

Terms of reference and scope

Membership

The Working Group will comprise of:

4 councillors appointed at Full Council Meeting (the Chair of Council is an ex officio member);

Stakeholders including EBC will be kept apprised and invited to join on an ad hoc basis as required;

The Clerk and Interim Officer; and

Other members with relevant background and experience will join as necessary, these may include members of the public.

Objective

The outcome of this Working Group is to make recommendations to Full Council regarding the transfer of various community assets from Eastleigh Borough Council (“EBC”) and/or any other body (including but not limited to Hampshire County Council and the Crown) to Hamble Parish Council (“HPC”) as part of the local government devolution and reorganisation. Full Council may ask the Working Group to consider or explore some other specific issues.

Aims

To monitor events and report back with concerns and opportunities as and when they arise.

To consider potential risks and liabilities that might arise through the process and report back.

To consider the best interests of the Parish and its community when deciding on whether or not to accept the transfer of specific community assets.

Meetings

The Group will be free to arrange meetings as and when necessary and these will take place in person or online, whichever proves most efficient.

Documentation

There is no need to publish an Agenda but notes of the meeting will be taken and reported to Full Council.

Accountability

The Working Group has no decision-making powers delegated to it. It can make recommendations to Committees and Council as needed.

Key areas of work:

Review the background to the local government devolution and reorganisation framework and consider the briefing notes and guidance provided from time to time by EBC, Hampshire County Council and/or other governmental bodies.

Review the list of registered titles for property owned by EBC which are located in Hamble Parish (including but not limited to land and buildings) and recommend to Full Council those to be transferred.

Review any property owned by any other body (including but not limited to Hampshire County Council and the Crown) which are located in Hamble Parish (including but not limited to land and buildings) and recommend to Full Council those to be transferred.

Consider the financial implications of receiving transferred assets from EBC and make recommendations Full Council.

Consider any potential liabilities of receiving transferred assets from EBC and make recommendations to Full Council regarding suitable solutions and cost implications.

Consider any potential impact on HPC resources and make recommendations to Full Council.

Ways of Working

The Group can co-opt others on the Group that will bring skills expertise or insight, or in the event that a Group member wishes to leave, with the approval of Full Council.

The Group can invite others to attend meetings where appropriate or where there are special interest items on the Agenda.

Work in partnership with other groups where needed.