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STRATEGY & RESOURCES COMMITTEE MEMBER/OFFICER REPORT

NAME OF ORGANISATION/BODY	Strategic Recovery Board
DATE OF LAST MEETING	9 December 2020
ATTENDED	

BRIEF REPORT:

The last meeting of the Strategic Recovery Board took place on 9 December 2020, where the focus was on the Council's response to the Government's 'Kickstart' Scheme.

Under this scheme, the Council will act as a 'gateway' and facilitator, encouraging young people most affected by the Covid-19 pandemic to take up work placement opportunities of up to six months with the district's many businesses.

In view of the increasing number of Covid-19 infections across the County and Nationwide and the need for the Council to concentrate on response based activity, the Board also discussed where effort and resources should be focused on recovery at this time. This discussion has informed the budget report under a separate item at S&R Committee on 11 February 2021.

The next meeting of the Strategic Recovery Board will take place on 26 January 2021. Key items for consideration will include: (i) a brief for a new canal strategy to maximise the economic social and environmental opportunities arising from the restoration of the Stroudwater canal and the linkages to the national canal network, and (ii) consideration of key areas of feedback from the recent engagement and consultation on the 2030 Strategy for the district.

Monthly Highlight Reports on Recovery work, summarising progress and key activities for the forthcoming period, will continue to be included within the Weekly Update for all Members

FUTURE MEETINGS	18 February 2021
REPORT SUBMITTED BY	Brendan Cleere – Strategic Director of Place
DATE	20 January 2021