AGENDA ITEM NO. 9 TITLE: BURWELL MASTERPLAN CONSULTATION STRATEGY

Committee: Burwell Masterplan Working Party

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1.0 <u>ISSUE</u>

1.1 To consider the public consultation proposals for the development of the Burwell Masterplan.

2.0 <u>RECOMMENDATION(S)</u>

2.1 a) That the Working Party consider the Consultation Strategy proposals, amend as considered necessary, and approve as a guide for the Burwell Masterplan developmental work over the next year.

b) That the Working Party identifies key local stakeholders and consultees to be involved in the plan preparation process.

3.0 BACKGROUND

- 3.1 East Cambridgeshire District Council is committed to encouraging community involvement and has produced a "Statement of Community Involvement" to enable and encourage this.
- 3.2 One of the great successes of the Masterplans that have been produced to date has been the level of public involvement. Members of the public have reported that they particularly valued being consulted and involved at each stage of the process of plan development, rather than just being presented with a draft document to comment on at the end. The high level of community engagement throughout the process has resulted in strong support and community ownership of the existing Masterplans
- 3.3 The attached draft consultation strategy proposes public consultation at each stage of the Masterplan process, using a number of techniques to inform and feedback information and to consult and allow for participation, such as regular articles in the village newspaper, public exhibitions, questionnaires, workshops and open Working Party meetings.

4.0 CONSULTEES AND STAKEHOLDERS

4.1 The District Council has contact details for statutory bodies and those it is required to consult with through the planning process. However the Working

Party, as a result of their local knowledge, may be aware of local contacts such as land owners and key local groups and individuals with whom contact should be made during the Masterplan process. They will also have a better understanding of which communication methods might work best in the Burwell community.

- 4.2 The Working Party is asked to suggest any specific local contacts and communication methods.
- 5.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS/EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT
- 5.1 It is anticipated that much of the work will be carried out in-house, utilising the skills and experience officers have gained from producing the previous Masterplans. The cost of consultation and printing will be met from existing budgets.
- 5.2 An Equality Impact Assessment (INRA) will need to be carried out on the final Burwell Masterplan document.
- 6.0 <u>APPENDICES</u>
- 6.1 Burwell Masterplan Consultation Strategy

Background Documents	Location	Contact Officer
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APPENDIX 1

Burwell Masterplan – Draft Consultation Strategy

Item	Detail	Timescale
STAGE 1 – IDENTIFICATION OF ISSUES & OPPORTUNITIES (July 2011 – October 2011)		
	 Set up and continue to update database of public contact details for use for next phases of Burwell Masterplan consultation 	Ongoing
	 Set up and regularly update Burwell Masterplan webpage in ECDC website. 	Ongoing
 Working Party Meeting Elect Chair & Co-optees Review Terms of Reference Review initial consultation feedback Discussion on Issues Agree Work Programme and consultation strategy 	 Open to public - advertise date to local community via Burwell Bulletin and email to Burwell Mailing List Post meeting article in Burwell Bulletin giving update 	July 2011
 Review any sources of potential budget 	Circulate minutes to Burwell Mailing List	
 Working Party Meeting Receive desk top research results Agree village questionnaire 	 Open to public - advertise date to local community via Burwell Bulletin and email to Burwell Mailing List Post meeting article in Burwell Bulletin giving update 	W/c 5 th September 2011

	Circulate minutes to	
	Burwell Mailing List	4h 44
Issues consultation – What are the issues and opportunities?	 Questionnaire – to all households via Burwell Bulletin 	19 th – 30 th September 2011
	• Unmanned displays in village shops e.g. Co- op, butchers, school, sports centre, library, other community meeting points	
	 Local champions to distribute/collect questionnaires? 	
South Neighbourhood Panel Meeting	Attend Panel meeting to give update report	5 th October 2011
 Working Party Meeting Report back results of desk top research and issues consultation Identification of any emerging plan options 	Open to public - advertise date to local community via Burwell Bulletin and email to Burwell Mailing List	W/c 17th October 2011
	 Post meeting article in Burwell Bulletin giving update 	
	Circulate minutes to Burwell Mailing List	
STAGE 2 OPTIONS DEVELOPMENT (October 2011 – January 2012)		
Options development work- where do we want to be?	 Wider Community workshop approx 20 invitees to develop up options 	October 2011
 Working Party Meeting To approve options proposals for public consultation 	 Open to public - advertise date to local community via Burwell Bulletin and email to Burwell Mailing List 	W/c 28 th November 2011
	 Post meeting article in Burwell Bulletin giving update 	

Circulate minute Burwell Mailing	
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 ECDC Development & Transport Sub Committee Special meeting to approve public consultation material 	 Open to public - advertise date to local community via Burwell Bulletin and email to Burwell Mailing List Post meeting article in Burwell Bulletin giving update Circulate minutes to 	W/c 5 th December 2011 Special meeting TBA
	Burwell Mailing List	
Options Public Exhibition	 2 day manned exhibition, subject to budget availability for hiring hall, adverts etc. Questionnaire – all households via Burwell Bulletin 	9 th –23 rd January 2012
STAGE 3 – PLAN DEVELOPMENT (January 2012 – July 2012)		
 Working Party Meeting Review results from exhibition Decide on preferred options 	 Open to public - advertise date to local community via Burwell Bulletin and email to Burwell Mailing List Post meeting article in Burwell Bulletin giving update 	W/c 6 th February 2012
	Circulate minutes to Burwell Mailing List	
Working Party Meeting Drafts of plan approved 	 Open to public - advertise date to local community via Burwell Bulletin and email to Burwell Mailing List 	W/c 19 th March 2012
	 Post meeting article in Burwell Bulletin giving update Circulate minutes to 	

	Burwell Mailing List	
 Development & Transport Committee Sub Committee Report working party comments verbally Approves draft plan for consultation 	 Open to public - advertise date to local community via Burwell Bulletin and email to Burwell Mailing List Post meeting article in Burwell Bulletin giving update Circulate minutes to 	W/c 26 th March 2012 Special meeting TBA
Public Consultation period	 Burwell Mailing List Dissemination of information by poster, email etc 2 public drop in sessions 	23 rd April 2012 – 1 st June 2012
	 Questionnaire – all households via Burwell Bulletin 	
 Working Party Meeting Review results of public consultation Finalise draft plan and recommend to Development & Transport Sub Committee for approval 	 Open to public - advertise date to local community via Burwell Bulletin and email to Burwell Mailing List Post meeting article in Burwell Bulletin giving update 	Mid June 2012
	 Circulate minutes to Burwell Mailing List 	
 ECDC Development & Transport Sub Committee Review plan and recommend to Strategic Finance and Policy Committee for approval. 	 Open to public - advertise date to local community via Burwell Bulletin and email to Burwell Mailing List Post meeting article in Burwell Bulletin giving update 	Dates not yet set for these meetings Mid July 2012?
	Circulate minutes to Burwell Mailing List	

 Strategic Finance and Policy Committee Approve plan as long term vision and policy for Burwell 	 Open to public - advertise date to local community via Burwell Bulletin and email to Burwell Mailing List Post meeting article in Burwell Bulletin giving update Circulate minutes to Burwell Mailing List 	Dates not yet set for these meetings End July 2012?
 Full Council Adopt plan as long term vision and policy for Burwell 	 Open to public - advertise date to local community via Burwell Bulletin and email to Burwell Mailing List Post meeting article in Burwell Bulletin giving update Circulate minutes to Burwell Mailing List 	Dates not yet set for these meetings August 2012?