

## **CABINET – 19TH NOVEMBER 2020**

### **Report of the Scrutiny Commission**

#### ITEM 7      SHEPSHED TOWN CENTRE PUBLIC REALM IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

##### Purpose of Report

To consider the comments and recommendations of the Scrutiny Commission in relation to the Shepshed Town Centre Public Realm Improvement Project.

##### Recommendation of the Scrutiny Commission

That the Cabinet be informed that the Commission welcomes and supports the recommendations set out in the report of the Head of Planning and Regeneration.

##### Reason

The Commission, having carefully considered and asked questions on the report felt the Cabinet should approve the recommendations set out.

##### Meeting Discussion

- i. Councillors felt that the work outlined in the report was positive and necessary.
- ii. The consultation undertaken had yielded 294 responses which was considered good given the current circumstances, which had meant that physical exhibitions and drop-in sessions to consult the community were not possible. Similar consultations outside of the Covid-19 pandemic had not received this number of responses.
- iii. Consultation responses had largely been collected through an online survey, which would not be accessible to some members of the community. In order to assist those without access to digital formats, the Council publicised the consultation by erecting information boards and information posters in Shepshed Town Centre and undertaking press releases, radio interviews, contacting businesses one to one and providing a postal address for responses.

##### Policy Justification and Previous Decisions

Scrutiny Commission Procedure Rule 11.12 sets out the procedure by which a report of a Scrutiny Committee should be considered by Cabinet.

##### Implementation Timetable including Future Decisions and Scrutiny

The information on this in the Cabinet report is not affected by the recommendation of the Scrutiny Commission.

## Report Implications

The following implications have been identified for this report.

### *Financial Implications*

There are no further financial implications associated with the recommendation of the Scrutiny Commission.

### *Risk Management*

There are no specific risks associated with the recommendations of the Scrutiny Commission.

Key Decision:	Yes
Background Paper:	Scrutiny Commission Minute 79 2020/21, 16th November 2020
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