

# STRATEGIC PLAN 2023 – 2027

Leading positive change  
by working to make Witham a  
greener, fairer and safer town.



## Overview of Delegated Responsibilities:

- All planning consultation notices.
- Notifications of decisions taken by the Local Planning Authority.
- Notifications of Traffic Regulation Orders.
- Notifications of Tree Preservation Orders made by the District Council.
- Matters of national infrastructure.
- Matters relating to the Conservation Areas in Witham.
- Matters relating to the Local Plan.
- Matters relating to the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF).
- Plans and policy proposals received in relation to Minerals & Waste.



## Planning and Transport Committee Objectives

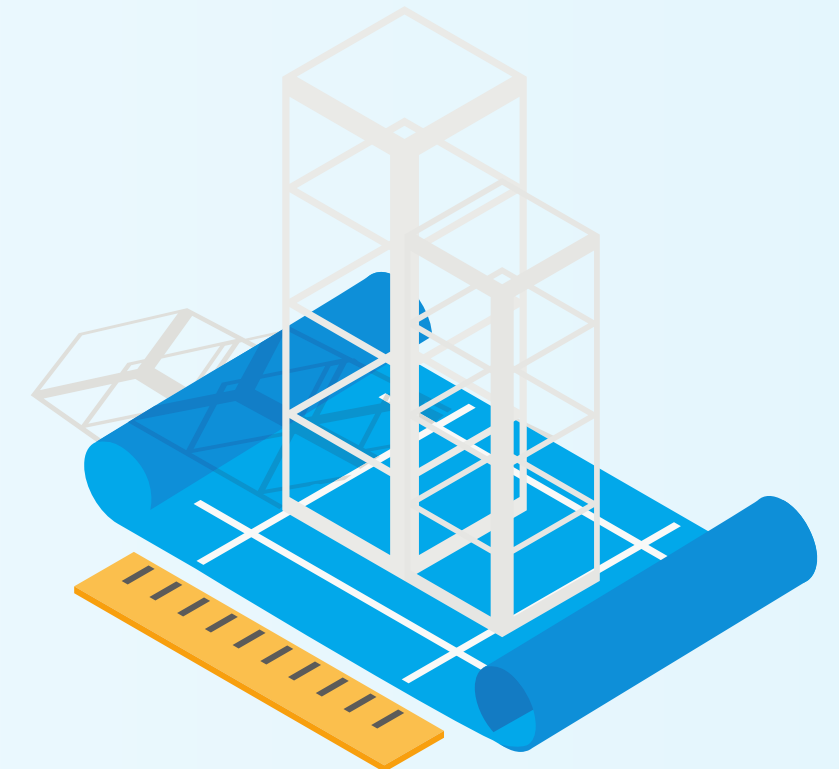
**Creation of a  
Witham  
Neighbourhood  
Plan**

**Scrutiny of  
Planning  
Applications**

**To provide Local  
Plan  
Representation**

**Deliver a Witham  
Cycleways  
Strategy**

**To continue to  
provide  
Highways Matters  
& Parking Reports**



## Overview of Delegated Responsibilities:

- Receive reports, recommendations and minutes from Task & Finish Groups, advisory committees and panels.
- Promotion of community safety awareness and advice.
- Matters concerning provision of community transport.
- Christmas decorations and celebrations, including Christmas Events.
- Provision of all Town Council run events.
- Support and oversight of the locally led 'Silver Cinema'.
- The Town Council's Grant Aid Scheme.
- Oversight of the Witham Information Centre
- Matters relating to civic celebration, onetime events and Remembrance.



## Community Committee Objectives

**CCTV Expansion**

**Tackling  
Social  
Isolation**

**Preserving  
Historical  
Artefacts and  
Public Art**

**Special  
Constables  
Recruitment**

**Promoting  
Healthcare and  
Well-Being**

**Community,  
Business and  
Group  
Engagement**



## Overview of Delegated Responsibilities:

- All matters relating to the Council's managed assets.
- Asset management of furniture and assets located on open spaces including waste management.
- To consider matters in relation to climate and pollution.
- To consider all matters in relation to trees, tree planting and the Councils closed 'Commemorative Tree Scheme'.
- To consider matters in relation to litter.
- Management of the Council's public conveniences.
- Management of the Council's street lighting inventory.



## Environment Committee Objectives

**Path & Cycleway Programme and Parish Paths Partnership**

**James Cooke Wood Scheme Improvement**

**Fleet Review**

**Open Spaces Management Plans**

**Review of Floral Displays and Witham in Bloom**

**Allotment and Community Orchard Management**

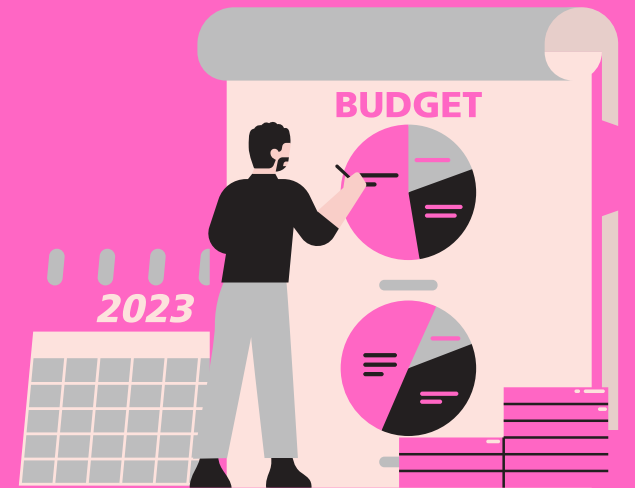
**Linking Whetmead & The River Walk**

**Review of Street Furniture**



# Overview of Delegated Responsibilities:

- Receipt of all budget reports for all standing committees.
- Receipt of cashbooks and bank reconciliations.
- Management and consideration of Town Council publications.
- Matters relating to the Mayor’s Appeal.
- Matters concerning receipt and consideration of legal advice.
- All matters concerning income and expenditure in general.
- Management of the Council’s ‘Earmarked Reserves’ and receipt of EMR reports.
- Scrutiny of administrative practice and deployment of resource.



# Policy and Resources Committee Objectives



**Policy Review Programme**

**Prospectus for Devolution**

**Town Plan**

**Strategic Acquisitions & Investments**

**Investment in Human Resources**

**Town Hall Site Improvement Project**

**Member Development**

**Additional Grant Funding**

**Review of Communications**

# Council funding and spending

2022 Income: £863,825  
2023 Income: £824,529

2022 Expenditure: £733,170  
2023 Expenditure: £787,845

**Total Assets Less Current Liabilities**  
  
2022: £541,959  
2023: £578,643

