

ECONOMIC REGENERATION AND TRANSPORT SCRUTINY PANEL
GRESHAM REGENERATION – ACTION PLAN

REPORT TO EXECUTIVE - 12 FEBRUARY 2013

SCRUTINY RECOMMENDATION	PROPOSED ACTION	BY WHOM	BUDGET COST	TIMESCALE
<p>That efforts be continued to progress the Gresham regeneration scheme as swiftly as possible. These should include:</p> <p>a) adopting a flexible approach to development. While proposals that link the various phases would be preferable, this should not necessarily preclude any developments that do not follow that approach. Any development schemes should be judged on their individual merits and it should be ensured that all approved schemes are achievable and deliverable; and,</p> <p>b) continuing to work with all or any interested developers and third party organisations to refurbish and bring back into use properties in the former Phase 3 area.</p>	<p>a) Any proposed developments will be assessed in terms of their ability to achieve the Council’s vision for Gresham within an acceptable timescale and will be reported to Executive.</p> <p>b) The property swaps between the Council and Endeavour Housing and owners of properties in the clearance areas will facilitate the refurbishment and occupation of former Phase 3 properties.</p>	<p>Andrew Carr</p> <p>Andrew Carr</p>	<p>No additional cost.</p> <p>No additional cost.</p>	<p>As required.</p> <p>Ongoing</p>

That given the anticipated long-term timescales involved in acquiring/demolishing remaining properties, the possibility of letting properties in Council ownership in Phases 2A and 2B of the scheme on a short-term basis be explored.	A paper will be drafted for consideration by the Executive Member for Regeneration and Economic Development to assess the feasibility of the proposal.	Andrew Carr	Existing staffing resources.	April 2013
That if a compulsory purchase order is used to acquire a property, local ward councillors are informed so that, if required, they can offer support and advice to individual residents.	Local ward Councillors to be informed in advance of the issue of a Compulsory Purchase Order.	Andrew Carr	No additional cost.	As required.
That, in the event that proposals to develop a Neighbourhood Plan are put forward by Gresham residents, Council officer support is provided to assist the process and ensure that this is progressed in conjunction with the ongoing review of the Local Development Framework. Local ward councillors should also be involved in the process.	Appropriate support will be provided at the relevant stages of the process within the resources available.	Paul Clarke	Existing staffing resources.	As required.
That annual updates are provided to the Economic Regeneration and Transport Scrutiny Panel on progress being made in the delivery of the Gresham regeneration scheme.	An annual update will be provided on the progress of the scheme	Andrew Carr	Existing staffing resources.	Annually