



**NORTHAMPTON  
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**OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE**

**24 SEPTEMBER 2018**

**BRIEFING NOTE:**

**SCRUTINY PANEL 3 - NORTHAMPTON POST UNITARY**

**1 INTRODUCTION**

- 1.1 Since the last meeting of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee, the Scrutiny Panel has held one evidence gathering meeting, with a further scheduled for 20 September 2018.

**2 UPDATE**

- 2.1 The Scrutiny Panel received a presentation that set the scene for the Review, approved its core questions to be put to key expert advisors and attended a number of site visits. A Community Impact Assessment for the Review was completed and has been published.
- 2.2 At the meeting scheduled for 20 September 2018, the Scrutiny Panel will receive responses to its core questions from key internal expert advisors; receive a briefing note around desktop research and a further briefing note detailing the findings from its recent site visits to two Town Councils.
- 2.3 Further evidence gathering meetings are scheduled, with the next one set for 29 November 2018.
- 2.4 In accordance with the Scrutiny Panel Protocol the Chair of this Scrutiny Panel will provide written progress reports to future meetings of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee for information.

**3 RECOMMENDATION**

- 3.1 That the Overview and Scrutiny Committee notes the progress report.

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