



REPORT TO:	CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY SCRUTINY COMMITTEE
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SUBJECT:	LGA PEER REVIEW – PROGRESS UPDATE
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EXEMPT REPORT?	NO

### **SUMMARY**

This report provides the Committee with an update on the delivery of recommendations that were put forward by the Local Government Association following their Corporate Peer Review of the Council in 2019 and a subsequent Health Check of the Communications Service.

The table at Appendix A provides the status of each recommendation.

### **RECOMMENDATIONS**

That the Committees notes the progress made to deliver the recommendations.

### **REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS**

N/a

### **OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED**

N/a

## REPORT

1. This is a brief covering report to provide the Committee with an update on the delivery of the LGA Peer Review recommendations.
2. In June 2019 the Council invited a team of Peers into the Council to undertake a Corporate Review.
3. Following the Corporate Review, a Health Check of the Communications Service also took place resulting in a number of specific communications-focused recommendations.
4. Links to the detailed reports following the Review and Health Check are included in the 'Background Papers' section to this report.
5. Appendix A includes a table of the recommendations from the Peer Review and Health Check and their status, along with narrative.

### **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

N/a

### **LEGAL IMPLICATIONS**

N/a

### **RISK IMPLICATIONS**

N/a

### **CLIMATE CHANGE AND ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS**

N/a

**EQUALITY AND SAFEGUARDING IMPLICATIONS**

N/a

**OTHER IMPLICATIONS**

N/a

**CONSULTATION**

N/a

**APPENDICES**

Appendices are listed below and attached to the back of the report: -

APPENDIX A

Update on Actions

**BACKGROUND PAPERS**

Background papers used in the production of this report are listed below: -

**Document title****Where the document can be viewed**

Corporate Peer Review

<http://s4fzas59p.gb-02.live-paas.net/wp-content/uploads/2020/07/Boston-Borough-Council-Peer-Review.pdf>

Communications Health Check

<https://www.mybostonuk.com/wp-content/uploads/2021/09/LGA-Communications-health-check-BBC.pdf>**CHRONOLOGICAL HISTORY OF THIS REPORT**

A report on this item has not been previously considered by a Council body.

**REPORT APPROVAL**

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