



***Item 10***

# **Report to the Partnership for Urban South Hampshire Joint Committee**

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Subject: **PUSH Joint Committee Draft Work Programme**

## **SUMMARY**

This paper gives an outline of the draft programme of business to be considered by the Joint Committee at its meetings in the 2007/8 municipal year.

## **RECOMMENDATION**

The Committee is invited to:-

- a) **APPROVE** the work programme for the remainder of 2007/8; and
- b) **AGREE** to the scheduling of an additional meeting in February to consider the Business Plan.

## **INTRODUCTION**

1. The PUSH Joint Committee is supported by a number of thematic working groups, predominantly comprising local authority officers. These cover:
  - Economic Development (which in turn has sub-groups covering Enterprise, Innovation and Business Support; Land and Property; Skills; Communications and Marketing)
  - Culture & Creative Industries
  - Housing
  - Planning
  - Sustainability
  - Transport and Infrastructure (linking to Transport for South Hampshire)
2. Their work is overseen by the PUSH Working Group comprising the Lead Officers for each Theme Group and chief officers from the strategic authorities, together with the PUSH Project Director. The Working Group itself has responsibility of matters relating to PUSH development.
3. The Appendix to this paper sets out those issues being handled by the Working Group and Theme Groups that are likely to require consideration by the Joint Committee at its meetings in the remainder of this municipal year, 2007-8. Inevitably other business may arise, but these items are expected to form the core agenda for forthcoming meetings.

## **ISSUES & IMPLICATIONS**

4. There is inevitably a weight of important matters to come before the Committee at its January and March meetings in particular. This arises partly as certain key studies undertaken in 2007/8 are completed and their findings and implications require decisions over future action. Wherever possible, interim reports are scheduled for information one meeting ahead of the meeting at which decisions will be required. The work programme will be updated on a rolling basis for each meeting of the Committee.
5. Because of the complex process informing the preparation of the PUSH Business Plan, and the resulting timetable issues, it is being proposed that an additional, 'extraordinary' meeting of the Joint Committee should be scheduled in February solely to consider the final draft of the Business Plan.

## **CONCLUSION & RECOMMENDATION**

6. The Committee is invited
  - a) to APPROVE the draft work programme for the remainder of 2007/8; and
  - b) to AGREE to the scheduling of an additional meeting in February to consider the Business Plan.

**Background Papers: -**

**Reference Papers:** [DRAFT WORK PROGRAMME – APPENDIX A](#)

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