

BUSINESS PLAN 2018-2021 2020-21 Work Programme

Sustainable Communities in a Working Forest

The Landscapes Review asks ‘how do we make sure both natural beauty and society benefit from change rather than suffer?’ There are three proposals in the report, around strengthening the duty to foster vitality in communities, a new national landscapes housing association and piloting new approaches to transport. This area of work builds on our new Local Plan (with a range of policies supporting sustainable development) and our experience of working with communities over the last decade, looking where we can make the biggest difference with our resources. Focus will be given to projects to promote local distinctiveness and the commoning way of life.

Outcomes	Actions / Priorities	Quarterly RAG status	Overall RAG status	Risks and mitigation (if amber or red)	Communication Actions
Built Environment & Housing					
All new development incorporates sustainable construction standards and techniques in accordance with national planning policy and the new Local Plan (DP18).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Update Design Guide SPD with reference to climate change and sustainability; prepare and issue informal planning guidance in the short term (Q1) Local Design Awards to recognise and promote sustainable development 				
20 affordable homes granted planning permission.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identifying more opportunities for rural exception sites; liaising with local communities / Homes England / Hampshire Homes Hub. Securing the appropriate level of provision of on-site affordable housing for local people on allocated sites. 				
Two new affordable homes built at Burley.	Tender the building work; appoint contractors; complete development and let properties at an affordable rent				
Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) Charging Schedule approved to fund green infrastructure and support sustainable development.	Complete review of CIL and viability testing; report to Authority meeting for decision on CIL Charging Schedule.				

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National Park of the Future					
The New Forest National Park is relevant to the lives of a broad and diverse range of stakeholders and communities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Explore a range of options to encourage greater engagement of underrepresented groups / interests with the work of the Authority. Agree changes to be implemented at the start of the 2021/22 financial year 				
Local distinctiveness and the 'working Forest'					
<p>All new development achieves the highest standards of design.</p> <p>The Forest's built and historic environment is enhanced.</p>	<p>Update Design Guide SPD</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review of Conservation Areas (Burley, Forest South East and Forest North East) Revise and publish list of non-designated heritage assets Run training sessions for parish councils re heritage assets Support community led surveys, e.g. fixed-point photography 				

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Strong community-led approach to conveying sense of place and local pride	Assist communities and local organisations to lead cultural and natural heritage projects that foster identity and sense of place- work with at least four groups in this way (e.g. commoners voices, East Boldre etc)				