

STRATEGIC INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE MEETING

3 MARCH 2020

10am- 12:30pm

Online Meeting

AGENDA

Item	Time	Subject/ Title	Presenter(s)	Actions / Recommendations	Documents
1.	10:00	Welcome, Apologies and Declarations of Interest	John Sutcliffe	Record Declarations of Interest	-
2.	10:05	Review of Infrastructure Summary	John Sutcliffe	To identify any key documents/groups not captured on the summary	Infrastructure Summary
3.	10:15	Transport across Dorset	Kate Tunks (Manager for Infrastructure and Assets, Dorset Council) and Julian McLaughlin (Director of Growth and Infrastructure, BCP Council)		
4.	10:35	Housing across Dorset	Mike Garrity (Head of Planning, Dorset Council) and Nick Perrins (Head of Planning and Building Control, BCP Council)		
5.	10:55	Digital across Dorset	Dugald Lockhart (Programme Manager, Superfast Dorset, Dorset Council) and Adrian Hale (Smart City, Transport & 5G Strategic Planning, BCP Council)		
6.	11:15	Green Infrastructure – Local Nature Partnership	Luke Rake, Chair Dorset Local Nature Partnership		
7.	11:35	Energy Update	Corrina Osborne		
8.	11:40	Discussion	John Sutcliffe		
9.	12:15	Agree standing agenda items / future work plan	John Sutcliffe	To agree any standing agenda items/ future work plan	
10.	12:25	Any other business	All		-

Next meeting: 24 June 2021 10:00-12:00

Transport

- **LIS ambition:** Roads- Unlocking well-known and historic blockages on major strategic routes will be further enhanced with a network of effective transport hubs. These hubs will prioritise a rapid move to new ways of propulsion such as electric charging, and offer residents the option to share private transportation or use smart public transport. This will be underpinned with One Strategic Sustainable Transport Plan for Dorset. Rail - Existing rail services will be improved with increased capacity and frequency. Learning from other places/cities Dorset will study how rail can move to lower carbon emissions and become more resilient.
- **Key documents:** Bournemouth, Poole & Dorset Local Transport Plan 2011-2026. It states: Our vision is for a safe, reliable and accessible low carbon transport system for Bournemouth, Poole and Dorset that assists in the development of a strong low carbon economy, maximises the opportunities for sustainable transport and respects and protects the area's unique environmental assets. Five key goals will guide our approach to transport in Dorset: 1. Supporting economic growth 2. Tackling climate change 3. Equality of opportunity 4. Better safety, security and health 5. Improved quality of life.
- **Strategic transport leads:** Western Gateway Sub-National Transport Body (alliance of eight Local Authorities and one Combined Authority that have committed to work together to drive innovation, facilitate the transition to a decarbonised transport system, maximise economic growth and improve industrial productivity by strengthening travel connections to local, national and international markets). Connected Dorset now established as a SIC sub-group focused on Transport.
- **Local contacts:** Jim Stewart (Dorset LEP Board Member) Chairs the Western Gateway Sub-national Transport Body. Kate Tunks (Manager for Infrastructure and Assets, Dorset Council) and Julian McLaughlin (Director of Growth and Infrastructure, BCP Council).
- **Strategic Infrastructure Committee:** Kate and Julian will attend the March meeting to give an overview of plans and strategy related to transport in Dorset. Connected Dorset will meet from April and minutes fed up to SIC.

Housing

- **LIS ambition:** Pursuing models of 'better living for all': Identifying and enabling better levels of 'quality of life' with 'quality of work' and addressing the fundamental challenges such as affordable housing to make it happen. Accelerate new housing: Co-ordinating support activity and tactics that accelerate key new housing projects and builds local commercial and industry based opportunities in the form of supply chain capability or commercial premises – streamlining connectivity and local inclusion. Aligning this with Transforming Cities Fund projects.
- **Key documents:** BCP Local Plan in development. Dorset Council Plan 2019.
- **Strategic housing leads:** there are no groups specifically for this, however Local Authorities working with Homes England on this following a recent presentation to the Dorset LEP Board.
- **Local contacts:** Mike Garrity (Head of Planning, Dorset Council) and Nick Perrins (Head of Planning and Building Control, BCP Council).
- **Strategic Infrastructure Committee:** Mike and Nick will attend the March meeting to give an overview of plans and strategy related to housing in Dorset.

Green Infrastructure

- **LIS ambition:** encompasses quotes in all other boxes. Plus:
- Developing productivity 'impact' environmental and natural carbon initiatives: Working with leading stakeholders including Local Nature Partnership and Local Government to identify mechanisms to raise competitiveness in the foundation economy and reduce the regional productivity gap through:
 - Climate change and clean growth: Supporting demonstration projects to meet carbon reduction targets by investment in renewable technology, nature-based solutions, (such as natural flood management and habitat restoration to store carbon), improved processes and use of natural and local materials.
 - Develop a nature recovery network, mapping existing wildlife sites and habitats and highlighting where economic development can best contribute to nature's recovery.
 - Water resources: Investments into pollution reduction (e.g. nutrients and pharmaceuticals) can greatly decrease costs and improve productivity in industries such as brewing and water supply. ○ Local produce: Supporting local rural business to increase productivity by reducing costs and carbon footprint as a result of developing a local market for produce - from timber to food and drink.
 - Using a circular economy approach: Improving opportunities for local purchasing, local food production, local construction material, local drink production, local art production to thrive and secure local supply chain contracts.
 - Enhanced staff wellbeing: Support productivity through improved staff health and wellbeing and population health through access to natural and culturally based initiatives.
- **Key documents:** South East Dorset Green Infrastructure Strategy (2011). Also Dorset Local Nature Partnership (LNP) A Vision & Strategy for enhancing 'natural value' in Dorset.
- **Strategic green infrastructure leads:** Dorset LNP.
- **Local contacts:** Luke Rake (Chair of Dorset LNP and Dorset LEP Board member).
- **Strategic Infrastructure Committee:** Luke will attend the March meeting to give an overview of plans and strategy related to green infrastructure in Dorset.

Digital

- **LIS ambition:** Digital -Complete the rollout of superfast coverage with enhanced ultrafast in economic hot spots. Rural areas will be serviced with a suite of complementary technology to ensure speeds are increased. Dorset will press for 5G to ensure all communities will benefit, regardless of location. Business supports will promote and engage businesses to understand and maximise the digital potential of connectivity.
- **Key documents:** Dorset Councils Partnership: Digital Strategy (2018), Dorset Council Plan 2019.
- **Strategic digital infrastructure leads:** there are no groups specifically for this but there are dedicated roles within the Local Authorities.
- **Local contacts:** Dugald Lockhart (Programme Manager, Superfast Dorset, Dorset Council) and Adrian Hale (Smart City, Transport & 5G Strategic Planning, BCP Council).
- **Strategic Infrastructure Committee:** Dugland and Adrian will attend the March meeting to give an overview of plans and strategy related to digital in Dorset.

Energy

- **LIS ambition:** Energy - Micro-power (renewable) generation in 'growth zones' and consideration of renewable energy sources at scale on land and at sea. Dorset has a huge opportunity to create economic growth through energy. The unused (to date) DNO connections to roll out solar and wind that have thus far been underutilised allowing for the greening of energy at a significant scale. This in the end not only allows for lower carbon but most importantly decreases the cost in production and service delivery ... real cost saving that increases productivity and increases competitiveness.
- **Key documents:** South West Energy Strategy, Bournemouth, Dorset & Poole Renewable Energy Strategy to 2020.
- **Strategic energy infrastructure leads:** there are no groups specifically for this.
- **Strategic Infrastructure Committee:** recommend working group established.