

Summary of the Economy and Environment Overview and Scrutiny Committee recommendations to Cabinet and the Cabinet responses

Overview and Scrutiny Committee meeting date: 14 November 2024

Topic: Strategic developments on water management and water quality

[Table to be completed for each recommendation]

Recommendation [1]:	Use Developer Contributions, in line with the related specific requirements, to enable investment in/funding of initiatives that can help to mitigate and reduce flooding and water quality risks, resulting from or increased by the development.				
Cabinet response:					
Action: <i>[Planned actions, new actions in progress required to deliver the recommendations, further actions identified to deliver the recommendations]</i>	Owner <i>[Portfolio Holder and Lead Officer]</i>	Timescales	Expected impact <i>[e.g. target/success criteria]</i>	Progress <i>[e.g. updates on work completed and underway, impacts observed, new actions required, any slippage from plan etc]</i>	

Recommendation [3]:	That the Council should ensure that Flood Risk Management and Water Quality is incorporated in ‘High Quality design’ requirements to ensure that these feature strongly in the design and planning of developments.				
Cabinet response:					
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Recommendation [5]:	That the Council should review how street scene activities are delivered and identify whether the council’s own team needs to be invested in and/or whether there are opportunities for town and parish councils and community groups to be involved in helping to reduce flood risk in their area e.g. by keeping drains and gulleys clear of leaves and other seasonal debris.				
Cabinet response:					

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Recommendation [6]:	That the Council (and its partners) needs to provide clear communication and awareness of the importance of slowing the flow of water in the river catchment, whether in rural areas using farmland with the involvement of the farmer, or in urban areas requiring more ‘greening’ and less hardstanding and more permeable surfaces through de-paving.
Cabinet response:	<i>This recommendation is for Cabinet to be aware of, rather than requiring and specific decision.</i>

Topic: Follow-up on progress and impact in the delivery of the recommendations of the River Water Quality Task and Finish Group

Recommendation [1]:	That the Council, as a place leader and in its role in the River Severn Partnership, Severn Valley Water Management Scheme and the Marches Forward Partnership and Infrastructure Group, should work with Severn Trent Water to promote and ensure that local councils (Town and Parish Councils) and communities are engaged with proactively and meaningfully to enable them to identify need and opportunity to influence the investment being made over the coming years.			
Cabinet response:				
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Recommendation [2]:	See recommendation 3 from the Strategic Developments Related to Water Management and Water Quality agenda item
Cabinet response:	<i>See response to recommendation 3 from the Strategic Developments Related to Water Management and Water Quality agenda item</i>