# CONGLETON TOWN COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS AND UPDATES

COMMITTEE:	Community Env	vironment and Services	s Committee			
MEETING DATE AND TIME	26 <sup>1h</sup> September 2019		Congleton Town Hall			
REPORT FROM	Chief Officer and the Town Marketing and Events Manager/Deputy Chief Officer					
AGENDA ITEM REPORT TITLE	changes to remise of here seems and					
Background	Committee and Env Committee. When and it made sense to a renewed emphas now proposed that Community and Env	rironment Committee wa the merger happened, th to combine the two com is on both environmenta the Community Environ	reviewed for some years since the as merged with the Services and Amenities are Town Council was a smaller organisation mittees as both were light on reports. With I concerns and the Town Council assets, it is ment and Services Committee becomes the nd the services that the Town Council d Assets Committee.			
	In addition, the Town Council has the General Power of Competence (GPC) which gives local authorities, including town councils, wider powers to deliver more in their communities. With the GPC the Town Council can provide anything that an individual can provide, as long as the action is not prohibited by other legislation or restrictions. GPC is a power of first resort and as such is the power that the Town Council will use for expenditure rather than the previous acts listed in the original terms of reference items 11- 18.					
	APPENDIX 1 is the current Terms of Reference. Anything highlighted yellow (I proposed for removal. Anything highlighted blue (C) is subject to word chang Anything highlighted green (A) is where there is a planned addition to the terreference					
APPENDIX 2- is a clean copy of the new proposed terms of reference — again swhere there is a proposed Changed blue (C) or Addition green (A)  The table below uses the numbering from the new proposed terms and reference (Appendix 2) but also highlights why some of the previous terms of reference been removed. (Yellow in Appendix 1)						
					There is further confusion as the terms of reference for environment and environmental and public health have been combined into one area (3) and subsequent areas re-numbered.	
Proposed	Ref R	eason				
amendments	Title C C	nange the name of the	Committee from Community es Committee to Community and			
	th	These two plans are no longer the main ones - suggest change the wording to Activity engage in commenting on emerging plans which has an impact on the Congleton Community				
	1.4 R R	emove -funding no lo	nger available			

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1.6	С	Change promote social inclusion within communities to promote	
		diversity and inclusion	
1.7	R	Fair Trade Status has elapsed	L
1.8	R	Market Town Initiative has elapsed so removing this	
1.8	Α	Adding a new 1.8 Promote Social Mobility and opportunities for all	
1.10	R	Responsibility for strategic operations of Streetscape to Town Hall and Assets	
1.11	A	Actively encourage events that generate better social cohesion and bring the community together	
1.12	A	Communicate activities, polices, events and promotions to the local community via all available communication channels.	
2.1	С	Remove ref to act change to say: Support and where possible	
		work with the principle authority to enhance CCTV operations	
		in Congleton.	
2.2	С	Crime Safety Partnership nolonger in existence so reword	
2.6	R	Health and Safety Policy of Streetscape move to Town Hall and Assets Committee	
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2.6	А	To support initiatives to help families affected by domestic violence or abuse	
2.8	А	To actively support the White Ribbon Campaign	
2.9	Α	Add a line about initiatives to reduce Anti-Social Behaviour	
3.2	Α	Add to seek to make Congleton Town Council Carbon Neutral by 2025	
3.3 New	Α	Ensure that the climate impact is considered in all activities and decisions	
	С	Remove as this power not being used	1
3.3			
Old			$\frac{1}{2}$
3.8	С	To promote environmental awareness and good practice to	
		promote action on climate change and environmental	
		responsibilities	
		SUGGEST MERGE Environment and Environmental and Public	
		Health as one group	

4.1	R	Power not used	
4.2	R	Power not used	
4.3	Α	Make 3.9	
4.4	С	Make 3.10	
3.11	Α	Activity encourage reduce, reuse and recycle in order to reduce waste and promote responsible management of waste.	
3.12	Α	To promote clean air policies	
		MAKE Section 5 Section 4 etc for rest of ToR	
4.2	С	To improve access to local services which can contribute to health including mental health	
4.3	С	Add a new term - Encourage more people to become more active more often.	
5.2	С	Change to involve young people in decision making	
5.3	С	Support young people in their communities	
5.4	Α	Support families to ensure that all the people of Congleton have equal chance to thrive.	
6.1	С	Add Social Housing as a term	
7.8	Α	Encourage a wide and diverse range of events in the town	
9	С	Change borough and county council to principal authority	
10-19		These items are largely about the powers that Town and Parish Councils may have been able to use before General Power of Competence. Would suggest that there is no need to list all these now antiquated powers, but acknowledge that issues relating to these various items that are part of the built or social fabric of the town can be discussed at Environment and Community Committee.	
		References to activities to do with the Paddling Pool, Propagation Unit and Park to move to Town Hall and Assets (10.3-10.6 of Appendix 1)	
10.3		Remove reference to the Town Tapestry. Add To promote and protect Congleton's historic buildings, traditions and artefacts .	

PROPOSAL

That the committee accepts the proposed changes / recommendations as laid out in this report.

# COMMUNITY, ENVIRONMENT & SERVICES COMMITTEE

10 Members of the Authority

Quorum= 4

Key - yellow remove, blue change, green add

	Function of Committee Column 1	Delegation of Function Column 2
1.	Community Engagement	
1.1	To promote the social wellbeing of the Town.	Committee under the direction of Council
1.2	To support the development of the Borough Community Plan and Local Strategic Partnership.	Committee under the direction of Council
1.3	To facilitate and support local community and voluntary organisations	Grants to Finance & Policy Committee     Promotion & other support to Committee/ Chief Officer * in accordance with Policy
1.4	To maximise the benefit to the Town of Challenge and European Funding, directly or in partnership.	Committee under the direction of Council
1.5	To support a CAB for the Town.	Committee under the direction of Council     Grants to Finance & Policy Committee
1.6	To promote social inclusion within communities	Committee under the direction of Council
1.7	To promote Fair Trade in the Town	Committee
1.8	Promote Social Mobility and opportunities for all	0 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11
1.8	To lead on the Market Town initiative	Committee under the direction of Council
1.9	To agree project funding submissions	Committee     In urgent cases the Chief Officer * in consultation with Chairman and Vice Chairman
1.10	To be responsible for the strategic objectives of Streetscape and Grounds Maintenance Services in supporting the wellbeing of the Town and surrounding area	Committee under the direction of Council     Grants to Finance & Policy Committee
1.11	- Add events	
1.12	Add Communiciations	
2.	Community Safety	
2.1	Power to install & maintain equipment for detection & prevention of crime, Local Government & Rating Act 1997, S31.	Committee for strategic overview     Chief Officer * for operational management
2.2	To support initiatives of the Community Safety Partnership.	Committee/ Chief Officer * in accordance with Council direction.
2.3	To lobby for road safety improvement schemes	Committee
2.4	To liaise with the Police Authority & Constabulary	Committee to respond to consultations
2.5	To manage the Police Support Officers Service Level Agreement	Committee to recommend terms to Council     Chief Officer * to monitor
2.6	To manage the health and safety policy of Streetscape Services, its impact on personnel and the community	Committee/ Chief Officer * in accordance with Council direction.
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2.8 A	add Initiatives to reduce domestic abuse add initiatives to reduce hate crime add initialtives to reduce Anti Social Behaviour		
3.	Environment		
3.1	To promote the environmental wellbeing of the Town	•	Committee under the direction of Council
3.2	Conservation of the built & natural environment		Strategic overview to Committee Operational management to Chief Officer *
3.3	Power to maintain, repair, protect & alter war Memorials; War Memorials (Local authorities Powers) Act 1923,S11 as extended by Local Government Act 1948 S133	•	Strategic overview to Committee Operational management to Chief Officer
3.3	Add Climate Impact Reduction		
3.4	Issues involving ancient monuments & areas of archaeological interest		Strategic overview to Committee Operational management to Chief Officer *
3.5	To promote and support floral and planting Initiatives	•	Committee under the direction of Council
3.6	To protect and preserve local heritage	•	Committee under the direction of Council
3.7	To approve & action Environmental Audits		Committee within budget Chief Officer to initiate audit
3.8	To promote environmental awareness		Committee to approve programme within budget
4	Environmental & Public Health		
4.1	Power to utilise well, spring or stream to provide Facilities for water supply, Public Health Act 1936,S125		Strategic overview to Committee Operational management to Chief Officer
4.2	Power to deal with ponds & ditches, Public Health 1936, S260	•	Power to Committee
4.3	To liaise with the relevant authorities in cases of public health/ environmental nuisance, drainage matter, pollution, animal welfare issue,		Petitions to Committee Chief Officer * in other cases
4.4	To make observations on any public health/ environmental licence or registration application ( other than under the Licensing Act)	•	Committee
4.5	Waste & recycling initiative		Strategic overview to Committee Operational management to Chief Officer
4.6	Clean Air initiative		Operational management to office Officer

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5	Personal Health	
5.1	To work with partner organisations to improve the health of people in the Town	Committee for strategic overview     Chief Officer * for operational management
5.2	To improve access to services which can contribute to health	
5.3	To promote healthy living	
5.3	Contribute to the development of and co- ordination of NHS services	
6	Young People	
6.1	Support public and community services and facilities for the young.	Committee under the direction of Council
6.2	Co-ordinate the involvement of young people in decision making	Committee under the direction of Council
6.3	Support to young people in their communities	Committee under the direction of Council
6.4	\support families	
7	Housing	
7.1	To lobby for sufficient affordable housing.	Committee under the direction of Council
7.2	To support home safety initiatives in the town	Committee under the direction of Council
8	Economic Wellbeing & Tourism	
8.1	To promote the economic wellbeing of the Town through partnership with the business and community sectors	Committee within budget & policy
8.2	To promote tourism within the Town	Committee within budget & policy
8.3	Power to encourage visitors and provide conference & other facilities	Committee within budget & policy
8.4	To promote regeneration in the Town	Committee under the direction of Council
8.5	To lobby for sufficient high quality employment sites in the Town & support initiatives promoting inward investment	Committee in conjunction with Planning Committee
8.6	To support skills & training for local businesses	Committee
8.7	Provision, directly or indirectly of Christmas lights	Committee
8.8	New – role with events and advising groups	
9	Emergency Planning	
9.1	To assist in preparing & implementing the Emergency Plans of the Borough & County Councils	<ul> <li>Committee within budget</li> <li>Grants to Finance &amp; Policy Committee</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>Committee within budget</li> <li>Operational management to Chief Officer</li> </ul>

#### 10 Leisure & Recreation Committee for strategic overview 10.1 Power to maintain land for open spaces, Public Chief Officer \* for operational management Health Act 1875, S164; Open Spaces Act 1906, S9 &10 10.2 Power to acquire land for or to provide public Acquisition to Council Strategic Management & development to walks, pleasure grounds to manage and control them. Power to provide gymnasiums, playing Committee Chief Officer for operational management fields, & boating pools; Local Government Act 1972, Sch 14; Public Health Acts Amendment Act 1890,S44, Local government (Miscellaneous Provisions )Act S19; Public Health Act 1961,s54 10.3 Management & enhancement and safety Grants to Finance & Policy Committee Strategic Management & development to inspection of Play areas Committee Chief Officer \* for Operational management Committee for development, strategic 10.4 Management of the Paddling Pool management and making user rules Chief Officer\* for operational management Committee for strategic overview Joint management of the Park with principal Chief Officer \* for operational management authority through partnership agreement Committee for strategic overview Chief Officer \* for operational matters 10.6 To jointly manage the Propagation Unit through a partnership agreement with the principal authority **Bus Shelters** 11. Strategic overview to Committee Power to make contribution, within budget to Power to provide & maintain shelters, Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act Committee Operational management to Chief Officer 1953 S4. 12. Clocks Power to provide public clocks, Parish Councils Strategic overview to Committee Operational management to Chief Officer Act 1957, S2 13. Allotments To provide allotments, improve land and let rights under S 23, 26, &42 of the Small Holding & Operational Management to Chief Officer \* Allotments Act 1908. Strategic overview & development to Committee Baths & Washhouses 14. Power to provide under Secs 221, 222, 223 &227 Committee for strategic overview 14.1 of Public Health Act 1936. Chief Officer for operational management 15. **Burial Facilities** Acquisition & provision reserved for Council Power to acquire & maintain; Power to provide; Power to agree to maintain monuments & Operational management to Chief Officer Memorials under Open Spaces Act 1906, Sec Strategic overview to Committee 9&10; Local Government Act 1972, S214; Parish Councils & Burial Authorities (Miscellaneous 16. Provisions) Act 1970, S1. Power to contribute towards expenses of

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17. E	Entertainment & the Arts		Operational management to the time.
	Power to provide entertainment and support of he arts, Local Government Act 1972,S145	•	Committee within policy Grants to Finance & Policy Committee
7.2 F	Power to promote lotteries, Lotteries & Amusements Act 1976,S7	•	Committee within policy Operational management to Chief Officer
18.	Public Realm	•	Committee
	Provision of litter receptacles, Litter Act 1983, S5&6	•	Strategic overview within budget to Committee Operational management to Chief Officer *
	Provision and maintenance of street furniture and signs	•	Strategic overview to Committee Operational management to Chief Officer *
	Matters relating to street cleaning, litter, fly Posting	•	Strategic overview to Committee Operational management to Chief Officer *
	lanagement of Handyperson Scheme and treetscape Team	•	Strategic overview to Committee Operational Management to Chief Officer*
	lower to provide public conveniences, Public lealth Act 1936, s87	•	Strategic overview to Committee Operational Management to Chief Officer*
19. H	ighways & Transport		
19.1 F	Power to maintain footpaths & bridleways	•	Committee within Council policy
19.2 P	ower to light roads and public places	•	Committee within Council policy
	owers to provide parking places for vehicles & ycles	•	Committee within Council policy
	Power to enter into agreement as to dedication & widening	•	Committee within Council policy
19.5 F	ower to provide roadside seats & shelters		Committee
	Power to contribute financially to traffic calming chemes; Highways Act 1980, S274A	•	Committee within budget & Council policy
	Power to provide traffic signs and other objects devices warning of danger	•	Committee
	Power to plant trees and lay grass verges and pomaintain them	•	Committee
fa	owers relating to car sharing schemes, taxing concessions & information about transport; ocal Government & Rating Act 1997,S26, 28,	•	Committee under the direction of Council
	nprove off street parking & on street arking enforcement	•	Committee under the direction of Council

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19.11 To support approved community transport schemes.	Committee under the direction of Council     Grants to Finance & Policy Committee
20. HERITAGE	
20.1 To manage, preserve & promote the use of the Town's ancient records	Strategic overview to Committee within budget & policy     Operational Management to Chief Officer *
20.2 To manage & preserve the Town's artefacts & treasures.	Strategic overview to Committee within budget & policy     Operational Management to Chief Officer *
20.3 To preserve and display the Town's Tapestry	Strategic overview to Committee within budget & policy     Operational Management to Chief Officer *

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<ul> <li>1.2 To respond to strategic plans which will have an impact on the community of Congleton</li> <li>1.3 To facilitate and support local community and voluntary organisations</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Committee under the direction of Council</li> <li>Grants to Finance &amp; Policy Committee</li> <li>Promotion &amp; other support to Committee/ Chief Officer * in accordance with Policy</li> <li>Committee under the direction of Council</li> </ul>
1.4 To support a CAB for the Town.	
1.5 To promote social inclusion within communities	Committee under the direction of Council     Grants to Finance & Policy Committee
1.6. Promote social mobility and opportunities for all	Committee under the direction of Council
1.7 To agree project funding submissions	Committee under the direction of Council
1.8 Actively encourage events that generate better social cohesion and bring the community together	Committee
1.9 Actively communicate activities, policies, events and promotions to the local community via all communication channels.	Committee/ Chief Officer * in accordance with Council direction.
2. Community Safety	
2.1 To work with partners of promoting community safety initiatives	Committee for strategic overview     Chief Officer * for operational management
2.2 To lobby for road safety improvement schemes for all road users	<ul> <li>Committee/ Chief Officer * in accordance with Council direction.</li> <li>Committee</li> </ul>
2.3 To liaise with the Police Authority & Constabulary	Committee to recommend terms to Council     Chief Officer * to monitor
2.4 To manage the Police Support Officers Service Level Agreement	Committee/ Chief Officer * in accordance with Council direction.
2.5 To support initiatives to help families affected by domestic violence or abuse	Committee for strategic overview     Chief Officer * for operational management
2.6 To actively support the White Ribbon Campaign	

#### 3. Environment

- 3.1 To promote the environmental wellbeing of the Town
- 3.2 Conservation of the built & natural environment
- 3.3 To seek to make Congleton Carbon Neutral by 225
- 3.4 Ensure that Climate Change impact is considered in all activities and decisions
- 3.5 Issues involving ancient monuments & areas of archaeological interest
- 3.6 To promote and support floral and planting Initiatives
- 3.7 To protect and preserve local heritage
- 3.8 To approve & action Environmental Audits
- 3.9 To promote environmental awareness and good practices to promote action on climate change and environmental responsibility.
- 3.10 To liaise with the relevant authorities in cases of public health/ environmental nuisance, drainage matter, pollution, animal welfare issue,
- 3.11 To make observations on any public health/ environmental licence or registration application ( other than under the Licensing Act)

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- 4.1 To work with partner organisations to improve the health of people in the Town
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- 4.5 Contribute to the development of and coordination of NHS services

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<b>5</b> 5.1	Young People  Support public and community services and facilities for the young.		Committee for strategic overview Chief Officer * for operational management
5.2	Involve young people in decision making	•	Committee for strategic overview Chief Officer * for operational management
5.3	Support to young people in their communities	•	Committee for strategic overview Chief Officer * for operational management
5.4 Cong	Support families to ensure that all people of gleton have equal opportunity to thrive		Committee for strategic overview Chief Officer * for operational management
6	Housing		
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8	Emergency Planning		
8.1	To assist in preparing & implementing the Emergency Plans of the Principle authority	•	Committee within budget Grants to Finance & Policy Committee
9	Quality of Place		Curato to Finance 9 Policy Committee
9.1	Use the powers afforded to the Town Council through the General Power of Competence to carry out a wide range of activities that support quality of life in the town. This may include	•	Grants to Finance & Policy Committee Strategic Management & development to Committee Chief Officer * for Operational management
	<ul><li>Leisure and Recreational activities</li><li>Sustainable Transport initiatives</li></ul>		

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 Allotments Up keep of public spaces Entertainment and the Arts Heritage initiatives Social inclusion 10 HERITAGE Strategic overview to Committee within budget 10.1 To manage, preserve & promote the use of the Town's ancient records & policy Operational Management to Chief Officer \* Strategic overview to Committee within budget 10..2 To promote and protect Congleton's historic buildings, traditions and artefacts & policy Operational Management to Chief Officer \*

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