

Agenda item 3

For decision – Themed Town Matters Committee Agendas for 2017/18

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Summary

This report groups various parts of the 2017/18 work programme that sit under the broad remit described below. It allocates each of them to a specific Town Matters meeting through the year ahead. Each meeting will have a theme.

It is recommended that this theme based approach to future Town Matters Committee meeting is adopted.

This is how Standing Orders defines the remit of the Town Matters Committee.

The committee will:

1. *incur expenditure where it has an allocated budget provision*
2. *be responsible for promoting prosperity in the town in line with the Strategic Plan 2015-20*
3. *be responsible for promoting the regeneration of the town centre in line with the Strategic Plan 2015-20*
4. *be responsible for promoting the wellbeing and resilience of the community in line with the Strategic Plan 2015-20*
5. *oversee the Community Grants process including all multi-year funding arrangements that support third party organisations*

It is a very broad remit encompassing all of the wellbeing and prosperity pillars of the corporate strategy. To create meeting that are coherent and thematic, the individual items in the 2017/18 work programme have been grouped under one theme and will be timetabled for the following meetings. The list for each meeting appear quite long but many of the items will be grouped into workable agendas. Additional and/or unplanned items will be added to agendas as when required.

Agendas for the year ahead.

14 June:

- A. Towards a more environmentally sustainable town
 1. Reducing business waste
 2. Support the development of green business and promote how businesses can be greener

3. Reduction of carbon based energy use; increasing renewable energy
4. Towards a sustainable transport system
5. Reducing domestic waste and promotion of re-use, re-cycle etc (SHARE, Comm Fridge)

B. Supporting economic development

1. Economic Development Strategy
2. Results of the Town Centre bench marking project
3. Business breakfasts, Discuss and Do,
4. Promote a Business Improvement District
5. Promote the Good Business strategy
6. Support the development of micro businesses
7. Relationship with the Independent market.
8. Promoting the Wed and Sat and other markets in the town.

2 Aug: Developing the Health and Wellbeing agenda

1. Links to the health champions and health centre.
2. Including what's the 'health' bit of the new Health and Wellbeing direction. Including the development of the Health and Wellbeing Strategy. Links to other services
3. Support the performing arts (arts panel recommendations)
4. Support increased sporting activity (sports panel recommendations)
5. Presentations from Multi-year Agreement partners – CAB, Harry's Hydro and the Frome Carnival

27 Sept: Supporting individuals

1. Apprenticeships and training
2. Support Frome Reads
3. Promoting volunteering
4. Build opportunities for local people to support each other
5. Presentations from Multi-year Agreement partners – Active and in touch, Fair Frome and Mendip YMCA

15 Nov: Supporting community development

1. Knowing what Frome is (data and analysis of it)
2. Multi-year agreements (including feedback from recipients), Mayors Grants scheme and Crowdfunder
3. Community group training and support
4. External fundraising
5. Youth conference
6. Empty housing, including Fair Housing for Frome
7. Participatory Budgeting
8. The Saxonvale Project
9. Market Place Project
10. Presentations from Multi-year Agreement partners – Health Connections, Purple Elephant and Frome Community Education

Discussion on priority areas for 2018/19 including budgeting to take the work programme and budget forward to Council in

7 Feb 2018:

1. TBC
2. TBC

25 April 2018:

1. TBC
2. TBC

Recommendation

Adopt the thematic approach to future Committee meetings described above.