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Part A – Items considered in public

A4	Winchester Excavations Committee - Request for Funding (DD13)	<p>1. That an offer of a grant totalling £20,000 to the Winchester Excavations Committee (WEC) be approved, subject to the following terms:</p> <p>a) A grant funding agreement is entered into between Winchester City Council and WEC. The Council's grant funding agreement will stipulate that there is no repeat or additional funding during the grant agreement period from the City Council.</p> <p>b) The funding is to be</p>	To support a one-off grant funding contribution to the Winchester Excavations Committee to support the continued publication of, and expanded public engagement in, the Winchester Studies.	<p>Three options were considered following the request for funding support from Winchester Excavations committee:</p> <p>a) Do not fund at all. The desire to widen public access and interest in this work, whilst important, is not the main remit of WEC which is to publish the Winchester Studies. Additional support is needed to develop this area of activity. Therefore this option was rejected.</p> <p>b) Contribute a lower level of funding over a shorter</p>
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		<p>paid in four equal amounts of £5,000 p.a. each in the financial years 2020/21; 2021/22; 2022/23 and 2023/24.</p> <p>c) Grant funding payment will be paid annually as above on receipt of an activity completion report outlining how the funding outcomes have been met.</p> <p>d) This grant funding is subject to agreement on free or low cost online access and the finalisation of online access charging is delegated to the Corporate Head of Engagement in consultation with the</p>		<p>period. Ad hoc and one off events and engagements do not help deepen interest in this work as they do not afford the ability to develop meaningful relationships and interactions with the public. This option was also rejected.</p> <p>c) Provide a phased contribution of £20,000 over four years (£5Kp.a). This is the recommended option as it provides sustained backing needed for the Winchester Excavations Committee to continue publication of the volumes and increase the interest in the Winchester Studies.</p>

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		<p>Leader.</p> <p>2. That the Service Lead – Legal be authorised to negotiate heads of terms and relevant documentation to enter into a grant funding agreement between Winchester Excavations Committee and the Council which provides the grant terms and conditions, inclusive of: project delivery milestones and timeframes, and clawback arrangements.</p>		<p>The one-off support does not create a sense of dependency on the Council to fund future publications, but does demonstrate the wish to support this important body of work.</p>
A5	Crawley Village Design Statement - Authorisation to Consultation Process (DD9)	1. That the public consultation process for the Crawley Village	To receive authorisation to undertake public consultation with a view to adopting the Crawley Village Design	The City Council encourages the production of Village Design Statements by local communities, so as to

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		<p>Design Statement be approved.</p> <p>2. That the Strategic Planning Manager is granted delegated authority to make minor factual corrections and editing, in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Built Environment and Wellbeing, to finalise the Design Guidelines/Policies in the Crawley Village Design Statement, prior to consultation.</p> <p>3. That the Strategic Planning Manager is granted delegated authority to undertake</p>	<p>Statement as a Supplementary Planning Document (SPD).</p> <p>Village Design Statements are produced by local communities and provide guidance for the design of new developments within the local area. In order for these documents to carry weight in the planning decision-making process they need to be adopted by the City Council as SPD's.</p> <p>Across the Winchester district there are over 25 parishes/communities with adopted village/neighbourhood or local design statements, many of which were adopted sometime ago. A handful of communities have</p>	<p>improve the quality of development in local area and public involvement in the planning process. In order to carry weight in determining planning applications, such Statements need to be adopted by the City Council as Supplementary Planning Documents (SPDs).</p> <p>An alternative to formal adoption as SPD would be for the Council to informally adopt or endorse the VDS. However, an informally adopted document would carry less weight in determining planning applications, as the formal adoption processes – including the public consultation - required of SPD would not have been followed and this approach is</p>
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		the consultation process on the Crawley Village Design Statement and report back to Cabinet.	undertaken an update of their design statements and this is to be welcomed, as this will provide more up to date guidance when determining planning applications.	therefore not considered appropriate for Village Design Statements.
A6	Micheldever Parish Village Design Statement - Authorisation to Consultation Process (DD10)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. That the public consultation process be approved for the Micheldever Village Design Statement. 2. That the Strategic Planning Manager is granted delegated authority to make minor factual corrections and editing, in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Built Environment and Wellbeing, to finalise the Design 	<p>To receive authorisation to undertake public consultation with a view to adopting the Micheldever Village Design Statement as a Supplementary Planning Document (SPD).</p> <p>Village Design Statements are produced by local communities and provide guidance for the design of new developments within the local area. In order for these documents to carry weight in the planning decision-making process they need to be adopted by the City Council</p>	<p>The City Council encourages the production of Village Design Statements by local communities, so as to improve the quality of development in local area and public involvement in the planning process. In order to carry weight in determining planning applications, such Statements need to be adopted by the City Council as Supplementary Planning Documents (SPDs).</p> <p>An alternative to formal adoption as SPD would be for the Council to informally</p>

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		<p>Guidelines/Policies in the Micheldever Village Design Statement, prior to consultation.</p> <p>3. That the Strategic Planning Manager is granted delegated authority to undertake the consultation process on the Micheldever Village Design Statement and report back to Cabinet</p>	<p>as SPD's.</p> <p>Across the Winchester district there are over 25 parishes/communities with adopted village/neighbourhood or local design statements, many of which were adopted sometime ago. A handful of communities have undertaken an update of their design statements and this is to be welcomed, as this will provide more up to date guidance when determining planning applications.</p>	<p>adopt or endorse the VDS. However, an informally adopted document would carry less weight in determining planning applications, as the formal adoption processes – including the public consultation - required of SPD would not have been followed and this approach is therefore not considered appropriate for Village Design Statements.</p>
A7	St Giles Hill Neighbourhood Design Statement - Authorisation to Consultation Process (DD11)	<p>1. That the public consultation process for the St Giles Hill Neighbourhood Design Statement be approved.</p> <p>2. That the Strategic</p>	<p>To receive authorisation to undertake public consultation with a view to adopting the St Giles Hill Neighbourhood Design Statement as a Supplementary Planning Document (SPD).</p>	<p>The City Council encourages the production of Village Design Statements by local communities, so as to improve the quality of development in local area and public involvement in the</p>

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		<p>Planning Manager is granted delegated authority to make minor factual corrections and editing, in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Built Environment and Wellbeing, to finalise the Design Guidelines/Policies in the St Giles Village Design Statement, prior to consultation.</p> <p>3. That the Strategic Planning Manager is granted delegated authority to undertake the consultation process on the St Giles Village Design Statement and</p>	<p>Neighbourhood Design Statements are produced by local communities and provide guidance for the design of new developments within the local area. In order for these documents to carry weight in the planning decision-making process they need to be adopted by the City Council as SPD's.</p> <p>Across the Winchester district there are over 25 parishes/communities with adopted village/neighbourhood or local design statements, many of which were adopted sometime ago. A handful of communities have undertaken an update of their design statements and this is to be welcomed, as this will provide more up to date</p>	<p>planning process. In order to carry weight in determining planning applications, such Statements need to be adopted by the City Council as Supplementary Planning Documents (SPDs).</p> <p>An alternative to formal adoption as SPD would be for the Council to informally adopt or endorse the VDS. However, an informally adopted document would carry less weight in determining planning applications, as the formal adoption processes – including the public consultation - required of SPD would not have been followed and this approach is therefore not considered appropriate for Village Design Statements.</p>
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