

Review of O&S Member Task Groups

There have been five Member Task Groups in operation throughout the 2023-2024 year. The below give further detail on each.

(1) **Pedestrianisation -**

Chaired by Cllr Norman, this Task Group was created in September 2023 with its first meeting taking place in January 2024. They met once in the 2023-2024 municipal year, to hear feedback on the trial pedestrianisation rollout and implementation from members of the public, and once so far in the 2024-2025 municipal year to question the Cabinet member.

Membership: Cllrs Norman, Cross, Coe, Bragger, Ashton

(2) **Lichfield City Centre Masterplan**

Chaired by Cllr Ball, this Task Group was created in May 2021 and met five times during the 2023/24 municipal year. The outcomes of this group to date is to consider the design code, address items 'to be agreed' on the Birmingham Road Site, examine the approach to affordable homes in the city centre.

Membership: Cllrs Ball, Hughes, Harvey-Coggins, Cross, Checkland, Ray, J. Smith and Whitehouse

(3) **New Leisure Centre**

Chaired by Cllr Leung, this Task Group was created in April 2020 but due to the nature of the project is still meeting. They met three times in the 2023-2024 municipal year. Their work has led to a review of the traffic plan with county council; identification that additional toilet facility options would need to be explored to accommodate the community room and café; construction procurement and updates to the Cost Plan.

Membership: Cllrs Leung, Robertson, Ray, P. Taylor, Vernon and Yeates.

(4) **Civic Matrix - CONCLUDED**

Chaired by Cllr Robertson, this Task Group was formed by O&S to examine the Civic Matrix and recommend improvements following the Civic Matrix Review presented to committee at the September 2023 meeting of O&S. They met once in 2023-2024 and concluded their work within this meeting, presenting a new points-based scoring mechanism to committee.

Membership: Cllrs Robertson, Ball, Checkland, J. Smith, Vernon and Woodward.

(5) **Climate Emergency**

Chaired by Cllr Norman, this group met once during the 2023/24 municipal year to question the Cabinet member and review the councils Carbon Reduction Action Plan. The Task Group made requests to the Cabinet member, including district council support for parish councils calculating their own carbon footprint and information about ways to improve the heating system of Lichfield District Council House. The task group obtained confirmation that the amendment to a motion approved at Full Council in October 2020 would not preclude the application for a heat network delivery unit being made by Shenstone.

Membership: Cllrs Norman, Robertson, Powell and Ho. Mike Kinghan (external) and Pam Beale (external).