
Fleet East	1.6%	2.6%	1.2%
Fleet West	1.8%	2.4%	1.1%
Hartley Wintney	2.1%	3.5%	2.1%
Hook	2.3%	2.7%	2%
Odiham	1.6%	2.7%	1.4%
Yateley East	2%	3.8%	1.6%
Yateley West	1.9%	3.2%	1.3%

3.20 The Council is working to promote economic growth in the district and to help local people into local jobs, particularly following the impact of the pandemic. Achievements include:

- Regular communication and promotion of support for businesses
- Distribution of grants to businesses during the Omicron variant period
- Reopening of the in-person job club to support residents back into work
- The opening of the Community Training Hub at the Hartland Village site, allowing regular onsite education sessions with local schools and Colleges
- The launch of the North Hampshire Employment Skills Zone for 18 to 24year-olds in partnership with Rushmoor and Basingstoke & Deane Councils. The 18 to 24 age group was severely affected by the pandemic and has the highest rate of unemployment across the district. The scheme provides a dedicated website and in-person employment and careers activities, advice and guidance to support young people with their current and future career aspirations.

Infrastructure

- 4.1 Local Plan infrastructure policies in the HLP32 help to secure necessary infrastructure with new development, either on-site or off-site through financial contributions secured by planning obligations. It also contains policies which safeguard land for infrastructure improvements and protect open space, green infrastructure and community facilities.

Planning obligations

- 4.2 The Hart District Infrastructure Funding Statement (IFS) for 2021/22 provides information on developer contributions through planning obligations. In summary during 2021/22:

[Section on planning obligations to be completed – will include headlines from the Infrastructure Funding Statement for 2021/22 which is currently being drafted and which will be published at [Developer Contributions and CIL page of the Hart website](#).

- 4.3 Hampshire County Council are also required to publish an Infrastructure Funding Statement annually by 31 December, which covers all financial contributions they have received. The majority of these relate to the County Council's role as the Local Highway Authority, and the Local Education Authority. The report contains details about the contribution amounts secured, received, allocated and spent in the preceding financial year. At the time of publishing this report the latest version is their 2020/21 IFS.
- 4.4 The HLP32 also contains policies which safeguard land for infrastructure improvements:
- Land at Phoenix Green is safeguarded for the implementation of a flood alleviation scheme (Policy INF7) – Following delays due to resourcing and the pandemic, progress on this flood alleviation scheme is now being made. The scheme will work with individual homeowners to protect houses at risk of flooding through the implementation of flood doors, non-return valves and air brick covers. The aim is to employ a project manager who will assist in the delivery of this scheme and the flood alleviation scheme at Kingsway, Blackwater, where similar measures will protect vulnerable properties from flooding.
- 4.5 The Council's Flood Risk Management Officer has also highlighted these ongoing projects:
- The Environment Agency have recently granted funding for 2 flood alleviation schemes at Zebon Copse, Church Crookham and Eversley & Lower Common. These projects are in addition to 4 other Environment Agency funded schemes at Crondall, Yateley, at Mill Corner, North Warnborough and Griffin Stream, Hook. An initial assessment of the 6 schemes is currently being undertaken by an external consultant appointed by the Environment Agency.
 - A Multi-Agency Flood Forum was held in October 2022 with a focus on strategic flood issues that require a multi-agency response. The bi-annual event brings together district Councillors and the relevant external

organisations for updates on local projects and to provide an opportunity for outstanding flood issues to be raised. The next Forum will be held in March 2023.

- During the monitoring period Hart's Flood Risk Management Officer has consulted on 325 planning applications, ranging from small household extensions to multi-home developments. Consultations through the planning system allow Hart to manage potential increases in flood risk caused by new development and ensure that existing residents and property are not harmed. Over the monitoring period there have been several applications refused with flood risk being cited as one of the reasons including Church Farm Business Centre, Eversley (21/00849/FUL); The Old Dairy, Long Sutton (21/02121/FUL); and 57 Avondale Road, Fleet (21/01778/HOU).

- 4.6 Land at Calthorpe Park Secondary School in Fleet was safeguarded to facilitate school expansion (Policy INF8) – 1.5ha of land remains protected for the expansion of the school, as was reconfirmed in a new outline permission for the site (21/02782/OUT), granted by committee in June 2022.
- 4.7 Land at Robert Mays Secondary School was safeguarded for school expansion (Policy INF8) – the school has not yet expanded into this area and the land remains safeguarded for future growth.

Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL)

- 4.8 In September 2020, Cabinet decided to proceed with preparation of a Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL).
- 4.9 A consultation on a preliminary draft charging schedule took place for six weeks from 5 November 2021 to 17 December 2021. 30 responses were received from a range of organisations and individuals.
- 4.10 The Council is currently considering the comments received and the next steps, particularly in light of the Levelling Up and Regeneration Bill which includes a proposal to move from Community Infrastructure Levy to a new style 'Infrastructure Levy'; which would replace CIL. Work on a CIL Charging Schedule for Hart district is currently on hold pending the publication of a Levelling Up and Regeneration Act in the future.

Hart's Green Grid

- 4.11 Hart District Council's Vision to 2040 includes the ambition to create green corridors between all settlements to encourage sustainable healthy transport and provide cycles for hire to enable movement. These links and green spaces collectively will become Hart's Green Grid.
- 4.12 The Green Grid will encourage walking and cycling as well as creating wider opportunities for active travel, recreation and leisure, with potential benefits to health, air quality and the reduction of carbon emissions due modal shift and fewer vehicle trips.

- 4.13 A major section of the pilot of Green Grid, the Fleet Pond Corridor, was completed in July 2022. The scheme provides greater connectivity for walking and cycling between Hartland Village and Fleet Station via Fleet Pond facilitating a modal shift that will aid the Council in meeting its climate change objectives.
- 4.14 As referred to earlier, in March 2022, the Planning Major Sites Sub-Committee resolved to grant a reserved matters application for Phase 3 of the development at Hartland Village. The scheme has been designed to promote a modal shift away from the private vehicle, coupled with active promotion of walking and cycling, provision of a green travel hub (including bike repairs).
- 4.15 In September 2022, Hart District Council and Hampshire County Council (HCC) jointly instructed Sustrans to draft a Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plan (LCWIP). The plan will identify walking and cycling opportunities for Hart district with recommendations made for infrastructure improvements and priorities for future investment. The LCWIP will inform the strategy for Hart's Green Grid.

Built and Natural Environment

Climate Change

- 5.1 In April 2021, the Council declared a climate change emergency. As part of the declaration, the Council pledged to make the district carbon neutral by 2040, and all areas under the direct control of Hart District Council carbon neutral by 2035. The declaration of a climate emergency is a material consideration in the determination planning applications.
- 5.2 The HLP32 contains a number of policies which deal with adaption to and mitigation from the effects of climate change. Examples include NBE5 Flood Risk, NBE7 Water Efficiency, NBE9 Design, NBE10 Renewable and Low Carbon Energy, INF2 Green Infrastructure, INF3 Transport.
- 5.3 During the monitoring period, two applications for new solar farms were granted planning permission. Chosley Farm, North Warnborough (20/03185/FUL) and Bunkers Hill Farm, Rotherwick (21/00552/FUL). Together, these sources of renewable energy will be capable of powering around 30,000 homes: around two thirds of the homes within the district.
- 5.4 An application was received in October 2021 for the construction of a temporary 17.87 MW solar farm at Land lying to the north of Vicarage Lane, Hound Green, Hook (21/02749/FUL). The proposal, which will generate enough energy to power approximately 6,700 homes, was granted permission subject to planning conditions by Hart's Planning Committee on 20 July 2022.
- 5.5 A battery energy storage facility which will support energy generated by renewables was granted on appeal in September 2021 at Land at Rye Common Lane, Crondall (20/01180/FUL).
- 5.6 In June 2022, updated building regulations came into effect which will update the standards required in new buildings. This includes:
 - Part G: Water Efficiency – water usage calculator for household fittings;
 - Part F: Ventilation – this has been updated as many buildings were becoming too hot;
 - Part L: Conservation of Energy – improved thermal performance, move away from gas boilers and new approach to calculating energy efficiency;
 - Part O: Overheating – a new part created where the orientation o building can impact on internal heat gains; and
 - Part S: Electric Charging Points – a new part which requires all new homes to have an electric charging point (but with some exceptions relating to cost).
- 5.7 Under the new standards, new homes will need to produce at least 30% less carbon emissions compared to previous standards. Meanwhile, new non-residential buildings will need to reduce their emissions by 27%. This will be achieved by;

- using more efficient electric central heating systems;
 - the use of renewable energy sources such as photovoltaic solar panels and ground source heat pumps;
 - using building materials with higher thermal performance ratings; and
 - the installation of electric car charging points at new homes and buildings.
- 5.8 In August 2022 the Council published a new Technical Advice Note on Cycle and Carp Parking in new developments. The aim is to encourage cycle use over the car by ensuring adequate, secure and well-designed cycle storage with new development. It seeks to avoid the various problems created by both over-and under-provision of car parking and encourage the use of cycles over cars for a greater number of trips.
- 5.9 Through the development management process the Council has managed to secure some real progress in terms of the sustainability of new developments that will significantly reduce the carbon emissions from new homes. Case studies from some of Hart's larger housing developments are discussed below.

Phase 3 of Hartland Village (21/02871/REM)

- This phase will provide a 43% reduction in carbon dioxide emissions in homes compared to the building regulation standards at the time permission was granted. This will be achieved through the installation of efficient air source heat pumps in all properties, and a fabric-first approach to ensure homes have a high degree of thermal insulation and air tightness.
- A Green Travel Hub will be located in the heart of the village centre where residents will be able to access local bus services, car club vehicles, a bicycle repair shop and cycle hire. These services will facilitate the modal shift away from private car ownership and are supported by a network of off-carriageway pedestrian and cycle paths and the new Fleet Pond Corridor connection to Fleet Station. The Green Travel Hub will also provide electric vehicle charging points to support the use of cleaner private vehicles.
- All buildings within this phase, with the exception of apartments, will feature swift boxes to provide nesting sites for this at-risk species.

An outline application at Land north of Netherhouse Copse, Fleet (21/02782/OUT)

- The homes under this outline application will exceed the minimum fabric requirements of the building regulations in place at the time the application was submitted. This will be achieved through the implementation of thermally efficient materials, air tightness in line with building regulations and features to improve natural ventilation.
- Homes will include 100% low energy lighting, domestic appliances with a minimum A to A++ energy efficiency rating, the installation of air source heat pumps in all homes, and photovoltaic panels on some properties.

- Passive design measures will also be utilised to incorporate solar gain and shading to prevent overheating in summer.
- An off-site cycleway link will be provided to the north east to connect with Fleet town centre, in line with the Council's aims for securing a 'green grid' of cycling and walking routes for connectivity across the district.

Historic Environment

- 5.10 Historic England holds a National Heritage List for England. Hampshire County Council maintain the Historic Environment Records (HER) on behalf of the District Council.
- 5.11 At November 2022 Hart district had 947 listed heritage assets, an increase of 31 since the start of the plan period. This is comprised of:
- 10 scheduled monuments (which are ungraded);
 - 8 listed parks and gardens; and
 - 929 listed buildings comprising 13 Grade I, 42 Grade II* and 874 Grade II.
- 5.12 There were 3 listed assets on the Heritage at Risk Register:
- Warbrook House, Eversley;
 - Bramshill Park, Bramshill/Eversley/Mattingley; and
 - Garden walls and gateways north of Bramshill House, Bramshill.
- 5.13 This list of at-risk heritage assets is unchanged from the previous year.
- 5.14 There are 28 conservations areas within Hart district, which is unchanged from the previous year.
- 5.15 An updated [Odiham and North Warnborough Conservation Area Appraisal](#) was adopted by Cabinet on 3 November 2022. Work on other Conservation Areas, led by Parish or Town Councils, is ongoing.
- 5.16 A number of other Parish & Town Councils are working on updates to their Conservation Area Appraisals, including Crondall, Crookham Village and Hartley Wintney.

The Natural Environment

5.17 Table 9 provides information on the amount of land in Hart district designated as protected habitats. In 2021/22 there were no changes to the protected habitats in Hart district.

Table 9: Habitat designations in Hart (HBIC)

Designation	Number of sites	Area (ha)	area (%)	Change since 2020/21 (ha)
Thames Basin Heath Special Protection Area (SPA)	1	2,099	9.75	0
Site of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI)	16	2,696	12.52	0
National Nature Reserve (NNR)	1	31	0.14	0
Local Nature Reserve (LNR)	3	76	0.35	0
Site of Importance for Nature Conservation (SINC)	290	2,038	9.47	0

5.18 Table 10 shows changes to Hart district's SSSIs during the monitoring period. The information provided by HBIC is positive with 888.22 ha of additional land now classed as favourable. This means that 98% of the land in Hart district is rated as either favourable or unfavourable recovering.

Table 10: Changes in the condition of SSSIs over the monitoring period (HBIC)

Condition	HDC area (ha)	HDC area (%)	Change in area (ha)
Favourable	1,382.41	51.3	888.22
Unfavourable Recovering	1,258.96	46.7	-825.66
Unfavourable no change	2.62	0.1	-7.07
Unfavourable Declining	45.24	1.7	-55.49
Part Destroyed	6.34	0.2	0
Destroyed	0	0	0
Total	2,695.57	100.0	0

5.19 Please also see Annual Biodiversity Monitoring Report 2021/22. [insert link when published].

Thames Basin Heaths Special Protection Area

- 5.20 The Thames Basin Heaths Special Protection Area (TBHSPA) is an area of lowland heath covering over 8,000 hectares of land across Berkshire and Hampshire and Surrey. The TBHSPA was designated under the European Birds Directive in March 2005 because it represents a mixture of heathland, scrub and woodland habitat that support important breeding populations of nightjar, woodlark and Dartford warbler. These ground nesting birds are particularly vulnerable to predation and disturbance. This protection is codified in UK law through the Conservation of Habitats and Species Regulations 2017.
- 5.21 Policy NBE3 of the HLP32 sets out the approach to the protection of the SPA, the basis of which is the saved South-East Plan Policy NRM6, and the Thames Basin Heaths Special Protection Area Delivery Framework agreed by all the affected local authorities and Natural England. These set out the principles of avoidance and mitigation to avoid harm to the TBHSPA arising from new housing development which include:
- The establishment of a 400-metre exclusion zone around the TBHSPA within which no net new housing development will be supported;
 - The provision of mitigation through Suitable Alternative Natural Greenspace (SANG); and
 - Contributions towards Strategic Access Management and Monitoring (SAMM) measures.
- 5.22 Further information about the Thames Basin Heaths, including the latest information on the numbers of birds (Woodlark, Nightjar and Dartford Warbler) are published on the [Thames Basin Heaths Partnership website](#).

Suitable Alternative Natural Greenspace

- 5.23 Some SANGs are provided with large scale developments, like the one at Hartland Village. Others, like Bramshot Farm, are provided so that smaller residential developments can purchase capacity within them to secure their SPA mitigation.
- 5.24 The number of homes that a SANG can mitigate (or to be more precise, the number of people associated with new homes) depends on the size of the SANG. As more developments purchase capacity from a SANG, its capacity decreases.
- 5.25 SANG capacity updates (and other guidance for developers) are published separately on the [Council's website](#).
- 5.26 For SANG within its control, the Council decides which development proposals can use its SANG for mitigation – see [Council SANG allocations criteria](#).
- 5.27 [Natural England's SANG guidelines](#) were updated in August 2021.

- 5.28 With regards to Council controlled SANG the following highlights took place during the monitoring year:
- The Council took ownership of Whitewater Meadows Country Park, Hook which has been delivered in conjunction with development at the Land north of London Road (14/00733/MAJOR);
 - A new wetland walk opened at Bramshot Country Park. The series of new ponds are an ideal habitat for amphibians and reptiles, increasing the biodiversity of the SANG. It is hoped that the works will attract the protected great crested newt back to the area;
 - In June 2021, work on Hart's Green Garden commenced at Edenbrook Country Park. The Green Garden will create a multifunctional and inclusive community garden space with 94 individual plots for Hart residents. The facility will also be home to the 'Minding the Garden' area where Hart Voluntary Action will be running sessions for community groups; and
 - In December 2021, the Council approved a 12-month trial of a new Parkrun at Edenbrook Country Park. The free, weekly 5k running event is organised by a group of volunteers and aims to bring the community together by promoting inclusivity, health and wellbeing through walking, jogging and running. The first event took place in April 2022.
- 5.29 A new privately owned 16ha SANG at Land south of Eversley Road and East of Marsh Lane, Eversley Cross (APP/N1730/W/21/3273529) was allowed on appeal in October 2021.

Strategic Access Management and Monitoring (SAMM)

- 5.30 SAMM is a project to provide management of visitors across the entire TBHSPA and to undertake necessary monitoring. The Access Management Partnership (made up of landowners and managers of the SPA), with support from Natural England and Hampshire County Council, is implementing a programme of strategic visitor access management measures for the purposes of mitigating the impacts of new development on the SPA, funded by developer contributions (see SAMM tariff).
- 5.31 The Thames Basin Heaths Joint Strategic Partnership publishes regular [updates on the SAMM project](#).

Neighbourhood Planning

- 6.1 There are 21 Parish and Town Councils across Hart district, all of which are able to seek designation as a Neighbourhood Area in order to produce a Neighbourhood Plan.
- 6.2 At 31 March 2022 there were 11 designated Neighbourhood Areas in Hart district with 9 of these areas having a 'made' Neighbourhood Plan.
- 6.3 Soon after the monitoring year, the Yateley, Darby Green and Frogmore Neighbourhood Plan was made on 28 July 2022. There are now 10 made Neighbourhood Plans in the district.
- 6.4 Table 11 and Figure 1 below show the Parishes and Town Council areas within Hart district and whether they have a designated Neighbourhood Area or Neighbourhood Plan.
- 6.5 The key dates associated with the different Neighbourhood Plans are set out at [Appendix 8](#).
- 6.6 Key neighbourhood planning milestones achieved during 2021/22 are set below:

Crandall Neighbourhood Plan

- 6.7 The referendum, which had been delayed due to the Covid-19 pandemic, was held on the 6 May 2021. With a 47% turnout, 83.3% in favour of the Plan. The Plan was 'made' on 20 May 2021.

Crookham Village Neighbourhood Plan

- 6.8 The referendum, which had also been delayed due to the Covid-19 pandemic was held on 6 May 2021. With a 40% turnout, 90.6% voted in favour of the Plan. The Plan was 'made' on 20 May 2021.

Winchfield Neighbourhood Plan

- 6.9 Following the adoption by HLP32 in 2020, Winchfield Parish Council decided that the Winchfield Neighbourhood Plan should be reviewed and updated. The updated Neighbourhood Plan for the period 2022 – 2037 has been produced by local volunteers, with the support of and on behalf of the Parish Council. The Parish Council has published the pre-submission draft for formal consultation which will run from 28 October to 12 December 2022.

Yateley, Darby Green and Frogmore Neighbourhood Plan

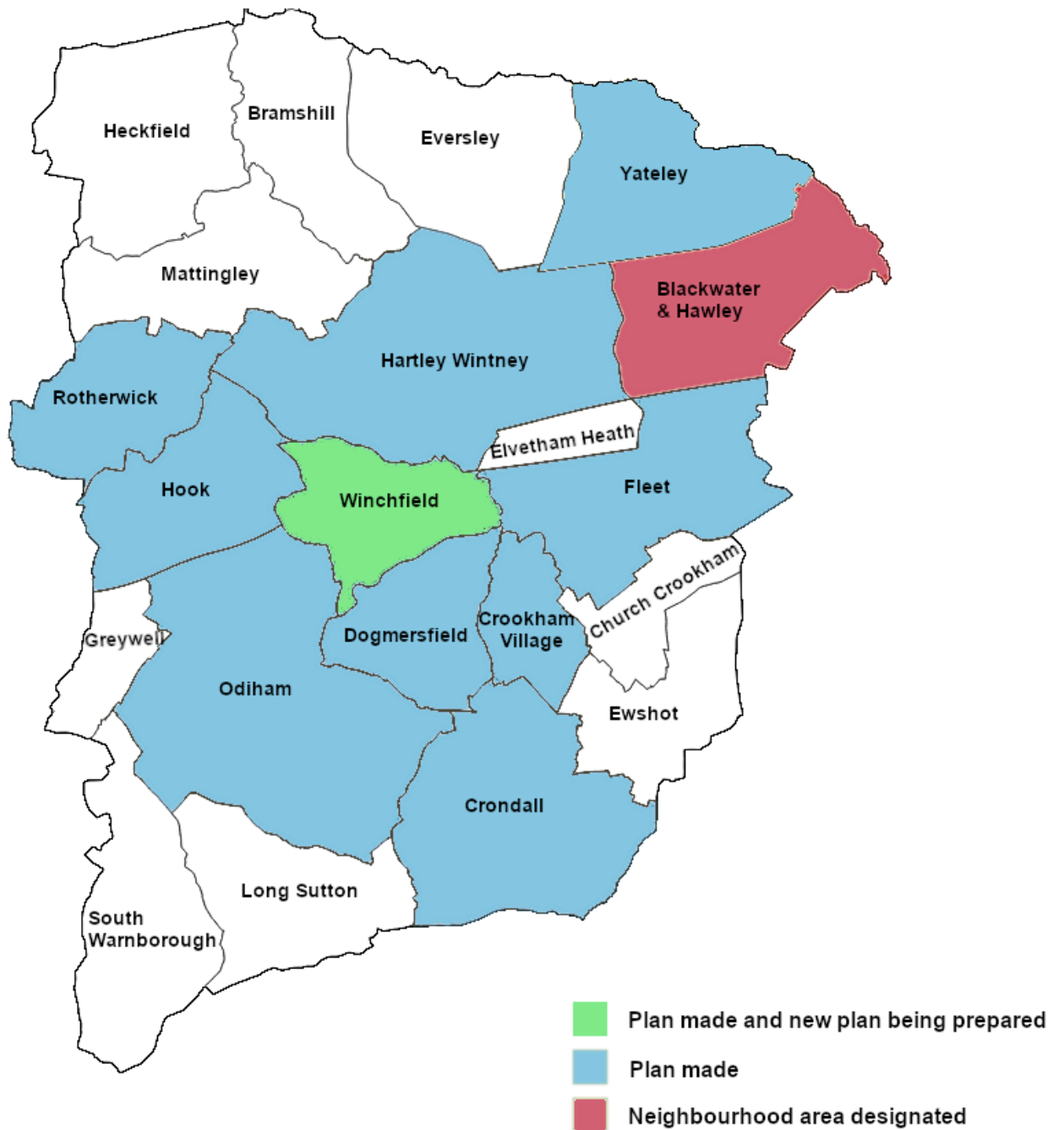
- 6.10 The Yateley, Darby Green and Frogmore Neighbourhood Plan was submitted to the Council in November 2021. A six-week public consultation period took place, ending on 12 January 2022. The Examiner's report was received on the 22 March 2022 and the decision was taken by Cabinet on 7 April 2022 to proceed to referendum. The referendum was held on 30 June 2022. With a

15.3% turnout and 91.1% of people voting in favour of the Plan. The Plan was 'made' on 28 July 2022.

Table 11: Neighbourhood planning status of Parishes in Hart District at October 2022

Parish	Neighbourhood Plan Status
Blackwater & Hawley	Neighbourhood area designated
Bramshill	Not designated
Church Crookham	Not designated
Crandall	Plan made
Crookham Village	Plan made
Dogmersfield	Plan made
Elvetham Heath	Not designated
Eversley	Not designated
Ewshot	Not designated
Fleet	Plan made
Greywell	Not designated
Hartley Wintney	Plan made
Heckfield	Not designated
Hook	Plan made
Long Sutton	Not designated
Mattingley	Not designated
Odiham	Plan made
Rotherwick	Plan made
South Warnborough	Not designated
Winchfield	Plan made and a new plan being prepared
Yateley	Plan made

Figure 1: Status of Neighbourhood Planning areas at October 2022



Assets of Community Value (ACV)

- 6.11 An [Asset of Community Value](#) is land or buildings that have been nominated by a Parish or Town Council, or certain local voluntary or community groups, as furthering the social wellbeing or social interests of the local community.
- 6.12 The listing of land or buildings as an ACV gives the local community an opportunity to make a bid for the asset should it come up for sale.
- 6.13 Over the monitoring period there were:
- 1 new listing for The Bell, Odiham;
 - 2 relisted after previous listings for the WI Hall, Crookham Village and The Spice Merchant, Crookham Village had expired; and
 - 2 moratorium periods following notices of intention to sell. No community bids were received during the moratorium periods for The Bell, Odiham and The Shoulder of Mutton, Hartley Wintney. The owners were therefore free to dispose of the asset.
- 6.14 At 25 August 2022 there were 15 assets on [Hart's Register of Assets of Community Value](#)

Local Development Scheme

- 7.1 The Local Development Scheme (LDS) is a project plan that sets out timescales for the preparation and revision of development plan documents (DPDs) and other planning policy documents. The LDS provides details on what each document will contain and the geographical area it will cover. This section of the AMR reports on the Council's progress in the production of any DPDs, judged against the timetables in the Local Development Scheme (LDS).
- 7.2 The most recent version of the LDS is the [9th revision to the LDS](#) was approved in May 2019. It stated that the new Hart Local Plan would comprise three Development Plan Documents (DPDs):
- Hart Local Plan (Strategy & Sites) DPD
 - Traveller Sites Allocations DPD
 - Development Management Policies DPD
- 7.3 The first of these DPDs, the Hart [Local Plan \(Strategy & Sites\) 2032](#) was adopted on 30 April 2020.
- 7.4 The Council did commence work on the Traveller Sites Allocations DPD in 2019. This included consultation with the statutory environmental bodies on the SA/SEA scoping report took place in November 2019. A 'call for sites' was held between August and December 2019, and a new Gypsy and Traveller Accommodation Assessment was published in March 2020. However, the 'call for sites' did not generate any suitable site options and subsequent work was paused.
- 7.5 In August 2020 the Government launched consultation of major reforms to the planning system in 'Planning for the Future'.
- 7.6 Most recently, the Levelling Up & Regeneration Bill (LURB) in 2022 included a proposal for 'national development management policies' which would mean these did not need to be duplicated in Local Plans, in an aim to speed up the plan making process, making it more efficient.
- 7.7 Given the potential radical changes proposed in the white paper it was decided to address the policies which would have been in a Traveller Site Allocations DPD and Development Management Policies DPD through a future review of the local plan rather than separate DPDs.

Review of the Hart Local Plan (Strategy & Sites) 2032

- 7.8 Policies in local plans should be reviewed to assess whether they need updating at least once every five years and should then be updated as necessary. The HLP32 was adopted in April 2022, and so this assessment should be assessed by April 2025.
- 7.9 In November 2021 Cabinet agreed: *"A Local Plan review assessment to be carried out once any 'Planning Bill' has passed through Parliament and the Government has issued any associated updated guidance."*

- 7.10 Work on the HLP32 review assessment will commence either:
- Once any Levelling Up & Regeneration Bill (LURB) has passed through Parliament and the Government has issued any associated updated guidance; or
 - Prior to expiry of the 5-year period following the adoption of the HLP32, in April 2025.

7.11 The Council will update the Local Development Scheme (LDS) in light of the national changes to the planning system, and the outcome of the HLP32 review assessment.

Other planning policy documents

- 7.12 In September 2021 Cabinet adopted an updated Statement of Community Involvement (SCI). The SCI formally sets out how the Council will involve local communities, business, and other stakeholders in local planning decisions primarily the local plan and the determination of planning applications.
- 7.13 In December 2021, the Council published the First Homes Interim Planning Policy Statement.
- 7.14 In June 2022 the Council published a Biodiversity Technical Advice Note.
- 7.15 In August 2022 Cabinet endorsed the Cycle and Car Parking in New Development Technical Advice Note and adopted the new parking standards.

Duty to Cooperate (DtC)

- 8.1 Local planning authorities and county councils (in two-tier areas) are under a duty to cooperate with each other, and with other prescribed bodies, on strategic matters that cross administrative boundaries.
- 8.2 The duty is to engage constructively, actively and on an ongoing basis to maximise the effectiveness of local plan preparation in the context of strategic cross-boundary matters. The aim is to make sure that planning is joined up across the wider area and make local plans work well together.
- 8.3 The duty to cooperate is not a duty to agree. But local planning authorities should make every effort to secure the necessary cooperation on strategic cross boundary matters.
- 8.4 The following provides a summary of the key activity for the 2021/22 monitoring period.

Authority	Activity
Local Authorities	
Bracknell Forest Council (BFC)	<p>BFC is preparing a new local plan.</p> <p>In May 2021 HDC responded to a Regulation 19 consultation in the BFC plan raising no concerns.</p> <p>In August 2021 BFC wrote to HDC requesting help in meeting its needs for economic development land. HDC responded in September 2021 to the effect that Hart is not currently in a position to take any unmet needs, and that we would expect unmet needs to be met within their Functional Economic Area.</p> <p>October 2021 Statement of Common Ground agreed between HDC and BFC.</p>
Basingstoke & Deane Borough Council (BDBC)	<p>December 2021, fed into BDBC Gypsy and Traveller Accommodation Assessment.</p> <p>HDC responded to a consultation on the Basingstoke & Deane Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plan (LCWIP)</p>
East Hampshire District Council (EHDC)	<p>February 2022, email exchange regarding scope of DtC issues for East Hampshire Local Plan and update on Traveller and Travelling Showpeople position in Hart district.</p>
Hampshire County Council (HCC)	TBC
Rushmoor Borough Council (RBC)	<p>HDC responded to a consultation on the Rushmoor Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plan (LCWIP)</p>

<p>Runnymede Borough Council (RuBC)</p>	<p>Response to Duty to Cooperate scoping consultation clarifying that in Hart's view housing is no longer a potential DtC matter as Hart does not neighbour Runnymede and no longer considers the Hart/Rushmoor/Surrey Heath housing market area (which does neighbour Runnymede) as being relevant.</p>
<p>Surrey County Council (SCC)</p>	<p>N/A</p>
<p>Surrey Heath Borough Council (SHBC)</p>	<p>SHBC is preparing a new local plan and there has been a considerable amount of discussion and correspondence.</p> <p>In October 2021 SHBC wrote to HDC seeking assistance in meeting unmet housing needs, unmet needs for Traveller accommodation, and assistance with the provision of SANG.</p> <p>HDC replied in December 2021 confirming its local plan commitment to deliver 41 homes per annum between 2014 and 2032 but could promise no further assistance at this time. HDC also expressed its view that the Housing Market Area (Hart, Rushmoor and Surrey Heath districts) no longer forms part of Government policy and SHBC should engage with all of its neighbours on an equal footing regarding unmet housing needs. That same letter also included some detailed feedback on their draft Strategic Land Availability Assessment.</p> <p>A Statement of Common Ground was agreed between HDC on SHBC on March 2022. This will continue to be updated over the course of the SHBC local plan process.</p> <p>18 May 2022 - HDC responded to a draft 'Regulation 18' plan. Continuing the thrust of its previous letter, HDC re-confirmed its local plan commitment to deliver 41 homes per annum between 2014 and 2032, and noted that based on the draft plan, there is no further unmet arising in Surrey Heath. HDC raised an objection to statements in the draft plan that the three authorities were continuing to work together to address needs across the housing market area. National policy around the duty to cooperate and housing market areas has moved on and should any additional unmet housing needs arise it would be a matter for all SHBC's neighbours on an equal basis, not just Hart and Rushmoor as former 'HMA partners'. SHBC's housing need and requirement is not based on any HMA joint working (other than the legacy of 41 homes per annum set out in Hart's local plan), and the evidence supporting the Hart, Rushmoor, Surrey Heath geography is dated,</p>

	<p>especially in light of covid and changing travel-to-work patterns.</p> <p>SHBC has yet to publish its next iteration of the plan.</p> <p>In September 2022 HDC responded to a request for assistance with unmet needs for Travellers and Travelling Showpeople and submitted a formal Regulation 18 consultation response on a consultation regarding site allocations for Travellers and Travelling Showpeople. In short, Hart currently has its own unmet needs and is not in a position to agree to take any unmet needs from elsewhere.</p> <p>Discussions also took place around SANG, and the scope for HDC to share some of its SANG capacity with SHBC. A letter was received in August 2022 formally requesting assistance with evidence of why Hart District Council's help is requested. The Council already has an agreement in place with Rushmoor regarding access to SANG capacity which can be reviewed. Work is ongoing to establish the best approach to sharing Hart's SANG capacity with both Rushmoor and Surrey Heath. A report will be considered by Hart District Council's Cabinet on 1 December 2022.</p>
Waverley Borough Council (WaBC)	N/A
West Berkshire Council (WeBC)	West Berks are doing a review of their local plan. 16 June 2022 – DtC meeting focussing on economic development land and any scope for HDC to help address unmet needs. At present HDC cannot commit to helping address such unmet needs.
Wokingham Borough Council (WoBC)	<p>January 2022 – HDC responded to a consultation on a Revised Growth Strategy. This followed the proposal for a new settlement at Grazeley being dropped.</p> <p>HDC identified potential cross-boundary impacts on the transport network as being the main issue from its perspective.</p>
Other prescribed bodies	
Civil Aviation Authority (CAA)	Engagement with development management
Environment Agency	N/A
Enterprise M3 Local Enterprise Partnership	TBC

Heritage England	N/A
Homes and Communities Agency (HCA)	N/A
Natural England	N/A
North East Hampshire and Farnham NHS	Move from CCGs to ICS Series of meetings about the future NHS estates requirements.
Office of Rail Regulation	N/A
Thames Basin Heaths Joint Strategic Partnership	<p>In April 2021 the Council implemented an agreed tariff increase for the SAMM (Strategic Access Management and Monitoring) project.</p> <p>In April 22 this was further increased as requested by the JSPB to account for inflation.</p> <p>The Council is party to the ongoing discussions and initiatives, focussed on the SAMM (Strategic Access Management and Monitoring) project which includes representatives from namely Guildford, Bracknell Forest, Elmbridge, Rushmoor, Runnymede, Surrey Heath, Waverley, Woking and Wokingham Borough Councils, Hart District Council and Royal Borough of Windsor and Maidenhead) along with Natural England (as the delivery body) and Hampshire County Council (as the administrative body), forming a Joint Strategic Partnership Board.</p>

Appendix 1: Hartland Village

1. Hartland Village is the largest development site in Hart district allocated in the HLP32 under Policy SS2. It is a large, previously developed site located between Fleet and Farnborough. The vision for the site is for a sustainable, well designed new community with its own sense of place and identity, and with facilities to meet local needs. A hybrid planning application (part full, part outline) was granted planning permission in July 2018. This included 1,500 homes, a primary school, a village centre with retail, community use, open space and SANG (17/00471/OUT).
2. The site is being developed over 11 phases, starting at the southern end:
 - The hybrid planning application included full details in Phase 1 was granted planning permission was in July 2018.
 - The SANG was granted permission in January 2018.
 - Phase 2 reserved matters was granted permission in November 2020.
 - Phase 3 reserved matters was granted permission in April 2022. This phase will deliver 331 homes, retail and commercial space, a community building, with associated internal access roads, car parking, open space, landscaping and drainage. (21/02871/REM).
3. The approval of Phase 3 of Hartland Village (21/02871/REM) has secured measures to enhance the sustainability of the site and aid the Council in meeting its climate change objectives. New homes will achieve a 43% reduction in carbon emissions compared to building regulations through a fabric-first approach and the installation of efficient air source heat pumps. Residents will also be encouraged to reduce their transport emissions through the implementation of a Green Travel Hub in the village centre. Here, residents will be able to access local bus services, car club vehicles, electric vehicle charging, and bicycle hire and repair. The shift to active modes of travel will be facilitated through a network of on-site and off-site walking and cycling pathways.
4. In 2021/22, 64 new homes were completed on site. This brings the total number of completed homes at Hartland Village to 110. The latest delivery rate projections are set out below.

Table A1: Projected dwelling completions for Hartland Village

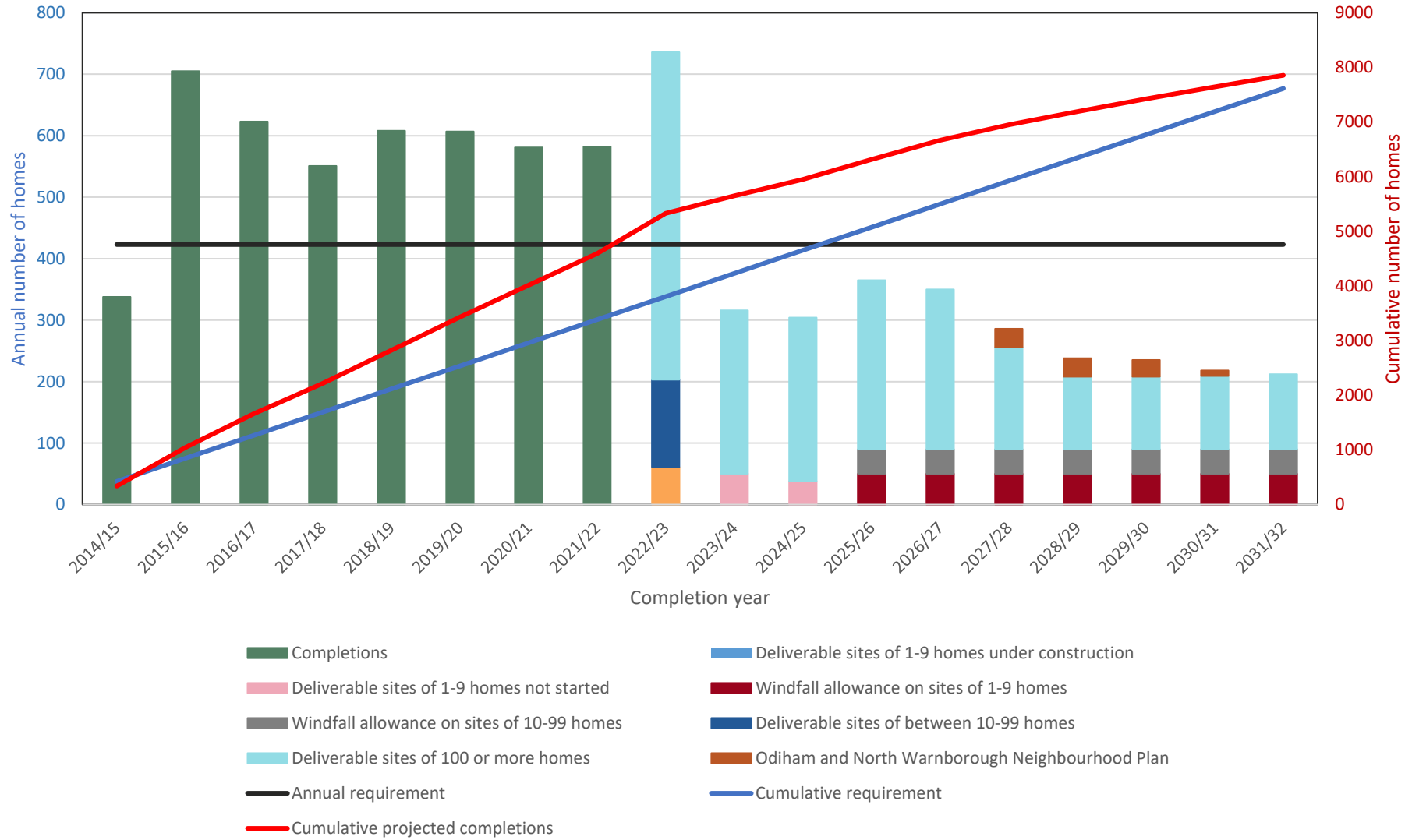
Completion year	20/21	21/22	22/23	23/24	24/25	25/26	26/27	27/28	28/29	29/30	30/31	31/32	32/33	33/34	Total
Number of homes completed	46	64	79	86	101	145	150	110	118	118	119	122	123	119	1,500

5. During 2021/22 the first 20 affordable homes were completed, comprising 9 affordable rented homes and 11 shared ownership homes. The homes are a mix of 1, 2 and 3 bed apartments and homes.
6. A new primary school was secured as part of the outline permission to be located towards the eastern edge of the Phase 3 site. It will be delivered by Hampshire County Council in their role as Local Education Authority, and so does not form part of the developer's reserved matters application for Phase 3. The school will meet the primary education needs arising from the development. Existing secondary education facilities will be supported by a series of financial contributions made by the developers at specific points in the development.
7. In November 2021, improvement works commenced on the pilot of Hart's Green Grid at Fleet Pond, which was in part funded by S106 contributions from Hartland Village developer, St Edward. The first phase of the sustainable travel enhancements, which will provide enhanced connectivity for walking and cycling between Hartland Village and Fleet Station, via Hartland Country Park and Fleet Pond, were completed in July 2022.

Appendix 2: Housing Trajectory: 1 April 2022

	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28	2028/29	2029/30	2030/31	2031/32	Totals	
Annual requirement	423	423	423	423	423	423	423	423	423	423	423	423	423	423	423	423	423	423	423	7,614
Cumulative requirement	423	846	1269	1692	2115	2538	2961	3384	3807	4230	4653	5076	5499	5922	6345	6768	7191	7614	7614	n/a
Completions	338	705	623	551	608	607	581	582												4,595
Deliverable sites of 1-9 homes under construction									61											61
Deliverable sites of 1-9 homes not started									0	50	38									88
Windfall allowance sites of 1-9 homes									0	0	0	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	350
Deliverable sites of 10 - 100 or more homes									142	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	142
Windfall allowance sites of 10 to 99 homes									0	0	0	40	40	40	40	40	40	40	40	280
Deliverable sites of 100 or more homes									533	266	266	275	260	166	118	118	119	122	122	2,243
Odiham & North Warnborough Neighbourhood Plan (see notes on page 30)									0	0	0	0	0	30	30	27	9	0	0	96
Total homes	338	705	623	551	608	607	581	582	736	316	304	365	350	286	238	235	128	212	212	7,855
Cumulative projected completions	338	1043	1666	2217	2825	3432	4013	4595	5331	5647	5951	6316	6666	6952	7190	7425	7643	7855	7855	

Hart Housing Trajectory: 1 April 2022



Appendix 3: Supply of specialist and supported accommodation for older people

The supply of specialist and supported accommodation for the elderly since March 2020.

Category	Scheme	Address	Proposal	Application Reference	Affordable or Private	Existing Use	Net Difference	Date Permitted
Housing for Older People	Rawlings Building	Station Road, Hook	56 retirement living flats (C3)	18/0110/FUL	Private – McCarthy and Stone	Haulage yard	56	29/03/2019
Housing for Older People	Former Police Station	Crookham Road, Fleet	31 retirement apartments	19/02659/FUL (granted on appeal)	Private - Churchill	Vacant police station	31	14/05/2021
Housing with care/extra care	Rawlings Building	Station Road, Hook	68 extra care flats	18/0110/FUL	Private – McCarthy and Stone	Haulage yard	68	29/03/2019
Housing with care/extra care	Grey House	Mount Pleasant, Hartley Wintney	4 care dwellings	21/00630/FUL	Private	Former school	4	30/05/2022
Residential / Nursing care	Fleetwood Lodge	Reading Road North, Fleet	60 bed care home	17/00370/FUL	Private – Larchwood Care	44 bed care home	16	10/06/2020
Residential / Nursing care	Old Raven House	London Road, Hook	13 bed care home extension	19/02739/FUL	Private – Old Raven Ltd	Care home	13	01/06/2020
Residential / Nursing care	The Bell Inn	Frogmore Road, Blackwater	21 bed dementia care home	21/00378/FUL	Private – Larchwood Care	Public house	21	10/09/2021

Category	Scheme	Address	Proposal	Application Reference	Affordable or Private	Existing Use	Net Difference	Date Permitted
Residential / Nursing care	Land on the west side of Alton Road	Alton Road, Odiham	60 bed care home	21/00777/OUT	Private	Vacant	60	Resolved to grant permission 11/08/2021
Residential / Nursing care	Grey House	Mount Pleasant, Hartley Wintney	65 bed care home	21/00630/FUL	Private	Former school	65	30/05/2022
Residential / Nursing care	Land at Southwood	Thackhams Lane, Hartley Wintney	60 bed care home	17/01816/FUL (granted on appeal)	Private – Forest Care	Vacant	60	05/04/2019
Residential / Nursing care	Derriford House	Pinewood Hill, Fleet	15 additional bedspaces	22/01226/FUL	Private – Derriford House Ltd	Care home	15	17/10/2022

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Appendix 4: Retail completions since 2014

Address	Proposal	Net additional floorspace (m ²)	Year completed
Queen Elizabeth Barracks, Sandy Lane, Church Crookham (11/00001/MAJOR)	Redevelopment and change of use to include A1 retail	788	2014/15
Redfield Garden Centre, Ewshot Lane, Church Crookham (08/01126/MAJOR)	Redevelopment of garden centre	2,000	2014/15
150-156 Aldershot Road, Fleet (13/02463/FUL)	Replacement service area/retail	-288	2015/16
100 Aldershot Road, Church Crookham (15/00459/FUL)	Extension and change of use from car sales to A1 retail	293	2015/16
Wood BMW, 56 High Street, Odiham (12/02303/MAJOR)	Class A1 Retail Unit	279	2015/16
Aldi Stores, 46 London Road, Blackwater (15/02426/FUL)	Extension to food store: retail and warehouse space	201	2016/17
Newlyns Farm Shop, London Road, North Warnborough (16/03002/FUL)	New retail units	232	2018/19
Lidl, 21 London Road, Blackwater (17/02645/FUL)	Extension to food store	524	2018/19
Shell, 171 Fleet Road, Fleet (17/03032/FUL)	Redevelop and enlarge filling station shop	119	2018/19
Morrisons, Elvetham Way, Fleet (17/02919/FUL)	Supermarket extension	1,020	2019/20
Former Vertu site, Beacon Hill Road, Church Crookham (18/00694/OUT)	New food store and retail unit	3,968	2021/22
Total		9,136	

Appendix 5: Outstanding retail planning permissions: 1 April 2022

Address	Proposal	Net Floorspace Increase (m ²)	Area (ha)	Status
Land on the north side of London Road, Hook (13/01145/MAJOR)	Erection of Class A1 retail development	5,081	2.22	Not started
Land at Redfields Lane, Church Crookham (19/00748/REM)	Local centre retail convenience store	370	0.1	Not started
Hartland Village, Fleet (17/00471/OUT)	Local centre development	1,355	0.7	Site preparation underway
Total		6,806	3.02	

Appendix 6: Outstanding 'economic development use' permissions: 1 April 2022

Application reference	Address	Proposal	Use class	Outstanding floorspace (m ²)	Site status
19/00428/REM	Martin Lines, Beacon Hill Road, Church Crookham	10 B1, B2, and B8 units	B1/B2/B8	5,122	Not started
17/00471/OUT	Hartland Village, Fleet	Mixed use development with B1 uses	B1	1,300	Site cleared but construction not started
17/01276/PRIOR	Barn west of Bagwell Lane, Winchfield	Change use of agricultural building to flexible A/B/C1/D2	B8	276	Not started
17/00596/FUL	Wintney Court, Thackhams Lane, Hartley Wintney	Conversion to a hotel and erection of commercial floorspace	B1	500	Under construction
18/02853/FUL	Goddards Farm, Bowling Alley, Crandall	Two storey offices & ancillary workshop/store	B1(a)	540	Not started
19/01867/REM	Former Vertu Site, Martin Lines, Beacon Hill Road, Church Crookham	Redevelopment for mixed use retail & industrial park	B8	4,246	Under construction
19/02290/FUL	Arlots Farm, Elvetham Lane, Elvetham	Redevelopment of farm buildings for B1/2/8 unit	B1/B2/B8	200	Not started

Application reference	Address	Proposal	Use class	Outstanding floorspace (m ²)	Site status
18/02741/FUL	Wychwood Carp Farm, Farnham Road, Odiham	30 B1c business units	B1(c)	1,487	Not started
15/02610/FUL	Ford Farm, Ford Lane, Upton Grey	Redevelopment for office/storage building	B1-8	844	Not started
19/00352/FUL	Building A50 & A57 Cody Park, Ively Road, Farnborough	Redevelopment for data centre	B8	19,461	Under construction
20/00621/FUL	Finns Industrial Park, Bowenhurst Road, Crondall	Additional factory/warehouse unit	B2	358	Not started
19/02871/FUL	Guidion House, Ancells Farm Business Park, Fleet	Redevelopment of B1(a) offices for B2 industrial units	B2	7,292	Under construction
21/01886/FUL	Building A105, Cody Park, Farnborough	Extension to data centres	B8	726	Under construction

Appendix 7: Employee jobs by industry (information from [Nomis](#))

Industry	2015 Jobs	2021 Jobs	% Change	Hart %	South East %	Great Britain %
Mining and quarrying	20	45	225%	0.1	0.1	0.1
Manufacturing	1,750	1,250	-28.6%	3.8	5.8	7.6
Electricity, gas, steam, and air conditioning supply	20	15	-25.0%	0.0	0.4	0.4
Water supply; sewerage, waste management and remediation activities	225	1,000	310%	3.0	1.0	0.7
Construction	2,000	2,250	12.5%	6.8	5.7	4.9
Wholesale and retail trade; repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles	5,000	4,500	-10%	13.6	15.9	14.4
Transportation and storage	700	600	-14.3%	1.8	5.1	5.1
Accommodation and food service activities	5,000	5,000	0.0%	15.2	7.3	7.5
Information and communication	5,000	3,000	-40%	9.1	5.5	4.5
Financial and insurance activities	700	600	-14.3%	1.8	2.8	3.6
Real estate activities	700	600	-14.3%	1.8	1.7	1.8
Professional, scientific, and technical activities	4,500	3,500	-22.2%	10.6	9.2	8.9
Administrative and support service activities	3,500	3,000	-14.3%	9.1	8.9	8.9
Public administration and defence; compulsory social security	450	400	-11.1%	1.2	3.3	4.6
Education	3,500	3,000	-14.3%	9.1	9.6	8.8
Human health and social work activities	2,500	3,000	20.0%	9.1	13.0	13.7
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	700	450	-35.7%	1.4	2.3	2.3
Other service activities	1,750	700	-60%	2.1	2.1	1.9

Appendix 8: Progress of Neighbourhood Plans

Neighbourhood Plan Area	Designation of Neighbourhood Area agreed	Regulation 14 (pre-submission) consultation commenced	Regulation 16 (submission) consultation commenced	Receipt of Examiner's Report	Referendum	Date 'made'
Blackwater & Hawley	October 2016	-	-	-	-	-
Bramshill	N/A					
Church Crookham	N/A					
Crondall	September 2016	November 2018	June 2019	November 2019	May 2021	May 2021
Crookham Village	August 2014	March 2019	July 2019	March 2020	May 2021	May 2021
Dogmersfield	August 2015	November 2018	February 2019	May 2019	July 2019	September 2019
Elvetham Health	N/A					
Eversley	N/A					
Ewshot	N/A					
Fleet	April 2015	May 2018	January 2019	June 2019	October 2019	November 2019
Greywell	N/A					
Hartley Wintney	October 2014	January 2018	January 2019	May 2019	October 2019	November 2019
Heckfield	N/A					
Hook	October 2014	November 2018	April 2019	July 2019	October 2019	February 2020

Neighbourhood Plan Area	Designation of Neighbourhood Area agreed	Regulation 14 (pre-submission) consultation commenced	Regulation 16 (submission) consultation commenced	Receipt of Examiner's Report	Referendum	Date 'made'
Long Sutton	N/A					
Mattingley	N/A					
Odiham	August 2014	October 2015	August 2016	December 2016	May 2017	June 2017
Rotherwick	October 2014	December 2015	April 2016	June 2016	November 2016	December 2016
South Warnborough	N/A					
Winchfield	January 2015	March 2016	July 2016	October 2016	February 2017	March 2017
Winchfield (new NP)		October 2022				
Yateley	April 2018	May 2021	November 2021	March 2022	June 2022	July 2022

Environment and Tech Services Overview & Scrutiny Panel meeting – Quarter Two

November 2022

Service Overview

Environment and Technical Services is responsible for delivery of the following services:

- Delivery of Harts climate change action plan.
- Management of Harts countryside sites.
- Management of Harts trees and implementation and enforcement of tree preservation orders.
- Management and enforcement of Harts car parks.
- Implementation, management and enforcement of parking restrictions on the public highway on behalf of Hampshire County Council.
- Maintenance of Harts drainage assets and delivery of Environment Agency funded flood alleviation schemes.

The following services which are reported through Environment and Technical Services are delivered as part of a shared service by a neighbouring authority:

- CCTV – Delivered by Rushmoor (due to transfer to Runnymede BC in April 2021)
- Street Cleaning and Grounds Maintenance – Delivered by Basingstoke and Deane
- Litter and Dog Fouling Enforcement – Delivered by East Hampshire

Resourcing

The service is delivered by 28.5 FTEs working across the following four service areas:

Corporate Plan Priorities

The four strategic priorities set out in the Hart Corporate Plan are:

- A Thriving Local Economy
- A Clean, Green and Safe Environment
- Healthy Communities and People
- An Efficient and Effective Council

Senior Leadership Restructure

The Environment and Technical Service has been dissolved and teams have moved to the following areas:

- Parking transferring to Communities Directorate.
- Countryside transferring to Communities Directorate.
- CCTV transferring to Communities Directorate.
- Infrastructure transferring to Place Directorate.
- Property transferring to Corporate Directorate.

1.0 - Performance against Service Plan.

Rows struck through have moved to either Place or Corporate. Remaining actions are colour coded - red, amber, green.

	Service Priority	Link to corporate plan	Expected Outcomes	Original completion date <i>Revised dates as at shown in red txt</i>	Update Q2
1	Co-ordination of Harts climate change action plan.	Improve energy efficiency Promote a clean environment	Facilitate member and officer working group meetings and provide update reports to Cabinet.	Ongoing -	Regular Climate Change Working Group meetings have been held to review progress with delivery of Climate Change Action Plan.

2	Implementation of Tier 2 savings.	An Efficient and Effective Council	Delivery of agreed Tier 2 savings	June 22	2022/23 savings target to be achieved as a result of general revenue underspend on the revenue budget. Future years savings target to be realised through efficiencies on the Runnymede CCTV contract.
3	Consideration and Implementation of Tier 3 savings.	An Efficient and Effective Council	Delivery of agreed Tier 3 savings	March 23 Jan 23	To be considered as part of 23/24 budget process.
4	Development of Hart website.	An Efficient and Effective Council	Improved access to services.	Dec 22	Being progressed in accordance with agreed project plan.
5	Identify biodiversity and climate change offsetting opportunities.	Protect and enhance biodiversity.	Biodiversity Net Gain and Carbon offsetting action plan to be agreed.	Jan 23	Hart has been successful in getting a £100k grant to deliver "Phase 2" of the biodiversity offsetting model. Initial meetings have been held with the partners and a proposal has been taken to project board
			Survey of HDC land and assets and identify biodiversity, climate offset opportunities.	Aug 22 Nov 22	Phase 1 tender accepted, and site assessment phase commenced.
			Identify opportunities for "No Mow May", reduced grass cutting and increased biodiversity.	Dec 22 Complete	A grass cutting strategy has been prepared and agreed with the Portfolio Holder. Currently this is limited to opportunities on HDC

		Identification of pilot project for tree planting.	Oct 22 Complete	Potential site identified in Hook. Design and funding to be identified in 23/24 budget setting process. Implementation to be identified in 23/24 service plan.	
		Completion of tree strategy and costing for public tree planting scheme.	March 23	Funding identified in the 22/23 climate change budget to procure consultants to produce tree strategy. Work to commence on seeking tenders.	
		Identify suitable land/sites and funding for tree planting to offset carbon emissions.	Jan 23 March 23	To be incorporated within the tree strategy.	
6	Reduce Operational Carbon Emissions	Improve energy efficiency	Instal electric vehicle (EV) charging points at Civic Offices.	July 22 March 23	Proposals for installation of EV charging points at Civic offices to be considered in conjunction with review of fleet vehicles.
		Promote a clean environment	Complete review of all fleet vehicles to transition to zero emission vehicles	May 22	Review complete – Proposal for procurement of vehicles to be taken to October Project board. Top up funding identified in 22/23 climate change budget.
			Install Solar PV on Civic Offices.	July 22 Oct 22	Provisional start date for installation of solar panels confirmed for week commencing 19-26 September.

7	Reduce District-wide Emissions	Improve energy efficiency Promote a clean environment	Update the Climate Change Action Plan to incorporate the recommendations arising from the Carbon Pathway report	Oct 22 Dec 22	Endorsement of Carbon Pathway report to be considered at October Cabinet. Updating of climate change action plan to be completed by December.
			Install electric vehicle (EV) charging points in Hart car parks.	Aug 22 March 23	Tender accepted, detailed feasibility study to be undertaken and project plan agreed. Climate Change working group to monitor progress
			Update the Climate Change Action Plan to incorporate the recommendations arising from the Carbon Pathway report.	Oct 22 Dec 22	Endorsement of Carbon Pathway report to be considered at October Cabinet. Updating of climate change action plan to be completed by December.
			Delivery of the climate emergency communication plan for 22/23.	March 23	Climate Change Communications Plan being progressed by Communications and Engagement Officer.
8	Climate change adaptation plan.	Improve energy efficiency	Agreed approach for the development of a Climate change	Jan 23 TBA	Approach to be agreed once climate change action plan has been updated.

		Promote a clean environment	adaptation plan to be approved by Cabinet.		
9	Storm response plan	Support our town and village centres	Develop effective storm response plan for Hart using lessons learnt from Storm Eunice	Sept 22 Oct 22	Draft being compiled, programmed for completion by end Oct.
10	Green Grid Strategy	A Clean, Green and Safe Environment.	Production of Local Walking and Cycling Strategy.	March 23 Sept 23	Sustrans appointed and induction meeting scheduled for 20 September.
			Produce Signage Strategy for the Green Grid.	Sept 22	Green Grid Signage Strategy currently being implemented
11	Delivery of Hart Green Grid East	Enhance access to open space and recreation facilities.	Agree programme for delivery of Green Grid East Link to Hartland Park / Rushmoor.	Sept 22 Dec 22	Havant Borough Council engaged by HCC to develop: feasibility designs for A3013 Cove Road crossing; Southwood Lane, cattle grid bypass improvements; pavement and drainage improvements.
		Work with partners to keep Hart healthy and active			Working with HCC and St Edwards on provision of temporary crossing of Bramshot Lane.

12	Delivery of Fleet Pond Green Corridor.	Enhance access to open space and recreation facilities. - Protect and enhance biodiversity.	Works to be completed on Hart owned land.	Sept 22. July 22	Works complete and open to public from 15 July 2022
13	Delivery of Ecological Feasibility Study at Fleet Pond	Enhance access to open space and recreation facilities Protect and enhance biodiversity	Phase 1 – Complete scoping works. Recommendations from feasibility study to be considered by Cabinet	Sept 22 Complete	We have tendered for the last studies for Phase 1. However, these may not all be completed this year due to the seasonal nature of these studies.
				Dec 22 Feb 22	Recommendation can be prepared once the green corridor has been reconciled. We hope this will be in time to present in the December Cabinet
14	Delivery of agreed works at Edenbrook Country Park	Enhance access to open space and recreation facilities Work with partners to keep Hart healthy and active	Review and agree programme for delivery of works.	March 23	Currently on hold pending review of SANG funding and completion of water main installation works. Works to be programmed once funding confirmed.

					Moulsham Lane; Site is still not complete and unlikely to be until next year, at which point there will be a years maintenance so not likely to come to us until 24/25 at the earliest.
15	SANG adoptions	Enhance access to open space and recreation facilities	<p>Progress adoptions at the following sites:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Moulsham Lane • Poulters Meadow • Hawley Park Farm • Edenbrook extension (Grove Farm) 	March 23	<p>Albany Park / Poulters Meadows - Planning application amendment received yesterday to change the position of the SANG car park. If permitted it will be spring before it's all good enough to enter the 1 years maintenance period. So 24/25 still looking likely</p> <p>Hawley Park Farm - Pending a few Planning technicalities being overcome relating to permissions and the differing 106s for the site, and trees that died this summer being replaced, we should still be able to take this on 23/24</p> <p>Edenbrook (Grove Farm extension) is near to completion with some small snagging items outstanding. The path connecting both sites is complete, so the site is a fully functioning SANGS.</p>
16	Let contract for refreshment concessions at Bramshot Farm and Edenbrook Country Parks.	Protect and enhance biodiversity Enhance access to open space and	Concessions to be operational.	Sept 22	Following tender evaluation it has been decided that project will need to be rescoped and evaluated. To be discussed at SLT.

		recreation facilities			
17	CCTV cameras to be transferred to Runnymede BC.	Support our town and village centres	Transfer complete.	Aug 22 Oct 22 Dec 22	Virgin Media cable connection between Hart and Runnymede has been completed at. Minor contractual issue also to be resolved. Yet to agree formal handover date with Runnymede.
18	Delivery of the 22/23 traffic management programme.	Support our town and village centres - Support the local economy -	Delivery of the traffic management programme for 22/23.	Jan 23 -	On track
19	Car Park Maintenance.	Support our town and village centres Support the local economy Promote a clean environment	Obtain quotes for production of car park condition survey and maintenance plan. Cabinet approval to be sought to allocate funding in 23/24 budget for works identified in the maintenance plan.	Nov 22 Dec 22	Havant Borough Council are to complete car park condition surveys on the two car parks most needed as a priority. Wider condition survey will be undertaken after that and maintenance plans will be created accordingly.
20	Delivery of approved	Support our	Provision of Property	March 23	Draft legal agreements completed.

	flood alleviation schemes.	town and village centres - Support the local economy -	Level Flood Protection on third party property Kingsway, Blackwater, and Phoenix Green, Hartley Wintney Provision of Natural Flood Risk Management Measures on third party land - Hartley Wintney, and Mill Corner		Stakeholder engagement being developed.
21	Water environment asset management plan	Support our town and village centres - Support the local economy - Promote a clean environment	Complete an asset management plan and improvement/renewal programme of works for Harts water assets.	March 23 October 22 TBA	Tender being developed using Environment Agency Framework. Has not been progressed due to other priorities. Revised programme for delivery to be agreed.
22	HCC highway agencies for TM and Civil Parking Enforcement.	Corporate	Complete transfer of agencies for on street parking enforcement and traffic management back to HCC.	March 23 -	Project plan agreed and being monitored through monthly meetings with HCC.

2.0 - Service risk register

A detailed service risk assessment has been completed and is reviewed at a minimum quarterly. This helps inform the Hart District Council Corporate Risk Register which is reported to Overview & Scrutiny Committee on a quarterly basis. *There are currently no mitigated service risks with a score of 9 or above in the Environment and Technical services risk register, however the headings for the top 3 mitigated risks are provided below.*

- **Risk** - Single point of expertise in key posts
Potential impact - Inability to deliver some services due to staff absence or vacancies.
- **Risk** - Transfer of CCTV service to Runnymede Borough Council delayed past 01/10/2022
Potential impact - Service continues to be delivered by Rushmoor, delay in delivery of forecast savings.
- **Risk** - Termination of highway agencies for traffic management and on street parking enforcement
Potential impact - Loss of control of on-street parking policy and management - Loss of control to support local events i.e. Fleet Half Marathon with TTROs - Loss of ability to support local residents with traffic management issues

3.0 - Performance indicators and targets

KPI	Description	Annual Target	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
ET03	Number of Green Flags held	3	3	3		
ET04	Number of service requests for Street Cleaning.	1200	200 justified 63 unjustified	221 Justified 43 unjustified		
ET05	Number of service requests for Grounds Maintenance.	600	23 justified 50 unjustified	17 Justified 47 unjustified		
ET10	Carbon footprint for Council operations-	1700	Data compiled annually – outturn for 20/21 = 1088.96 t/CO2e, data for 21/22 is not yet available.			

		<i>t/CO2e (19/20 outturn</i>				
ET11	Number of hours of CCTV camera downtime per month	10 days	68 days	Awaiting data		
ET12	Average number of man days of litter enforcement work carried out per month.	16	2.3 days per month	8 day per month		

(*) Breakdown of Q1 service requests for Street Cleaning

- Fly tip removal requests – total = 167 justified 27 unjustified
- Litterbin empty – total = 2 Justified 6 unjustified
- Sweeping request – total = 4 Justified 4 unjustified
- Litter – total = 3 justified 5 unjustified
- Dead animal removal – 38 justified 1 unjustified
- Leafing – total = 0

() Breakdown of Q1 service requests for Grounds Maintenance**

- Weed treatment = 0
- Prune vegetation = 13 justified 40 unjustified
- Grass = 4 justified 7 unjustified
- Information for Officer = 0
- Watercourse = 0

Service Board: Community Services 2022/23 Q1 and Q2



1. Summary comments from Service Managers:

Housing Solutions- Q1 & Q2 Busy quarters with acute interventions for 340 separate households. Of those in line with official government data returns as formal approaches, with us preventing and or relieving just over 100. This coupled with the learning of, and implementation of, our new housing system, re registration of over 1300 applicants and the increase in work done to support the Homes for Ukraine Project, it has been a very challenging 6 months, with positive outcomes.

Community Partnerships & Projects – Q1 & Q2 A very productive but challenging first half year. Q1 & Q2 has seen Homes for Ukraine and Cost of Living Crisis added along with the ongoing growth of the Here for Hart programme. The team has expanded to 7 staff (some full time, some part time). The Homes for Ukraine (New) Team have been on a steep learning curve but have contacted all Hosts and Guests in lengthy conversations, which has helped extended over 60% of the matches to well beyond the 6-month minimum period of hosting. The team have helped broker a number of rematches and moves to private rental. We have produced numerous Cost of Living Crisis Bulletins and have driven forward with key Health & Wellbeing agenda of including Hypertension, Physical Activity and Health & Wellbeing. In partnership with HVA, we have launched the Here for Hart Directory of Services and run several Here for Hart virtual events to support residents in the community. We are working in partnership with RBC and B&DBC to raise the profile of Armed Forces Covenant.

Private Sector Housing – The team received 47 enquiries in relation to Disabled Facilities Grants (DFG) and Prevention Grants (PG) and 2 Minor Works Grants enquiries in Q2 and completed 7 DFGs and 3 PGs. In addition, the DFG Caseworkers continue to carry out Added Value work e.g. to assist clients with benefit claims. The team responded to service requests including damp and mould, overcrowding and disrepair complaints. The biannual Gypsy and Traveller count took place in July and the annual inspection of mobile home sites commenced.

Strategy and Development – During Q1 and Q2 the team has been busy working with 5 Parish Councils and housing associations on bringing forward rural exceptions sites and linking together all the elements involved in this work by bringing the different parties together. We also continue to work on several very complex S106 agreements to negotiate and draft, one of which includes a local lettings plan, sites involving potential financial calculations, and worked on the information required for 2

appeal sites including the S106 agreements for these.

The team visited a number of development sites delivering affordable housing to liaise with the housing association and on-site development team to look at the quality and standard of properties being delivered and to promote these to local residents through Council comms. Overall, the new affordable homes are of a high standard and good links with the housing associations continue into the allocation and occupation of these homes.

There has been a considerable amount of work around Designated Protected Areas applications and liaising with Homes England, Councillors, legal and the RP's over these to reach an agreement and to bring forward a Cabinet paper on this and creating all new forms and processes that this requires. The first application for a waiver under the process is likely to come in shortly.

Over this quarter the team has also spent time progressing the projects identified by the Task and Finish group and pulling together all the necessary data and papers to bring this forward. Unfortunately, the Mortgage Assistance Scheme has been put on hold for the time being due to financial pressures on the Council and other projects are paused at present whilst other urgent work is completed.

From 12th September 2022 four members of the Housing Business Support service came back over to the housing team and are being managed by Strategy and Development. Settling this in and ensuring that it is working well have been a priority for the team and it has taken a significant amount of time to date but good progress has been made with this. We are confident that the benefits from having strong links between the Housing BSU officers and housing teams will lead to an excellent customer service and good working links overall.

Community Safety- In Q1 we handled 222 complaints relating to incidents of Anti-Social Behaviour, 6 of those were repeat victims. We received 4 Safeguarding referrals. Working in collaboration with Police we achieved 26 early interventions. These included Good Neighbour Agreements (GNA), ASB warning letters and mediation. We issued 2 Community Protection Warning Notices which are the first step in further enforcement. These give the individual an opportunity to demonstrate that they can cease the behaviour that is causing a negative impact to others. We delivered 14 different projects, one being an interactive theatre presentation to secondary school pupils highlighting the danger of County Lines and associated gang culture.

In Q2 we handled 387 complaints relating to incidents of Anti-Social Behaviour, 8 of those were repeat victims. We received We received 7 Safeguarding referrals and 1 referral to our monthly PEOPLE Meeting to discuss complex and vulnerable individuals. We achieved 8 early interventions including 1 formal Good Neighbour Agreement (GNA), 1 Acceptable Behaviour Agreement (ABA) and 6 ASB warning letters. We organised and led a joint patrol and leaflet drop event at Hawley Lake/Woods following a spate of ASB and crime issues in the area with Police, MOD, Councillors and Rushmoor Borough Council for increasing community confidence in reporting and to raise awareness and we also hosted the Hampshire Constabulary Community Trigger Conference for the north of the county.

2. Service Priorities

The agreed service plan for 2022/23 is set out below, with progress in Q1 detailed in the final column.

	Service Priority	Expected Outcomes	Completion date	Q1 Progress	Q2 Progress
1	Delivery of the Supporting Communities Plan via the Here for Hart programme	<p>Delivery against action plan set out in Supporting Communities Plan</p> <p>Supporting Communities Plan July 2021.pdf (hart.gov.uk)</p>	March 2023 and ongoing	<p>Launched the Here for Hart Directory of Services in June 22</p> <p>Ran virtual event with theme of “Activities for people with long term health conditions and disabilities”</p> <p>Production of detailed Here for Hart Cost of Living Crisis Bulletin.</p> <p>Hart and Rushmoor Local Children’s Partnership event</p> <p>Extensive team resource has been required to support the ‘Homes for Ukraine’ programme in Hart</p>	<p>Marketing of Here for Hart Directory of Services</p> <p>4 Here for Hart Cost of Living Crisis Bulletins.</p> <p>Here for Hart Bulletins linked to Health & Wellbeing</p> <p>Homes for Ukraine – Supported 214 Ukrainian guests and their hosts.</p> <p>Ensuring that Guests are not made homeless by engaging with Guest and Hosts to extend hosting, or facilitating rematches.</p>
2	Delivery of the emergency response hub, through the Hart Response Hub, in step with Hampshire County Council	Hart Response hub in place Delivery against the SLA in place with Hampshire County Council	March 2023 and ongoing (as required)	Completed	Completed

3	Consideration and implementation of tier 3 savings		March 2023	Under discussion at SLT	Under discussion
4	Monitoring and reporting on the funded Service Level Agreements (SLA's) with key agencies	<p>Delivery against set outcomes and value for money achieved via SLA's:</p> <p>Citizens Advice, Hart Voluntary Action, Fleet Phoenix Inclusion Hampshire</p>	March 2023	<p>Grants awarded:</p> <p>Citizens Advice Hart £148,418 Hart Voluntary Action £40,230 Fleet Phoenix £14,586 Inclusion Hampshire £10,000</p> <p>A summary of Q1 performance for these organisations is included in Appendix 1</p>	A summary of Q2 performance for these organisations is included in Appendix 2
5	Delivery of the Hampshire Domestic Abuse Strategy, in partnership with Hampshire County Council and the other Hampshire districts	<p>Carry out health check of services provided to those suffering domestic abuse, alongside other Hampshire districts and funded by Hampshire County Council</p> <p>Research the benefit to local communities to seek accreditation of services provided to those suffering domestic abuse</p>	March 2023	<p>On track. Creation of fixed term DA Champion role in Housing Solutions, funded with government grant. Discussions with HCC over funding for accreditation of services for survivors of DA – to be progressed in Q2.</p>	<p>On Track with the DA Champion attending regular practitioner meetings to discuss and implement best practice.</p> <p>Discussions are continuing over how best to implement the DAHA accreditation.</p>

6	Improve digital pathway for service users seeking housing advice, applying for housing or approaching for homelessness assistance	<p>Improved digital experience for service users with online accounts and self-serve.</p> <p>Improved efficiency with less resource input from BSU</p>	August 2023	<p>New system went live on 04/04/22</p> <p>Working on launch of the app and business intelligence reporting tool in Q2</p>	Business Intelligence tool now live which will allow us to drill down into the Data held on our housing register. We are also due to go live with property alerts that will link into the new Alexa functionality so that applicants will be able to use an even wider range of devices to access their application and place bids. Further info to follow in Q3 when we are running with these
7	Contribute to the delivery of the North Hampshire Community Safety Partnership (CSP) Partnership Plan	<p>Delivery of initiatives in support of key objectives of the CSP Plan</p> <p>Promotion of crime prevention and safety initiatives through project work</p> <p>Joint work with the Police on ABC's and CPN's.</p>	March 2023	<p>Stay Safe delivered to Robert Mays School 9-12 May, covering CCE/County Lines, DA, Knife Crime, ASB Impacts and Wellbeing.</p> <p>Think Safe delivered to 14 Primary/Junior Schools 27 June - 1 July covering wide range of safety and crime prevention messages</p> <p>Community Safety presence at Community Engagement events: Hook Jubilee Fair and Yateley Fun Fest for Disabled and Carers</p> <p>Attending CSP meetings</p> <p>Tri-borough steering group</p>	<p>Stay Safe delivered to Calthorpe Park School 4-7 July and Frogmore Community College 18-19 July covering CCE/County Lines, DA, Knife Crime, ASB Impacts and Wellbeing.</p> <p>Led partnership walkabout and leaflet drop around Hawley Woods/Lake area 13 August to encourage reporting of crime/ASB witnessed and provide community reassurance.</p> <p>Hosted Hampshire Constabulary Community Trigger Conference 30 September.</p> <p>Attending CSP meetings</p> <p>Tri-borough steering group</p>
8	Provision of an	Reduction of repeat	Ongoing	On track – 6 new repeat cases –	On track – 8 new repeat cases –

	antisocial behaviour (ASB) support service	ASB for 50% of those who approach		3 resolved already. Continued partnership work to tackle complex cases. 6 ASB Warning Letters issued. 1 CPW issued.	15 resolved already. Continued partnership work to tackle complex cases. 6 ASB Warning Letters issued. 1 ABA issued and 1 GNA.
9	Delivery of a homelessness prevention service	Prevention of homelessness for 50% of those who approach	Ongoing	On track and on-going	On track and on-going seeing an increase in complex clients and approaches from Ukrainian households at the end of their six months stay– recruited a fixed term post (from existing grant funding) starting in January 23 to help with demand and workload.
10	Review Homelessness Out of Hours Provision	Homelessness Out of Office Hours or due Office Closure is reportable and actioned Fair remuneration for staff involved in delivering the out of hours service Good value for money service in place	Revised March 23	Project delivery moved to end of year. Housing Solutions Manager drawn into Homes for Ukraine project, so project delayed.	

	Service Priority	Expected Outcomes	Completion Date	Q 1 Progress	Q2 Progress
11	Implement New Housing Solutions IT System	<p>Increased digitalisation Fit for purpose IT</p> <p>Improved digital experience for customers</p> <p>Better value for money / cost savings</p> <p>Decommissioning of ABRITAS</p>	August 2022	Delivered a successful launch of the system	<p>Project Management recognised as an example model of how to procure and implement</p> <p>Key Stats 1300 Housing Register applications 280 Housing Advice applications 130 Homelessness cases</p>
12	Ensure we have an active private rented sector, engaging with landlords and hosting landlord events. Delivery of landlord support and tenancy sustainment services	<p>Annual landlord event over digital platform</p> <p>Branded private sector lettings product, promoted to increase the number of properties available to the council to prevent homelessness</p>	March 2023	<p>Landlord newsletter sent out June 22.</p> <p>Landlord event booked for January 2023</p>	We remain actively engaged with our landlords however due to pressures within the service this quarter we have planned for the landlord event to now take place in March.
13	Implement the Homelessness and Rough Sleeping Strategy Action Plan	Link to be added	April 2023 and ongoing	On track & ongoing	On track & ongoing work underway to look at what options and advice are available to are partners when dealing with Rough

					Sleepers to ensure all are aware of what help is available.
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	Service Priority	Expected Outcomes	Completion Date	Q1 Progress	Q2 Progress
14	Working with and supporting Parish Councils to advise and facilitate delivery of exception sites	<p>Delivery of exception schemes including rural exception sites (RES)</p> <p>Affordable housing included in all Neighbourhood Plans</p> <p>Supporting community groups to explore housing schemes</p>	Ongoing	<p>Work ongoing with 4 Parish Councils (Odiham, Eversley, Winchfield and Hartley Wintney) . 1 RES is due to be completed in the next 6 months although has experienced delays due to shortages with workforce and materials, 2 sites are moving forwards with site identification and design. 1 is hoping to submit planning application in December.</p> <p>We have been contacted by an agent about another RES in a new Parish recently also which will take the total to 5 potential sites. (Need to make contact with the Parish Council to discuss their view).</p>	<p>Work on going with the 4 parish Councils and progressing well.</p> <p>1 site that was due to be completed in the Summer is delayed due to the builder going into administration. The RP is working on finding a builder to complete the site.</p> <p>Another parish has potential sites to take forward to the next stages of selection.</p> <p>One Parish has been out to public consultation on their shortlisted sites.</p> <p>Hartley Wintney Parish has recently had a housing needs survey go out to all residents and these results are being processed at present. Looks to have been a very good response rate.</p> <p>Liaison over the final potential RES continues with the landowner and RP. Parish needs to be part of the discussion if this looks likely to progress any further.</p>

	Service Priority	Expected Outcomes	Completion date	Q1 Progress	Q2 Progress
15	Enabling the delivery of affordable homes, including maximising 40% affordable homes on all eligible sites	<p>Delivery of programme of 40% affordable housing, through planning framework</p> <p>Maintain a good working relationship with the RP's to deliver good quality homes to meet local housing need – meet each RP every 6 months</p> <p>Creation of sustainable and desirable housing products</p>	Ongoing	<p>Regular liaison meetings with RP's continuing.</p> <p>48 affordable homes delivered to date – 28 rented (including 1 x 4 bed house) and 20 shared ownership.</p> <p>Most sites where viability is not an issue providing 40% affordable housing.</p>	<p>Regular liaison meetings with RP's continuing – some are pausing their search for new sites whilst awaiting further guidance on the government's plans and financial direction.</p> <p>77 affordable homes delivered to date – 51 rented and 26 shared ownership.</p> <p>Most sites where viability is not an issue providing 40% affordable housing.</p>
16	Produce an Annual Community Services Update	Publication of an annual update and associated promotion / communication on key outputs	July 2022	Complete and shared with colleagues and on social media.	Complete and shared with colleagues and on social media.

17	Implement the Housing Strategy Actions	<p>Improving affordable housing need information and data collection and utilisation</p> <p>Delivering services and homes to help meet the needs identified</p> <p>Add link to housing strategy</p>	March 2023 and ongoing	<p>Target to deliver an average of 100 homes a year over the strategy period on track and exceeding this target to date.</p> <p>Accessible housing guide researched and published to assist with the development of M2(2) and M4(3) homes. Working with OT's, RP's, planning and developers on delivery and design of new accessible affordable housing.</p> <p>Research to support delivery of social rented homes commenced. This will link into the Local Plan Review.</p> <p>Working with health colleagues on their keyworker housing project and supported the housing company with its lettings plan for keyworkers.</p> <p>Encouraging RP's to work with the Council on affordable housing projects that may require funding.</p> <p>Methods to better record affordable homes with adaptations commenced.</p> <p>New resident surveys sent out to residents moving into new</p>	<p>Target to deliver an average of 100 homes a year over the strategy period on track and exceeding this target to date.</p> <p>Progress on these actions continues as per Q1 update.</p>
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				affordable housing. (Other actions covered by other points in this service plan or fall under BAU).	
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	Service Priority	Expected Outcomes	Completion date	Q1 Progress	Q2 Progress
18	Facilitate a member task and finish group to review capital project proposals	Officers and Members prioritise projects to utilise housing capital funding and bring at least 1 forward into implementation	March 2023	<p>Complete – 4 projects identified after 6 months of work including assessing each project using a bespoke matrix.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Energy efficiency measures in affordable housing - Mortgage Assistance Scheme - Update and refurbishment to Heathlands Court - Top-up funding to RP's to provide social rents to assist with long-term affordability <p>Cabinet has agreed the energy efficiency proposal. Other papers to be worked up include: Mortgage Assistance Heathlands Refurb Social Rents subsidy</p> <p>Paper to be brought forward dependent on available resources and workload.</p>	<p>Cabinet has agreed the energy efficiency proposal. The Mortgage Assistance Scheme is paused for the time being due to Council financial pressures.</p> <p>The next paper to be brought forward dependent on available resources and workload will be social rents subsidy.</p>
	Delivery of Disabled Facility Grant service	Enabling residents to remain in independent	March 2023 and Ongoing	On track - 17 DFGs and 3 Prevention Grants completed to end June.	On track - 24 DFGs and 6

19		living accommodation (80 per year) Provision of discretionary Prevention Grants, focused on providing quick solutions to those in urgent need		18 DFGs at approval stage and lots of new referrals coming in. HCC have contractor to assist with their waiting list and we are using Private OT.	Prevention Grants completed to end of September. 23 DFGs at approval stage and 35 at enquiry stage. HCC still using contractor to assist with their waiting list.
20	Conduct statutory Gypsy and Traveller counts	Submit count in January and July	March 2023 and ongoing	Next count due July 2022.	Count completed on 28th July 2022. Next one due January 2023.
21	Maintaining high housing standards in private sector housing in the district	Housing Health & Safety Rating System & HMO licensing implemented to support healthy and safe living spaces Promotion of Empty Homes reporting tool Improved energy efficiency in domestic premises	March 2023 and ongoing	Ongoing inspections as service enquiries and licensing applications received. Ongoing via social media posts Work ongoing with colleagues on Sustainable Warmth Grants & Boiler Upgrade Schemes.	Ongoing inspections as service enquiries and licensing applications received. Ongoing via social media posts Work ongoing with colleagues on Sustainable Warmth Grants & Boiler Upgrade Schemes and signposting enquirers to Hitting the Cold Spots.
22	Support the delivery of the climate change	Work with private sector housing and external partners such	March 2023	As 21 above.	

	action plan for 22/23	as Housing Associations to support energy efficiency schemes, such as retrofit schemes in domestic and non-domestic buildings and encourage take-up of renewable energy			As 21 above. Sustainable Warmth Grants now being promoted as new managing agent in place.
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3. Performance indicators and targets

KPI	Description	Annual Target	Q1 FIGURES	Q2 FIGURES
1	Number of applicants for whom homelessness is relieved or prevented	to be 50% of those presenting	28 (50%)	49 (59%)
2	Households living in Temporary Accommodation	<i>Below 30</i>	23	29
3	Number of families in B&B for more than 6 weeks	<i>zero</i>	0	0
4	Number housed in to the PRS (cumulative)	<i>30</i>	9	19
5	Number of gross affordable homes delivered (cumulative)	<i>100</i>	44	77
6	Number of Hart residents assisted into employment or training each year through the Hart into Employment	<i>20</i>	10	9
7	% Disabled Facilities Grant spent against budget	<i>100%</i>	16%	27%
8	No. of DFGs and Prevention Grants completed – target 65-70/year	<i>65-70</i>	20	30
9	Number of gypsy / traveller illegal encampments (all land, not just Hart land)	<i>INFO ONLY</i>	0	3
10	Community Trigger reviews to be carried out	<i>1</i>	0	2
12	Increase Newsletter distribution from baseline (70)	<i>20%</i>	17%	37%

4. Quarters 1 and 2: Key Challenges and Achievements

Challenges

- Delivery of Homes for Ukraine Scheme – the draw on staffing resources and the complexity of the scheme
- SLT restructure and bringing in new services into Community
- Lack of affordable family sized private rents available in district
- Go Live of Housing IT project with 900 clients registering in first 6 weeks
- Coordinating return of Think Safe after a 3-year break
- Materials and labour shortages for new affordable housing developments

Key achievements

- Delivering the Homes for Ukraine Scheme
- Delivering a new Housing IT project on time.
- Supporting the Task and Finish Group to prioritise capital funding projects
- Keeping families out of B&B for any longer than 6 weeks despite limited access to PRS and Heathlands at capacity
- Launching the Here for Hart Directory of Services
- Production of Here for Hart Cost of Living Bulletins and workshops
- Delivery of Think Safe after a 3-year break
- Progressing 4 rural exception sites
- Established Armed Forces Covenant plans and engaged with key contacts in preparation for Armed Forces Covenant Duty
- Over 1300 applicants registered on the New Housing system
- Developing H&W initiatives in conjunction with NHS Integrated Care Partnerships, focussing on Hypertension, Physical Activity and Mental Health & Wellbeing.
- Delivery of Stay Safe programme to Frogmore Community College, Robert Mays, and Calthorpe Park schools
- Review of hart's Designated Protected Area processes and paper prepared to take to Cabinet
- Successful transition of housing BSU services and staff into Communities

Looking forward to Quarter Three 2022/23: Key Deliverables

- New Apps being delivered do improve digital accessibility on the Housing Register (Alexa, Property Alerts)
- Create the Refugee Workstream at Project Board
- Here for Hart event themed on Hypertension & Exercise Buddies

5. Risk Assessment – Key risk is identified below.

Service Panel reviews the risks that are ranked at a risk rating of 8 or higher. There is only one risk higher than this level – falling at a risk level 9. This is identified below.

Description	Impact	Source of Risk	Controls in place
Loss of MHCLG grant funding sources, covering TA & homelessness	Reduction in income & potential staff redundancies	Central gov changes in policy / budget deficit	<p>Staff are funded from establishment to eliminate the risk of losing key staff should funding dry up</p> <p>Ear marked reserves could be used to fund any shortfall for a period of around 3-4 years, if grant funding ceased</p> <p>There was a consultation process, seeking feedback from councils on proposed changes – Hart’s views were represented as part of this.</p>

Appendix 1 – Summary of KPI deliverables for funded partner organisations – Q1

Q1 Citizen’s Advice Hart (CAH)

Total Clients Q1 2022/23 seen by Citizens Advice Hart = 1006, evidencing a further 19% increase in clients compared to Q4 2021/22, and a 32% increase on Q3 2021/22. In addition to the consistent increase in client presentation, issues clients are presenting with are complex. Performance against KPIs is as follows:

- Percentage of clients rating access to the service as fairly good or very easy for the quarter is at 75% with a KPI target of 82%.
- Percentage of clients reporting that the service helped them find a way forward to a moderate, great, or complete extent is at 83% with target of 82%.
- Percentage of clients reporting their problem was partly, mostly or completely resolved at 72% is exceeding the target of 69%.
- Percentage of clients reporting that they would be fairly or very likely to recommend the service to other people is at 87% against the 85% KPI.

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Q1 Inclusion Hampshire

- Hart young people attending Inclusion School or Inclusion College are re-engage in learning.
Percentage of Hart young people evaluated to be making progress at case review.
80% vs target of 75%
- Hart young people making academic progress in Maths and English.
Percentage of Hart young people developing Maths and English skills based on half term assessments or teacher assessment.
90% achieved vs target of 75%
- Hart young people make improvements in their life skills and social skills.
Percentage of Hart young people achieving the personal, social and development goals as measured by SEMH (social, emotional & mental health) monitoring tools.
90% achieved vs target of 75%

Q1 Hart Voluntary Action (HVA)

Volunteer Centre -Increased involvement of Hart residents with the local voluntary and community sector.

- Number of new volunteers referred to a volunteer placement organisation 89 vs 70 target
- Number of new volunteers placed with a volunteer placement organisation 48 vs 45 target

Practical support, innovation and financial resilience -Enhanced capability of the Voluntary & Community Sector in Hart

- Number of individual voluntary and community organisations supported 18 vs 10 target

Health and Wellbeing Projects (incl. Health Walks, Counselling Services, Young Carers, Minding the Garden) - Improved physical and mental health and wellbeing for young people and adults in Hart.

- Number of new people (Hart residents) accessing Hart Voluntary Action's Health and Wellbeing projects – 57 vs target 50

Hart Health Walks

- No of new registered walkers 50
- No of new walks 1
- No walk leaders trained – 1

Minding the Garden

- 28 residents benefited from activity at Hart's Green Garden

The Here for Hart Directory was launched on 24 June in partnership with Hart Voluntary Action. There are c.440 individual directory entries, and HVA will continue to update or add new information as required.

HVA Participation in Here for Hart working groups and events – 5

Q1 Fleet Phoenix

- Figures will be made available in Q2 22-23

- **Appendix 2 – Summary of KPI deliverables for funded partner organisations – Q2**

Q2 Citizen’s Advice Hart (CAH)

Total Clients Q2 2022/23 seen by Citizens Advice Hart = 731,

Performance against KPIs is as follows:

- Percentage of clients rating access to the service as fairly good or very easy for the quarter is at 77% with a KPI target of 82%.
- Percentage of clients reporting that the service helped them find a way forward to a moderate, great, or complete extent is at 90% with target of 82%.
- Percentage of clients reporting their problem was partly, mostly or completely resolved at 78% is exceeding the target of 69%.
- Percentage of clients reporting that they would be fairly or very likely to recommend the service to other people is at 88% against the 85% KPI.

- **Additional Key Points**

- Increase in need for emergency and charitable support such as fuel and foodbank vouchers by 341%
- Clients have an average of 2.25 issues each
- Safeguarding concerns raised have increased to 19 in Q2 compared with 6 in Q1
- Debt advice and financial capability client demand has increased by 31%
- 63% of Hart clients have long term health condition or disability, up from 58% (12% Hart census)
- General benefit entitlement and PIP issues outweigh any other benefit issue
- Council tax arrears and fuel debts account for 32% of debt issues
- BAME clients have increased from 8% in Q1 to 12% in Q2

Q2 Inclusion Hampshire

- Hart young people attending Inclusion School or Inclusion College are re-engage in learning.
Percentage of Hart young people evaluated to be making progress at case review.
80% vs target of 75%
- Hart young people making academic progress in Maths and English.
Percentage of Hart young people developing Maths and English skills based on half term assessments or teacher assessment.
90% achieved vs target of 75%
- Hart young people make improvements in their life skills and social skills.
Percentage of Hart young people achieving the personal, social and development goals as measured by SEMH (social, emotional & mental health) monitoring tools.
90% achieved vs target of 75%

Q2 Hart Voluntary Action (HVA)

- Number of new volunteers referred to a volunteer placement organisation 97 vs 70 target
- Number of new volunteers placed with a volunteer placement organisation 45 vs 45 target
- Number of individual voluntary and community organisations supported 5 vs 10 target
- Number of new people (Hart residents) accessing Hart Voluntary Action's Health and Wellbeing projects – 53 vs target 50

Additional Information

- 3 Ukrainian refugees into local volunteer roles.
- HVA has been supporting 6 weekly English conversation classes for Ukrainians across the District in-person and online, supported by 11 volunteers and 2 paid tutors.
- The Here for Hart Directory now contains 460 individual directory entries.
- Hart Residents accessing HVA services as new clients/members:
 - Breakdown is as follows for Hart Health Walks – 11.
 - Minding the Garden – 6 individual members.

- Counselling Services: 121 Youth Counselling -23,
 - 121 Adult Counselling - 4,
 - Family Therapy – 4,
 - Sunshine & Showers – 0,
 - Hart and Rushmoor Young Carers – 4.
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- HVA Participation in Here for Hart working groups and events – 1

Q1 & Q2 Fleet Phoenix

Activity	Outcome(s)	Indicators	Target	Frequency of reporting	1st	2nd	HDC Strategic Plans link
Activities to improve the emotional health, wellbeing and resilience of young people including clubs, training opportunities, advice & information, mentoring, mediation, and other support	Young people have access to support to build their resilience to life transitions	No. of young people participating in Fleet Phoenix activities	Data only	Quarterly	679	677	Corporate Plan Healthy communities and people Support residents in becoming economically active
	Young people have improved knowledge and understanding of how to deal with issues facing them	Percentage of young people participating in Fleet Phoenix activities who report improved knowledge and understanding of how to deal with the issues facing them	75%	Quarterly	84%	92%	
	Young people make positive lifestyle changes	Percentage of young people participating in Fleet Phoenix activities who report positive lifestyle changes	50%	Quarterly	58%	72%	

	Young people have improved emotional wellbeing and mental health	Percentage of young people participating in Fleet Phoenix activities who report improved emotional wellbeing and mental health	50%	Quarterly	64%	79%	
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CABINET

KEY DECISIONS / WORK PROGRAMME AND EXECUTIVE DECISIONS MADE

December 2022

Cabinet is required to publish its Key Decisions and forward work programme to inform the public of issues on which it intends to make policy or decisions. The Overview and Scrutiny Committee also notes the Programme, which is subject to regular revision.

Report Title	Outline/Reason for Report/Comments	Due Date	Original Due Date	Key Decision Y? (Note 1)	Cabinet Member (Note 2)	Service (Note 3)	*This item may contain Exempt information
Revised Medium Term Financial Strategy and Emerging 2023/24 Budget	Post consideration by Overview and Scrutiny – to consider the updated Medium Term Financial Strategy and the Emerging 2023/24 Budget (which currently is work in progress)	1 Dec 2022		No		F	
Annual Sites of Alternative Natural Green Space (SANGS) Review	To look at overall capacity and demand for SANGS. Cabinet to also look at support for neighbouring Councils and long term support	1 Dec 2022		No		P	
Fleet Pond Green Corridor and Hartland Park Mitigation Works Update	To update Cabinet on budget expenditure and works completed to date, and to seek approval for future works.	1 Dec 2022		No		H	
Stakeholder Engagement Plan	To receive recommendations on best practices for stakeholder engagement in the monitoring of Odiham Common and other Management Plans	1 Dec 2022		No		H	
Civic Regen Project	To provide Cabinet with a project update including receiving the minutes of the recent Civic Regen	1 Dec 2022		No		CS	

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	Working Group and agree any actions therefrom						
Representation on Board of Butterwood Homes	To consider the Council's representation on the management board of Butterwood Homes	1 Dec 2022		No		CX	Exempt
The Swan Inn, North Warnborough	To provide Cabinet with an update and recommended next steps following receipt of commercial valuation	1 Dec 2022		No		CS	Fully exempt
Funding for potential acquisition of 42 apartments for affordable market rent	To agree the source of funding for the potential acquisition of 42 affordable market rent key worker apartments.	1 Dec 2022		No		CX	Exempt
Potential for a Shared Chief Executive with Rushmoor Borough Council	Consideration of a business case for a Shared Chief Executive between Hart District Council and Rushmoor Borough Council	Jan/Feb 2023	Dec 22	No		CS	
Lease of the Harlington Centre	To propose an updated lease for the Harlington Centre.	5 Jan 2023		No		CS	Fully exempt
TM Strategy - Mid Year Review	Post consideration by Overview and Scrutiny	5 Jan 2023		No		F	
Forecast 2022/23 Capital and Revenue Outturn	Post consideration by the Overview & Scrutiny Committee, to consider the 2022/23 forecast Capital and Revenue Outturn	5 Jan 2023		No		F	
Review of Finance Regs and	Post consideration by Overview and	2 Feb		No		F	

Report Title	Outline/Reason for Report/Comments	Due Date	Original Due Date	Key Decision Y? (Note 1)	Cabinet Member (Note 2)	Service (Note 3)	*This item may contain Exempt information
Contract Standing Orders	Scrutiny	2023					
Budget Report for 2023/24	Post consideration by Overview and Scrutiny	2 Feb 2023		No		F	
Draft Budget Book	Post consideration by Overview and Scrutiny	2 Feb 2023		No		F	
Fees and Charges for 2023/24	Post consideration by Overview & Scrutiny	2 Feb 2023		No		F	
Draft Treasury Management Strategy Statement	Post consideration by Overview and Scrutiny	2 Feb 2023		No		F	
2023 Capital & Revenue Forecast Outturn to December 2022	Post consideration by Overview and Scrutiny	2 Feb 2023		No		F	
Climate Change Action Plan	Cabinet to receive the proposed Action Plan to facilitate Hart's Carbon Pathway for endorsement	2 Feb 2023		No		CS	
Corporate Plan	To receive feedback from stakeholders, and approve the Corporate Plan	2 Feb 2023		No		CS	
Bad Debt Write Offs 22/23	Summary for information	2 Mar 2023		No		F	
Draft Service Plans 2023/24	To consider the draft service plan	2 Mar		No		ALL	

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	for 2023/24	2023					

Note 1

A “key decision” means an executive decision which, is likely to –

- a) result in Council incurring expenditure or the making of savings which amount to £30,000 or 25% (whichever is the larger) of the budget for the service or function to which the decision relates; or
- b) be significant in terms of its effects on communities living or working in an area comprising two or more wards within the area of the district of Hart.

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Note 2

Cabinet Members

DN Leader	TCI Digital	RQ Commercialisation (Cn) and Corporate Services	SB Community (Cy)
TCO Regulatory	AO Environment	JR Finance	GC Place

Note 3

Service:

CX Chief Executive	CS Corporate Services	PL Place Services
CSF Community Safety	PP Planning Policy	
FI Finance	COM Community Services	
SLS Shared Legal Services	MO Monitoring Officer	

Note 4

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*This item may contain Exempt Information – Regulation 5 of the Local Authority (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012

Executive Decisions

11.11.22	Cllr Neighbour	To agree the release of £10,550 S106 funding to provide a Youth Shelter in Hook Meadow, Croft Lane, Crondall				No call in

Dec 2022	OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE WORK PROGRAMME					
Issue and Description of Topic	Current Position Objective	Original Due Date	Revised Date	Resources Required	Contact	*This item may contain Exempt Information
Review of Financial Regulations and Contract Standing Orders	Prior to consideration by Cabinet and adoption by Council, to review draft updates of Financial Regulations and Contracts Standing Orders.	Sept 22	Dec 22 Now Jan 23	Report	Corporate Services	
Treasury Management - Mid-year review	To review the half-year review on Treasury management 2022/23 prior to consideration by Cabinet.	Dec 22		Report	Corporate Services	
Annual Planning Monitoring	To receive the draft annual report monitoring the implementation of policies in the Hart Local Plan (Strategy and Sites) 2032, adopted April 2020.	Dec 22			Place	
Draft Budget 2023/24	To make comments on the draft 2023/24 Revenue Budget, Capital programme, and Council Tax Proposal prior to consideration by Cabinet and recommendation to Council	Jan 23		Report ready for December Cabinet	Finance	

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Fees & Charges 2023/24	To review the proposed 2023/24 Fees and Charges prior to consideration by Cabinet and recommendation to Council.	Jan 23		Report ready for December Cabinet	Finance	
Draft Treasury Management Strategy and Annual Investment Strategy	To consider the draft Treasury Management Strategy and Annual Investment Strategy 2023/24 which incorporates the Annual Investment Strategy and Prudential and Treasury Indicators prior to consideration by Cabinet .	Jan 23		Report	Finance	
Quarterly Budget Monitoring Report	To receive the Quarterly (Q3: October - December) update on the projected budget outturn.	Feb 23			Finance	
Annual On-Street Parking Report	To review the annual report	Feb 23			Community Services	
Review of Affordable Housing Efficiency Measures	To review the effectiveness of the policy agreed by Cabinet in March 2021.	Mar 23			Community Services	
Off Street Parking	To invite the Portfolio Holder responsible for Car Parks to outline any plans that he may have to review off-street parking across the District.	Mar 23 TBC				
Chairman's Annual review of the work of the	Prior to consideration by Annual Council, the Chairman to report on the work over	Apr 23				

Overview and & Scrutiny committee	the past year of overview & Scrutiny Committee					
Return of Highways Agency to Hampshire County Council	To review the implications of the return of the Highways Agency to Hampshire County Council	Apr 23 TBC			Place Services	
Medium Term Financial Strategy	To consider the emerging budget for 2023/2024 and the draft MTFS	Feb 23		Presentation	Corporate Services	
Quarterly Complaints Analysis	To analyse and review the number and type of complaints received by the Council for the previous quarter.	Jan 23		Report	Corporate Services	
Multi Agency Flood Forum (MAFF)	Update from the bi-annual meeting of multi-agencies.	Apr 23		Minutes only	Place	

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