



LEP STRATEGY COMMITTEE – AGENDA ITEM 6

Subject: Strategy Work Programme Update

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Purpose

To update the Strategy Committee on progress with the Strategy Work Programme associated with the refresh of the SEP and development of its supporting strategies and delivery plans, including proposals for wider consultation and stakeholder engagement on emerging drafts.

Recommendations

The Strategy Committee is asked to

- a) Note the content of the report
- b) Note progress with the finalisation of the Digital and Science and Innovation Strategies
- c) Discuss progress against the Delivery Plan.

Discussion

1. As advised to the July meeting, work on the current Strategy programme is now all but complete. The draft digital summary of the **Digital Strategy** will be presented to the Committee as part of the meeting and work to implement one of the key outputs of the strategy – development of a Digital Infrastructure Plan – is now in train.
2. Unfortunately, the Science and Innovation Strategy is still to be published following delays in obtaining a key graphic showing the location of science and innovation assets across the sub-region. This has now been received and it is now hoped to complete this work and publish the strategy in early October.

Delivery Plan

3. The updated Delivery Plan is attached for discussion as **Appendix A**.