



Subject:	Programme of Planning Committee Training Workshops
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1.0	Purpose of Report and Summary of Main Issues
1.1	The purpose of this report is to provide Members with an updated programme of Planning Committee Training Workshops (see Appendix 1). The Planning Committee is asked to agree the revised programme.
2.0	Recommendation
2.1	The Planning Committee is asked to agree the updated programme of Planning Committee Training Workshops at Appendix 1 for the period January 2020 to February 2022.

3.0	Main Report
3.1	In February 2020, the Planning Committee agreed a revised programme of Planning Committee Training Workshops to support Members' continuous development. However, the training programme was postponed due to the pandemic.

3.2	An updated training programme is provided at Appendix 1 and is proposed to recommence in January 2021. It is intended that the first workshop will be on transport issues with DFI Roads (originally scheduled for March 2020) subject to their availability.
3.3	The Planning Committee is asked to agree the updated programme of Planning Committee Training Workshops.
3.4	<p><u>Finance and Resource Implications</u></p> <p>The preparation of training workshops, including attendance by officers, will have some impact on resources but is considered value for money. Where appropriate, the Planning Service may choose to appoint outside professionals or agencies to lead or participate in the training, which may result in additional costs.</p>
3.5	<p><u>Equality or Good Relations Implications/Rural Needs Assessment</u></p> <p>There are no equality or good relations implications associated with this report.</p>
4.0	Appendices
	Appendix 1 – proposed programme of Planning Committee Training Workshops