

Strategic Planning services end of the year report 2022 to 2023

Performance measure	Link to Corporate Plan priority	Target and reporting timescale	Baseline/output from 2021 to 2022	Owner and co-owners	Outcome or output 2022 to 2023
Play an active role in sub-regional strategic planning work, including attendance at Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Planning Policy Forum (every 6 weeks); contribute to Combined Authority strategic planning activities; oversee the Council's response to emerging Ox-Cam Arc spatial policy	Improving transport Housing Social and community infrastructure Cleaner, greener East Cambridgeshire	Ongoing, annually	Ongoing.	Strategic Planning Manager Senior Strategic Planning Officer	The service has contributed to a number of sub regional activities, including emerging Land Use Framework for Cambridgeshire. Attends all PPF meetings. Ox-Cam Arc initiative presently subject to a transition to a partnership basis.
Present to members in Spring 2022 the final proposals for a small partial update of the Local Plan 2015	Improving transport Housing Social and community infrastructure Cleaner, greener East Cambridgeshire	Undertake examination of the proposals – by end 2022; adopt the changes – by end of 2022 to 2023, annually	Local Plan adopted 2015. Draft stages on the partial update were undertaken during 202 to 2022.	Strategic Planning Manager	Examination of Local Plan update took place in 2022. Awaiting final decisions by Inspector. Timing out of the control of the Council.
Work with those communities wishing to undertake Neighbourhood Planning, ensure ECDC meets its statutory requirements (timing and demand uncertain, due to lead being parish councils)	Improving transport Housing Social and community infrastructure Cleaner, greener East Cambridgeshire	As required, annually	Advice regularly given to communities, and especially parish councils. 11 parish councils are already designated as Neighbourhood Areas, three of which have a 'made' (adopted) Neighbourhood Plan, and many others are well on the way to preparing a Plan.	Strategic Planning Manager	High levels of Neighbourhood Plan activity, with 3 more plans adopted (Haddenham and Aldreth, Isleham and Swaffham Bulbeck).

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Present to Operational Services Committee an updated 'Environment Plan', with a new set of Top 20 actions for 2022 to 2023, in June 2023; undertake activities to deliver those actions	Improving transport Housing Social and community infrastructure Cleaner, greener East Cambridgeshire	As identified, annually	Annual Environment Plans previously published in June 2020 and 2021.	Strategic Planning Manager Senior Natural Environment and Climate Officer	Environment Plan 2022 to 2023 adopted June 2022. Actions progressing.
Continually review all existing service web pages to ensure that only up to date, accurate and relevant information is live on the Council's website	Improving transport Housing Social and community infrastructure Cleaner, greener East Cambridgeshire	As required, annually	Thorough update took place in February 2019. Ongoing review since.	Strategic Planning Manager Senior Strategic Planning Officer	Website continually monitored for improvement and updating.
Publication of an Authority's Monitoring Report (AMR) and Five Year Land Supply Report covering period to 31 March 2022, which reports on the performance of the previous year in terms of planning matters (statutory item)	Improving transport Housing Social and community infrastructure Cleaner, greener East Cambridgeshire	By 31 December 2022, annually	AMR last published in December 2021.	Strategic Planning Manager Senior Strategic Planning Officer	AMR published December 2022.
Provide regular updates to members on the work of the Strategic Planning and Environment Strategy service and to provide an opportunity to work in partnership on key issues/areas of work	Improving transport Housing Social and community infrastructure Cleaner, greener East Cambridgeshire	As required, annually	Briefings as required.	Strategic Planning Manager Senior Strategic Planning Officer Natural Environment and Climate Officer	Regular updates, as necessary, on both planning policy matters and environment matters to Full Council, Finance and Assets Committee and Operational Services Committee, as appropriate. Between these meetings, timely email updates to all members on key issues are provided. For Neighbourhood Planning, Ward Members informed at each key stage.

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Regularly review higher level corporate risks including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • new legislation, impacting on work in progress • new legislation, resulting in a resource pressure to implement • status of policies within the Local Plan, resulting in resource implications, reputational risks, and unplanned for development • adaptation to climate change 	Improving transport Housing Social and community infrastructure Cleaner, greener East Cambridgeshire	Ongoing, annually	Ongoing.	Strategic Planning Manager Senior Strategic Planning Officer Natural Environment and Climate Officer	Large legislative programme, including Environment Act 2021 being enacted, and emerging 'Levelling Up' Bill, which has large volume of planning and environment related changes. The implications of these continued to be considered and managed. For example, Biodiversity Net Gain becoming mandatory late 2023, with member briefing at the November 2022 Finance and Assets Committee.
Lead on the preparation of, and subsequently help implementation of, the Council's Climate and Environment Action Plan	Cleaner, greener East Cambridgeshire	As identified, annually	Annual Environment Plans previously published in June 2020 and 2021.	Strategic Planning Manager Natural Environment and Climate Officer	Environment Plan 2022 to 2023 adopted June 2022. Actions progressing. Council achieved national 'Investors in the Environment' bronze accreditation in December 2022 (first authority in Cambridgeshire to do so).

