



# Strategic Planning & Environment

## Overview & Scrutiny

### Agenda

**TUESDAY 12 JANUARY 2016 AT 7.30 PM**

**DBC Bulbourne Room - Civic Centre**

The Councillors listed below are requested to attend the above meeting, on the day and at the time and place stated, to consider the business set out in this agenda.

#### Membership

Councillor G Adshead  
Councillor Anderson (Chairman)  
Councillor Ashbourn  
Councillor Bateman  
Councillor E Collins  
Councillor Fisher  
Councillor S Hearn

Councillor Hicks  
Councillor Howard  
Councillor Matthews  
Councillor Ransley  
Councillor Riddick  
Councillor C Wyatt-Lowe (Vice-Chairman)

#### **Substitute Members:**

Councillors Birnie, Link, McLean, Ritchie, R Sutton and Tindall

For further information, please contact Katie Mogan or Member Support

### **AGENDA**

- 11. HEMEL EVOLUTION UPDATE REPORT (Pages 2 - 4)**



## AGENDA ITEM: 6

### SUMMARY

<b>Report for:</b>	<b>Strategic Planning &amp; Environment Overview &amp; Scrutiny</b>
<b>Date of meeting:</b>	<b>12<sup>th</sup> January 2016</b>
<b>PART:</b>	<b>1</b>

<b>Title of report:</b>	<b>Hemel Evolution Update</b>
<b>Contact:</b>	Graham Sutton, Portfolio Holder for Planning and Regeneration  Author/Responsible Officer Chris Taylor/James Doe
<b>Purpose of report:</b>	To report on the progress on plans and delivery of the Hemel Evolution programme for the development and regeneration of Hemel Hempstead Town Centre.
<b>Recommendations</b>	That the report and presentation be noted.
<b>Corporate objectives:</b>	Regeneration Affordable Housing Dacorum Delivers
<b>Implications:</b>	<u>Financial</u>  There are no additional financial implications to this report as the program outlines capital that has already been approved.
<b>'Value For Money Implications'</b>	<u>Value for Money</u>
<b>Risk Implications</b>	Risk Assessments completed as part of individual projects
<b>Equalities Implications</b>	Equalities Impact Assessments completed as part of individual projects
<b>Health And Safety Implications</b>	
<b>Consultees:</b>	

Background papers:	Cabinet reports
Glossary of acronyms and any other abbreviations used in this report:	PH – Portfolio Holder  Hemel Evolution – the group name for a range of activities covering the delivery of the Town Centre Masterplan – This update includes; The Old Town, Marlowes Shopping Zone, Water Gardens and the Bus Station Interchange projects

## 1.0 Hemel Evolution Summary

The following summarises work on the town centre to date:

- **The Old Town:** one-way system with new paving and street furniture completed spring 2014
- **The Plough Zone:** new footpaths and street furniture in Heath Park completed October 2015 and the Plough roundabout benefitted from lighting improvements in October 2013.
- **Marlowes Shopping Zone:**
  - Pedestrianised Shopping Area and Bank Court works finished October 2015. Works included new paving, street furniture, trees and play-on-the-way planters together with a new events square; New Town Square with the rainbow stage to the south, a central sculpture with water jets and feature lighting, and an LED screen to the north. New paving continues through to Bank Court which leads to a new piazza style area with new planters and seating.
  - Bus Interchange and Waterhouse Street works finished December 2015. Works included delivery of a new taxi rank and bus interchange along Bridge Street and Marlowes.
- **Market Square:** the Council is working with its development partner Endurance Estates and RG Carter to deliver a leisure facility with a cinema and restaurants. Works are expected to start mid-2018.
- **Jellicoe Water Gardens:** works commenced August 2015 and will continue through to October 2016.
- **The Gade Zone:**
  - works on The Forum commenced in July 2015 and expect to finish January 2017
  - works on the housing wrapping around the Forum expect to start in 2018
  - the Health Centre are moving into Marlowes Business Centre

- Officers will be working with consultants to consider development options for the civic centre site.

2.0 A powerpoint and verbal presentation will be made at the meeting to update the Committee on recent and planned activities under the banner of the Hemel Evolution work to regenerate Hemel Hempstead Town Centre.