

Title of Report:	Resource Management Working Group	Item 12
Report to be considered by:	Overview and Scrutiny Management Commission	
Date of Meeting:	17 th April 2012	

Purpose of Report: To provide an update on the work of the Resource Management Working Group.

Recommended Action: To note the information.

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Executive Report

1. Introduction

- 1.1 This report provides an update on the work undertaken by the Resource Management Working Group since the report made at the last OSMC meeting.

2. Progress made

- 2.1 The last meeting of the Resource Management Working Group was on 28th February 2012.
- 2.2 At the meeting the Resource Management Working Group were given an update on the development of the Highways Asset Management Plan (HAMP).
- 2.3 The HAMP was a major piece of work designed to report on the condition of the local road network; the levels of service for management of the network; financial arrangements for management of the highway asset; the value of the assets; lifecycle planning and the strategic approach to the decision making process of highway management.
- 2.4 The Council's Month 9 Financial Report had been previously considered and debated at the Executive meeting of the 9th February 2012, but Members were given the opportunity to give their observations on this. Clarification on one item for Transport Service was being sought.
- 2.5 The meeting gave their observations on the Establishment report. It was resolved that Human Resources be asked for clarification on the fluctuation of establishment numbers in the Youth Service and that the Chief Executive advise the Working Group of the reasons behind a -0.19 FTE vacancy in his office.
- 2.6 The meeting was presented with the Closure Report on the Timelord Programme by Jackie Jordan. The Council had reduced its office footprint by 30%, the consequence of which was avoiding the refit of this at an estimated saving of £6M. The meeting noted that the Programme had achieved a positive result that had delivered many benefits.

3. Discussion items scheduled for the next meeting

- 3.1 The next meeting of the Resource Management Group is scheduled to take place on 24th April 2012.
- 3.2 The meeting will ask the Newbury Town centre Task Group to review and report on the opening months operation of the Parkway Centre.
- 3.3 The Meeting will receive a report of the aims and operation of the Managed Vacancy factor (MVF).

4. Work Programme

- 4.1 The latest work programme for the Select Committee is contained within item 14 of this agenda.

Appendices

There are no Appendices to this report.