

Report to:	Place, Regeneration and Housing Committee
Date:	7 February 2022
Subject:	Forward Agenda 2022
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Is this a key decision?		⊠ No
Is the decision eligible for call-in by Scrutiny?		🗆 No
Does the report contain confidential or exempt information or appendices?		⊠ No
If relevant, state paragraph number of Schedule 12A, Local Government Act 1972, Part 1:		
Are there implications for equality and diversity?		□ No

# 1. Purpose of this report

1.1 To recommend the business agenda for this Committee during 2022.

#### 2. Information

2.1 The key purpose of the Committee is to support, enable and provide scrutiny on progress on place, regeneration and housing policy development and programme delivery. This purpose informs the business agenda proposed for 2022.

#### Business Agenda for 2022

- 2.2 All meetings of the Committee will take standing items providing delivery updates and capital approvals. It is proposed that in addition the Committee will take policy items themed around the areas of influence of the Committee. It is proposed that the agendas for the year ahead cover:
  - Brownfield Land and Regeneration
  - One Public Estate and Repurposing of Land
  - Securing Design Quality / Inclusivity through Design
  - Affordable Housing Delivery and Housing Retrofit
  - Spatial Priority Areas and Delivery Models

• Digital Infrastructure

## 3. Tackling the Climate Emergency Implications

3.1 Tackling the climate emergency will be a cross-cutting theme of the Committees activity for the year ahead. The Committee will have a particular focus on retrofit and enabling delivery of sustainable homes. The Combined Authority's approach to tackling the climate emergency is set out in the West Yorkshire Climate and Environment Plan.

# 4. Inclusive Growth Implications

4.1 It is crucial that we tackle inequality in West Yorkshire. Our policy and investment programmes must achieve better outcomes for our most excluded and deprived groups and communities. Inclusive growth goals and outcomes will be included in the project programmes and policies that are brought to Committee.

## 5. Equality and Diversity Implications

5.1 Place-based policy and programmes should be equitable and not be at the expense of any groups or communities. To that extent equality and diversity implications and solutions will be cross cutting and integrated into the detailed development and delivery of the work of the Committee. All delivery proposals will be subject to Equality Impact Assessments.

# 6. Financial Implications

6.1 The priorities of the Mayor and West Yorkshire Combined authority are set out in the West Yorkshire Investment Strategy. The West Yorkshire Combined Authority and wider partnership is committed to securing the funding needed to advance these priorities. The work of this committee is aligned to Investment Priority 3 Creating Great Places and Accelerated Infrastructure. This investment priority will need to be appropriately resourced with the right capital and revenue and investment in skills and capacity to lead actions.

#### 7. Legal Implications

7.1 There are no legal implications directly arising from this report.

# 8. Staffing Implications

8.1 The are no staffing implication directly arising from this report. The activity outlined will be resourced through existing Combined Authority staff and Committee members time.

#### 9. External Consultees

9.1 No external consultations have been undertaken.

# 10. Recommendations

10.1 That the Committee considers and approves the proposed business agenda for the year 2022.

# 11. Background Documents

11.1 There are no background documents referenced in this report.

## 12. Appendices

None.