

<b>Report title</b>	Community Governance Review	
<b>Referring body</b>	Special Advisory Group, 16 February 2018	
<b>Councillor to present report</b>	Councillor Andrew Johnson	
<b>Wards affected</b>	All	
<b>Cabinet Member with lead responsibility</b>	Councillor Andrew Johnson Resources	
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<b>Report to be/has been considered by</b>	Special Advisory Group	16 February 2018

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**Recommendations for decision:**

The Council is recommended to:

1. Approve the action plan arising from the community governance review in 2017, taking on board the comments of the Special Advisory Group.
2. Formally close the citywide community governance review 2017 and deliver the action plan arising from it.

## 1.0 Purpose

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to recommend that Full Council formally closes the citywide community governance review and approve the action plan arising from the community governance review.

## 2.0 Background

- 2.1 On the 16 February 2018 Special Advisory Group agreed to recommend the report on Community Governance Review to Full Council for approval.

- 2.2 Copies of the report can be accessed online on the Council's website. [Click here to access the report.](#)

Councillors are asked to refer to the report when considering the recommendations from the Special Advisory Group.

- 2.3 Special Advisory Group recommended that:

1. The action plan arising from the community governance review be approved subject to the following comments being taken on board:
  - Involving Councillors more on where section 106 income is spent would go some way to fostering closer liaison between the Council and local community.
  - Where objectives in the action plan propose work with residents, the words 'and businesses' be added to the objective to ensure that, if it is not already taking place, similar engagement with the business community be introduced to obtain their views and facilitate their engagement in decision making and service delivery.
  - That the objective 'Consider a scrutiny review or task and finish group on Councillor engagement', be amended to '**Recommend** a scrutiny review.
  - A paper be submitted to a future meeting of the Advisory Group on draft rules for managing public questions at Council or other meetings.
  - Prior to the submission of a report to Cabinet on the development of an online 'community offer' to improve information and advice for residents, the report and proposals be submitted for pre-decision scrutiny.
2. Council formally closes the citywide community governance review and delivers the action plan arising from it.

## 3.0 Financial implications

- 3.1 The financial implications are detailed in the Special Advisory Group report of 16 February 2018.

## 4.0 Legal implications

- 4.1 The legal implications are detailed in the Special Advisory Group report of 16 February 2018.

## **5.0 Equalities implications**

5.1 The equalities implications are detailed in the Special Advisory Group report of 16 February 2018.

## **6.0 Environmental implications**

6.1 The environmental implications are detailed in the Special Advisory Group report of 16 February 2018.

## **7.0 Human resources implications**

7.1 The human resources implications are detailed in the Special Advisory Group report of 16 February 2018.

## **8.0 Corporate Landlord implications**

8.1 The Corporate Landlord implications are detailed in the Special Advisory Group report of 16 February 2018.

## **9.0 Schedule of background papers**

9.1 Special Advisory Group report - 16 February 2018.