

Meeting: Overview, Scrutiny and Policy Development Committee

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Title: Report of the Cycling Strategy Sub-group

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Service: Law and Governance

Wards affected: All

1. Purpose of Report

To consider a report produced by the Environment Sub-committee's Cycling Strategy Sub Group.

2. Recommendation

The Committee is recommended to consider and approve the report and its recommendations and refer it to Cabinet for consideration at its meeting on 12 October 2015.

3. Details

- 3.1 As part of the Environment Sub-committee's work programme for 2014/15, a presentation was given at its meeting held on 10 September 2014 covering two topics, namely public rights of way and the authority's cycling strategy. It was agreed that separate sub-groups should be set up, the first covering Public Rights of Way and the second to look at the Cycling Strategy.
- 3.2 The Cycling Strategy was chosen because it was due to be refreshed in 2015 and Members wanted to ensure that the strategy would be used to build on the current high level of cycling in the Borough and to ensure that opportunities to maximise investment in cycling in the borough were not missed. It was considered that the Sub Group could make a positive contribution to the formulation of future plans or strategies and would allow for community involvement.
- 3.3 The remit of the Sub Group was to ensure that the 2015-19 Cycling Strategy could be used to improve cycling within North Tyneside and also to ensure that the strategy could be use to maximise investment in cycling facilities in North Tyneside.
- 3.4 Members held a series of evidence gathering meetings with officers of the Authority, partner organisations and representatives of cycling groups and local residents.
- 3.5 The findings and recommendations of the Sub Group can be found in the full report attached at Appendix 1.

3.6 The report was submitted to the Environment Sub-committee on 9 September 2015 for endorsement and has been submitted to the Overview, Scrutiny and Policy Development Committee for its approval and then submission to Cabinet, in accordance with Part 4.3 Overview, Scrutiny and Policy Development Committee Rules of Procedure in the Authority's Constitution.

4. Appendices

Appendix 1 – Report of the Cycling Strategy Sub Group.