



ADUR & WORTHING
COUNCILS

Key Decision [No]

Ward(s) Affected:N/A

Feedback from the Joint Strategic Committee (JSC) - Consideration of the Joint Overview and Scrutiny Committee (JOSC) review on the Adur and Worthing evening and night time economy

Report by the Director for Digital, Sustainability and Resources

Executive Summary

1. Purpose

- 1.1 This report provides the Committee with the response from the JSC on 6 December 2022 which considered the report from JOSC on its review of the Adur and Worthing evening and night time economies (ENTE).

2. Recommendations

- 2.1 That JOSC notes the formal response from the JSC consideration of the JOSC report on the review of the ENTE.

3. Context

- 3.1 As part of its Work Programme, JOSC undertook and completed a review of the Adur and Worthing ENTE in 2022, the findings and recommendations from which were reported to the JSC at its meeting on 6 December 2022.
- 3.2 JSC considered the findings and recommendations from the JOSC review of

the ENTE and has agreed to refer them to the relevant Adur and Worthing Cabinet Members (Adur Cabinet Member for Communities and Wellbeing and the Worthing Cabinet Member for Culture & Leisure) who have responsibility for this area of work, for consideration and action, the outcomes from which will be reported back to JOSC as part of the review of the ENTE which is included on the JOSC Work Programme.

4. Issues for consideration

- 4.1 JOSC is requested to note the outcomes and formal Executive response from the JSC to its report and to confirm how often it wishes to review the ENTE as part of its Work Programme - This is currently planned annually with the next report scheduled for March 2023.

5. Engagement and Communication

- 5.1 The JOSC Chairpersons and Vice-Chairpersons have been consulted on the proposals contained in this report.

6. Financial Implications

- 6.1 There are no direct financial implications to consider within this report.

7. Legal Implications

- 7.1 Under Section 111 of the Local Government Act 1972, the Councils have the power to do anything to facilitate or which is conducive or incidental to the discharge of any of their functions.
- 7.2 Section 1 of the Localism Act 2011 provides a Local Authority to do anything that individuals generally may do (subject to any current restrictions or limitations prescribed in existing legislation).
- 7.3 Section 3(1) of the Local Government Act 1999 (LGA 1999) contains a general duty on a best value authority to make arrangements to secure continuous improvement in the way in which its functions are exercised, having regard to a combination of economy, efficiency and effectiveness.

Background Papers

Reports to Joint Overview and Scrutiny Committee - March 2020, March 2022 and October 2022

Reports to Joint Strategic Committee - July and December 2022

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Sustainability and Risk Assessment

1. Economic

Matter considered. The issues contained in the Working Group report related to the economic recovery of the evening and night time economy.

2. Social

2.1 Social Value

Matter considered. An improved evening and night time economy will improve social value for the communities of Adur and Worthing and visitors to the towns and village centres.

2.2 Equality Issues

Matter considered and no significant issues identified.

2.3 Community Safety Issues (Section 17)

Matter considered. The report from the Working Group investigated public safety and other community safety issues.

2.4 Human Rights Issues

Matter considered and no significant issues identified.

3. Environmental

The report from the JOSC Working Group reviewed the environmental issues connected with the evening and night time economy and identified some issues to help climate change, air quality and encourage sustainability.

4. Governance

Matter considered. The JOSC Working Group was set up in accordance with the JOSC Procedure Rules and formed part of the agreed JOSC Work Programme. Recommendations from the review were presented to the Joint Strategic Committee for consideration and in order provide a formal Executive response.