



Subject:	Request to Present - Inner North West Masterplan update
Date:	11 October 2017
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1.0	Purpose of Report or Summary of main Issues
1.1	The purpose of this report is to update Committee on the ongoing masterplan work on the Inner North West masterplan and seek approval for a presentation by the consultancy team, Feilden Clegg Bradley Studios, at the Committee meeting on 8 November 2017.
2.0	Recommendations
2.1	The Committee is asked to: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Receive a presentation of the draft Masterplan in November for Members' consideration and ahead of public consultation.
3.0	Main report
3.1	<i>Background</i> As per previous reports Members are aware that as part of the delivery of the City Centre Regeneration and Investment Strategy a number of detailed planning activities have been

	<p>undertaken to help support and shape city centre developments. As the next phase of this work Committee approved in October 2016 masterplanning work to be undertaken for the Inner North West area of the City Centre.</p> <p><i>Context & Emerging Developments</i></p>
3.2	<p>The Inner North West is experiencing significant change mostly as a result of a number of approved and planned developments opportunities in the wider area including the new Ulster University campus, potential redevelopment of Central Library, private and public sector schemes, as well as the proposed redevelopment of the former Belfast Telegraph site.</p>
3.3	<p>As outlined previously to committee the Masterplan seeks to provide a detailed framework to help shape these opportunities and ensure a more comprehensive approach to development on public and private sector owned land and provide greater connectivity between adjacent communities and the city centre.</p>
3.4	<p>It has been agreed at this committee that this part of the city will benefit from a more holistic consideration of the key issues associated with these emerging activities such as transport, connectivity, built heritage, community connections as well as design, height, and site capacity studies, and appropriate mix of uses.</p>
3.5	<p>The Inner North West Masterplan area covers a complex area with wide ranging issues and a variety of sensitivities including planning appeals, multiple land owners, public and private sector interest, and the old Northside scheme. As a result of these complexities council undertook targeted pre-consultation engagement that has informed the emerging masterplan. During the formal 12-week consultation period council will seek to engage with a diverse range of stakeholders in this area of the city over the coming months.</p>
3.6	<p>Members are reminded that in June there was agreement for a presentation on the final draft Masterplan, which is now proposed to take place at the November Committee, ahead of the public consultation process.</p>
3.7	<p><u>Equality or Good Relations Implications</u> The final strategy will be equality screened.</p>
3.8	<p><u>Finance and Resource Implications</u> Resource requirements will be met from existing departmental budget allocation.</p>
4.0	<p>Appendices – Documents Attached</p>

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