

BISHOPSTOKE, FAIR OAK & HORTON HEATH (BIFOHH) LOCAL AREA COMMITTEE

Wednesday 10 March 2021

BIFOHH LOCAL AREA ACTION PLAN 2021/22

Report of the Local Area Manager

Recommendation

It is recommended that

- (1) **The Bishopstoke, Fair Oak & Horton Heath (BIFOHH) Local Area Action Plan (LAAP) 2021/22 shown in Appendix 1 is approved for adoption and publication.**
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Summary

This report presents the priorities for the coming year for the Local Area Committee.

Statutory Powers

Section 1 of the Localism Act 2011 i.e. the Local Authority's general power of competence, including power to act for the benefit of its area or persons resident or present in its area.

Strategic Implications

1. This report seeks to address all of the key objectives in the Corporate Plan.

Background

2. The Council has agreed a set of Borough-wide objectives to improve quality of life for all. These are set out in the Corporate Plan 2015-25. The Council also seeks to enable decisions to be made at the most appropriate local level, mostly notably through the five Local Area Committees but also through our town and parish councils and other more local partnerships.
3. The Local Area Committee regularly approves a Community Investment Programme (CIP), which lists all the local projects and initiatives that the Local Area Committee and Parishes would like to deliver in the short, medium and long term. The list is used to negotiate section 106 contributions from developers which often form the majority of the funds required. These funds

often need to be pooled from several developments over a number of years in order to achieve sufficient project budget.

4. All five Local Area Committees are now seeking to set out a shorter-term list of priorities for the coming year and the BIFOHH priorities are given in Appendix 1 within the BIFOHH Local Area Action Plan 2020/21. The Plan will be used to determine budgets and resources as part of the Council's annual business planning cycle. This is also a public facing document and part of its purpose is transparency, enabling residents to understand what the committee is planning to achieve.
5. Local Area and Cabinet Councillors have been consulted on the draft Plan and it is now recommended that the BIFOHH Local Area Action Plan 2020/21 is approved for adoption and publication, subject to minor formatting changes.

Financial Implications

6. There are no direct financial implications arising from this report.

Equality and Diversity Implications

The Equality Act is relevant to the decision in this report as the decision relates to eliminating discrimination, advancing equality of opportunity, or fostering good relations between different people. A full Equality Impact Assessment (EIA) has not been carried out, because equalities issues are always considered in each of the LAAP projects and priorities.

Climate Change and Environmental Implications

7. The BIFOHH local area committee (LAC) is fully focused on improving the environment and tackling climate change. The first key priority in the 21/22 LAAP states the climate emergency and commits the LAC will ensure impacts on the environment and climate change are central in their thinking. This overarching priority seeks to ensure a wraparound commitment for every project and committee decision.

Conclusion

8. The report presents the draft BIFOHH Local Area Action Plan shown in Appendix 1 for approval.

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Appendices Attached: 1

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972 - SECTION 100D

The following is a list of documents which disclose facts or matters on which this report or an important part of it is based and have been relied upon to a material extent in the preparation of this report. This list does not include any published works or documents which would disclose exempt or confidential information.

Background Papers – Eastleigh Borough Council Corporate Plan 2015-25