

Information/Discussion Paper

Overview and Scrutiny Committee - 3rd April 2014

The JCS and Planning Liaison scrutiny task group

This note contains the information to keep Members informed of matters relating to the work of the Committee, but where no decisions from Members are needed

1. Why has this come to scrutiny?

- 1.1 The committee requested an update and will have the opportunity to ask any questions of the chair, Councillor Tim Harman.

2. Summary of the Issue

- 2.1 The Planning and Liaison Scrutiny Task Group was initiated to provide scrutiny in regard to a single issue, this being the consideration of household formation rates. This task – finish piece of work was completed by the group and its findings were reported to the JCS Member Steering Group on 31 January 2013. The Member Steering Group thanked the Scrutiny Task Group for their hard work and accepted their recommendations which has fed into the formation of the strategy around Objectively Assessed Need which underpins the Gloucester, Cheltenham and Tewkesbury Joint Core Strategy (JCS). Following the completion of this work it was agreed that continued scrutiny of the JCS was important and that the role of the group should be extended to include scrutiny and support of the Cheltenham Plan. Outputs of the Scrutiny task Group have included:

2.2 Joint Core Strategy

- Feedback to CBC representatives on the JCS Member Steering Group on drafts of the JCS
- Providing framework for wider member engagement on JCS via member seminars
- Consideration of Objectively Assessed Need
- Overview of JCS outputs

2.3 Cheltenham Plan

- Agreement of programme

- Drafting of vision and objectives
- Agreement of Cheltenham Plan Scoping document
- Consideration of public consultation comments received to Cheltenham Plan Scoping document
- Consideration of Community Infrastructure Levy – early stages of preparation

Background Papers	None
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Scrutiny Function	Overview and Scrutiny