



# **Report to the Partnership for South Hampshire Overview and Scrutiny Committee**

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Subject: **STATEMENT OF COMMON GROUND**

## **SUMMARY**

This report provides a brief summary of the report to Joint Committee that gives an update on progress towards the Statement of Common Ground (SoCG).

## **RECOMMENDATION**

It is RECOMMENDED that the Overview & Scrutiny Committee NOTES the contents of the report and consider any comments to be passed to the Joint Committee for consideration.

## **INTRODUCTION**

1. The Joint Committee agreed a draft framework for the Statement of Common Ground (SoCG) at its meeting in October 2019. The report set out a broad, draft timetable for the five workstreams that were included in the draft framework for the SoCG.

## **BACKGROUND AND SUMMARY**

2. The production of the SoCG will facilitate the review of the Spatial Position Statement (2016) and the production of a new Joint Strategy. A programme of work is underway, and the Joint Committee will consider a short update report on progress.
3. In particular the report notes:
  - A workshop for leaders and chief executives has been arranged and will take place after the meeting of Joint Committee 10 February
  - Draft tender briefs have been produced for the Strategic Development Opportunity Area (SDOA) assessments and traffic impact assessment and modelling
  - The Planning Officers Group has undertaken technical work on identifying potential SDOAs
  - Progress has been slower for the economic, employment and commercial needs (including logistics) study, due to the need to understand the strategies and economic growth rates proposed by the Local Economic Partnerships (which will be contained in draft local economic strategies – expected in March)
  - PfSH representatives have now held introductory meetings with all local planning authorities and key partner organisations that will participate in joint working on the new Joint Strategy.

## **JOINT COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION**

Overview and Scrutiny Members are asked to note that the Joint Committee will be asked to NOTE the progress made on the Statement of Common Ground set out in this report.

**Background Papers:** None

**Reference Papers:** None

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