

Actions arising from last OSMC Meeting

The OSMC is requested to consider the following list of actions and note the updates provided.

Ref No:	Date	Item/Action	Member/Officer	Comments/ Update
18	14/01/2020	Corporate Programme and New Ways of Working - Progress with the NWoW reviews would be discussed with Heads of Service at appropriate stages in the process.	Melanie Best	Complete - Report on NWoW is on the agenda for the OSMC meeting in July 2021.
34	09/02/2021	2020/21 Performance Report Q2 - PWC report suggests that nationally, independent shops have been better able to survive lockdown restrictions than chain stores. Check if there is local data to support this (e.g. as part of the Town Centre Masterplan).	Catalin Bogos	Complete - We are able to confirm that between March 2020 and March 2021, the overall number of business rated properties in West Berkshire has remained stable at around 7,800 properties. Similarly, the number of empty business properties remained stable too (293 in March 2020 compared to 289 in March 2021). Qualitative intelligence suggests that some chain stores have closed branches in West Berkshire high streets, but sometimes as a result of being impacted at national level (e.g. Laura Ashley, Bella Italia, Café Rouge, Debenhams). However, the independent shops seem to be more agile and more dynamic during the pandemic, many new ones opening during last year (examples include independent shops, a bridal shop, cafés, cake shops, barbers, fitness centres and beauty salons).
35	09/02/2021	Overview and Scrutiny Management Commission Work Programme- Terms of reference for the Leisure Strategy Task and Finish Group to be discussed with the Head of Service	Cllr Gareth Hurley	Superseded (see Action 41 below).
37	20/04/2021	Crime and Disorder Committee - Community Safety Update Investigate whether planning and transport officers could be engaged as part of the PSPO process	Nick Carter	Complete - Public Spaces Protection Orders (PSPOs) came into effect under section 59 of the Anti-Social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act, 2014. There are statutory requirements around the application process for PSPOs. In addition to statutory consultation requirements under section 72, requirements under Section 64 relating specifically to those Orders restricting public right of way over a highway were also adhered to. The restricted access in question relates to a footway. Local councillors, the parish council, the Local Access Forum, the Ramblers Association along with departments within WBC were all consulted in line with the above statutory requirements'.

38	20/04/2021	Covid-19 Income Risks Provide further analysis of Covid related income losses for other unitary authorities.	Joseph Holmes / Melanie Ellis	Complete - Information only available for Councils as a whole: https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/local-authority-covid-19-financial-impact-monitoring-information
39	20/04/2021	Covid-19 Income Risks Provide further detail on calculations for forecast car park income losses.	Jon Winstanley	Complete - Forecasts were taken as an estimated percentage reduction across the board. This is reflective of the consistent reduction in use across the Council's car parks during the pandemic.
40	20/04/2021	Leisure Strategy Task and Finish Group Chairman to confirm the fourth member of the Leisure Strategy Task and Finish Group.	Cllr Alan Law	Pending - A standing item will be added to OSMC agendas to allow nominations for changes to memberships of Task and Finish Groups.
41	20/04/2021	Leisure Strategy Task and Finish Group Cllr Gareth Hurley to meet with Cllr Howard Woollaston and Matt Pearce to agree how they would work together.	Cllr Gareth Hurley	Complete - Meeting took place on 13 May
42	20/04/2021	Leisure Strategy Task and Finish Group Gordon Oliver to update the Task and Finish Group Terms of Reference to address points raised by Councillors Dillon and Hurley.	Gordon Oliver	Complete - Terms of reference amended and circulated.
43	20/04/2021	Revenue Financial Performance Report - Quarter 3 of 2021/22 The Chairman and Vice Chairman to review future meeting dates to better align with Executive meetings.	Cllrs Alan Law and Lee Dillon	Complete - It is proposed to have meetings two days before Executive from September 2021.

Last updated: 28 June 2021