Overview & Scrutiny Recommendation Response Pro forma

Under section 9FE of the Local Government Act 2000, Overview and Scrutiny Committees must require the Cabinet or local authority to respond to a report or recommendations made thereto by an Overview and Scrutiny Committee. Such a response must be provided within two months from the date on which it is requested and, if the report or recommendations in questions were published, the response also must be so.

This template provides a structure which respondents are encouraged to use. However, respondents are welcome to depart from the suggested structure provided the same information is included in a response. The usual way to publish a response is to include it in the agenda of a meeting of the body to which the report or recommendations were addressed.

Issue: S.106 Improvement Programme

Lead Cabinet Member(s): Cllr Judy Roberts, Cabinet member for Place, Environment, and Climate Action

Date response requested:² 17 June 2025

Response to report:

Response to recommendations:

Recommendation	Accepted, rejected	Proposed action (if different to that recommended) and indicative timescale (unless rejected)
	or partially accepted	
That the Council should include more detail of contractual agreements, including trigger points for funding release, within the s.106 dashboard.	Accepted	The first Members' dashboard release was June 25 th . The project team will continue to develop the dashboard further to include requirements not delivered in release one due to data or technical limitations, alongside delivery of new requirements such as those requested here. The next release is due 23 rd September.

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2.	That the Council should include information within the dashboard linking projects to LTCP targets, including modal share.	Partially Accepted	.Projects can be linked to key LTCP policies, and it can be noted that schemes contribute towards meeting 'Targets'. It is not possible to quantify modal share driven by any scheme.
3.	That the Council should prioritise dataset integration to enhance the dashboard's capabilities.	Accept	As part of the first dashboard release the project integrated the project and programme management system with the planning system. At the same time the project created the ability to integrate with the pre-delivery application—a new application being developed as part of the project—and the council's capital programme budget and spend dataset. For release 2, the project aims to finalise these integrations to enhance the dashboard.
4.	That the Council should ensure that there is sufficient officer resource to be represented at developer fora.	Accept	The S106 improvement programme is helping to inform the current organisation restructures.
5.	That the Council should publish milestones and targets for its Key Performance Indicators related to the s.106 Improvement Project.	Accept	Head of Regulatory Planning and Enforcement is currently working with the Performance and Insight Team to develop corporate KPIs for reporting levels of negotiation and spend against target.
6.	That the Council should continue to explore the benefits of Local Development Orders and whether they should be used more widely.	Accept	Local Development Orders are cross authority instruments and not part of the section 106 review work. This authority works proactively with developers and districts through LDO proposals and are supportive where they are appropriate.
7.	That the Council should celebrate the learning that has arisen from the s.106 Improvement Project and disseminate it across the organisation.	Accept	The Programme Lead/Manager is in discussion with the Corporate Transformation Programme Office to explore opportunities of sharing this and other ongoing programmes.