



Report to the Partnership for South Hampshire Joint Committee

Date: **14 October 2019**

Report of: **Paddy May, PFSH Coordinator**

Subject: **PFSH CO-ORDINATOR'S REPORT**

SUMMARY

The Co-ordinator's report provides an opportunity for issues which are significant, but do not justify a full report in their own right, to be brought to the attention of the Joint Committee for decision or for information. The report is divided into Parts A and B accordingly.

RECOMMENDATIONS

It is RECOMMENDED that the Joint Committee NOTES the matters for Information outlined in Part B of this report.

PART A: MATTERS FOR DECISION

There are no Part A items

PART B: MATTERS FOR INFORMATION

1) Governance

- 1.1 When the Joint Committee previously considered governance issues (June 2019) it was agreed that rather than Joint Committee deciding how scrutiny should work it should be up to the Overview & Scrutiny to sort out arrangements for themselves. Cllr Glass, the new Chairman of Overview & Scrutiny, set up a special meeting on 13th August 2019 to consider what the approach should be. Overview & Scrutiny agreed that they would move from retrospective scrutiny of Joint Committee reports to looking at reports before the meeting of Joint Committee. A summary of each agenda item is sent to Members of Overview & Scrutiny and the final Joint Committee report is available before the actual meeting. This enables the forward scrutiny to take place. They also agreed that the Chairman of Overview & Scrutiny would attend Joint Committee (when appropriate) to feedback the committee views on agenda items to the Joint Committee. This is the first meeting where Overview & Scrutiny will have undertaken this forward scrutiny of Joint Committee reports.
- 1.2 At the meeting of New Forest National Park Authority (NFNPA) Board on 29 August, the Board agreed to accept the invitation from PfSH to become members. The Chairman, and Deputy Chairman - Oliver Crosthwaite-Eyre and Patrick Heneghan respectively, were nominated to represent the Authority interchangeably at Joint Committee meetings. Discussions will take place with Alison Barnes, the NFNPA Chief Executive, about the formal arrangements that need to be made to ensure representation at PfSH meetings.

2) Planning & Infrastructure

2.1 Statement of Common Ground

- 2.1.1 An update on progress towards developing a PfSH-wide Statement of Common Ground and regional 'vision' is included on the main agenda for the Joint Committee Meeting

2.2 Strategic Recreation and Mitigation Partnership (Bird Aware) Key Performance Indicators (KPIs)

- 2.2.1 The focus of the Rangers activities is different during the summer months to the winter season owing to the birds not being present on the coastline during the summer. During the period of 1 July - 31 August their outreach activities can be shown as:

Events attended - 12

Events Engagement Hours - 87

People Engaged with - 1385

2.2.2 During the same period, the brand and communications lead has also created several media opportunities and continued to grow our social media presence as follows:

- % growth of social media followers on each platform since last update
 - Twitter – 32 – 3%
 - Facebook – 47 – 6%
 - Instagram – 29 – 7%
- Impressions (number of times seen) for each social media platform
 - Twitter – 115.9k
 - Facebook – 34,735
 - Instagram – 10,417
- Number of posts on social media
 - Twitter - 148
 - Facebook - 73
 - Instagram posts and stories – 31
- Press releases
 - 1 each month
- The number of web stories uploaded
 - 4 added to the section 'Blog'

2.3 Water Management

2.3.1 An update on progress towards developing a strategy for achieving nutrient neutrality for new housing development across the PfSH region is included on the main agenda for Joint Committee 14 October.

2.4 Green Infrastructure

2.4.1 A meeting was held with the Chairman of the Bishop's Waltham to Botley Bridleway Project Working Group in August to discuss how the scheme can be taken forward. A further meeting will take place in December. The project is one of the schemes outlined in the Green Infrastructure Implementation Plan that was agreed at the Joint Committee 4 June. The issue that remains is how this scheme can be funded although it is clearly an important access route to green infrastructure for local communities

3) Update from Culture, Creative Industries and the Built Environment

3.1 The following update has been provided by the PfSH panel lead on this workstream.

3.2 Solent Design awards

3.2.1 The public vote went live and will be completed 4 October. Final judging will take place in parallel - and so results are expected to be announced later in the

month. A copy of the Solent Design Awards press release announcing the voting opportunity has been posted on the PfSH website in support.

3.3 Hampshire Chamber of Commerce

3.3.1 David Joel president Hampshire Chamber of Commerce has taken over from Marian Frost as Chairman of Creative Network South.

3.4 Local Industrial Strategy

3.4.1 Work to integrate the contribution of the creative economy into the Solent LEP local industrial strategy (economic strategy) is ongoing. PWC is drafting a sector report which is expected to be released shortly.

3.5 Digital Apprenticeships

3.5.1 [Creative Network South](#) and local providers have met with the [Solent Apprenticeship Hub](#), which has agreed to promote take up of digital apprentices. Initial focus will be on digital marketing, digital content production and event management. A further meeting on 20 September looked in to how an initiative might be launched and promoted.

3.6 Business Support

3.6.1 Creative Network South is working to develop a triangulated approach to providing creative industries sector specific business support. [Creative Growth Southampton](#) is offering support to businesses and freelancers drawn across the PfSH area.

4) Energy and the Green Economy

4.1 A number of PfSH Local Authorities have declared Climate Emergencies. In line with the PfSH business plan this is an area of work that PfSH wishes to be more engaged with. An officer meeting on how this might best be taken forward is scheduled for October and a report is planned to be taken to the December Joint Committee.

It is RECOMMENDED that the Joint Committee NOTES the matters for Information outlined in Part B of this report

Background Papers:

- None

Reference Papers:

- None

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