

**Report to: Norfolk Strategic Planning Member Forum January 2021**

**Report of: Norfolk Strategic Framework Programme Manager**

**Subject: Norfolk Strategic Planning Framework Version 3**

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**Purpose**

To review with members the final draft of the Norfolk Strategic Planning Framework Version 3.

**Recommendation**

To note the contents of this report and changes made to the NSPF.

To recommend that once any amendments required from feedback received on the current version of the document have been made, each constituent authority agrees to take the revised NSPF back to their authority for formal endorsement.

To delegate any final wording changes to officers to agree including any changes to allow the MMO to become a signatory.

**Financial implications**

No financial implications.

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**Further Information**

None.

## **Report**

### **Purpose**

The purpose of the Norfolk Strategic Planning Framework (NSPF) Work Programme is to update and maintain the previously endorsed NSPF. The programme will aim to provide a refreshed NSPF in early 2021, this version of the document is likely to be used for the submission of a number of local plans in 2021. The programme will also deliver a number of new joint studies to inform local plans providing cost saving over local authorities commissioning these separately. The following work streams are being completed by the programme:

- The completion of a county wide Green Infrastructure and Recreational impact avoidance and mitigation Strategy
- The completion of an Older Persons housing and support needs Study for Norfolk
- The completion of a comprehensive review of Climate Change and its impact across the area to inform local plans looking at mitigation, adaptation and sequestering of greenhouse gases
- Complete the production of 5G Shared guidance and the Broadband guides

### **NSPF Version 3 Draft**

1. The new draft version of the NSPF will accompany this report. The NSPF has been updated following feedback from the December Member Forum and also from the signatories to the document.
2. The existing signatories have agreed to continue to support the document and two new additional signatories have been added – Active Norfolk and Water Resources East. We continue to work on including the Marine management organisation (MMO) as a signatory to this document.

### **NSPF Changes made since December**

3. A number of changes have been made based on the feedback received these are as followings:
  - a. Changes to the objective around car usage
  - b. Changes to the economic objective to highlight clean/green economic sectors and the opportunity they present
  - c. The Economic section has been updated to include sector information and more information on the coronavirus impacts on the economic, more reference has been made to the New Anglia Covid-19 economic recovery restart plan
  - d. Further information on the elderly study has been included
  - e. Further details have been added to the health and climate changes sections
  - f. Anglian Water information has been refreshed
  - g. Changes have been made to the broadband agreement
  - h. Further changes have been made to next year's work programme to include a GI Audit and remove the need to look at new settlements following the decision by the government not to change the standard methodology

- i. A new section and agreement has been added which it is hoped will allow the MMO to become a signatory to the document.
- j. A new agreement has been added to support the ongoing work with Water Resources East

## **Supporting Documentation**

4. The following documents will also be published to support the NSPF:
  - a. Shared Objectives for extending 4G coverage and the rollout of 5G infrastructure in the County of Norfolk
  - b. A guide to Broadband for Norfolk Local Planning Authorities
  - c. Climate change and the planning system summary document and supporting documents on each subject area
  - d. Green Infrastructure and Recreational Impact Avoidance and Mitigation Strategy
  - e. Older Persons Accommodation and Support Needs Study

The last two are still being drafted but the outstanding documents will be available to members ahead of the NSPF being endorsed by each authority. Key information from these documents will be shared with members at the January meeting. As draft versions of these documents are already available and the NSPF has been updated accordingly, it is not anticipated that further change to the NSPF will be required.

5. **Overall Programme Timetable** – Following the January 2021 Member Forum, subject to the forum's approval, each authority will need to schedule the endorsement of the NSPF and supporting documentation through the relevant committees/cabinet meetings during February and March 2021.