**West Area Planning Committee** 18th March 2014

**Planning Services Improvement Action Plan**

**Recommendation:** Committee is asked to note the Action Plan attached.

1. At the WAPC meeting on 11th February 2014 officers promised to bring to Committee an Action Plan flowing from Roger Dudman Way Review Independent report from Vincent Goodstadt.
2. Attached to this report is the Action Plan. This has been titled the “Planning Services Improvement Action Plan” because the actions are pertinent to the whole of the Planning Service. For the same reason it is considered necessary to present this Action Plan to both Area Committees.
3. Officers have promised that a small Steering Group would be established to oversee the implementation of the Action Plan and to hold the Head of City Development to account for its progress. In agreement with Councillor Colin Cook, the City Development Executive Board Member, it is agreed that the steering group will be made up of himself with David Edwards the Executive Director for City Regeneration and Housing and Vincent Goodstadt.
4. The Action Plan lists each of the 6 principle recommendations from the Independent Report. Each recommendation is expanded in the Action/ Programme column to identify the specific actions necessary to implement the main recommendation. Information is also provided in the Plan on the action owner and proposed timescale for implementation.
5. The Action Plan also includes a number of extra actions not listed in the Independent Report but which are considered to be important to include as they enable the principle recommendations to be fully implemented and so are also included within the Plan.

**Appendices**

* Planning Services Improvements Action Plan.

**Background Papers**: none

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