

Proposal for 'Climate Adaptation' Inquiry Day 2019 – Themes & Timelines

It is proposed that there is a thematic approach to the day which is outlined below;

1. Partnership Working
2. Building Climate Resilience
3. The Urban Heat Island Effect
4. Climate Change & Carbon Reduction

The Inquiry Day will be followed by a report highlighting the key findings from the day which will be submitted to the appropriate part of the council (to be agreed).

Partnership Working

Bristol City Council is working with key partners including the Meteorological Office to:

- Produce the headlines for Bristol using the latest climate information available (UKCP18)
- Better understand temperature patterns within the city using satellite data and other info sources.

It is proposed that the latest findings from this work are shared at the Inquiry Day.

Building Climate Resilience

Building resilience to climate change requires a structured approach influencing:

- Strategies and plans which set the future trajectory of the city
- Operational plans which define day-to-day business practices and service delivery
- Commissioning and procurement processes which set standards for delivery of goods and services
- Major capital/investment projects which change the fabric of the city
- Collaborations which afford the opportunity to align and support decision-making for a climate resilient city

It is proposed that the Inquiry day examines how is Bristol City Council are Monitoring and evaluating current and planned activity for building climate resilience, understand the progress being made in this area and gain an understanding of how the authority and city are already being impacted by climate change

The Urban Heat Island Effect

Planning for a City that can 'Take the Heat'.

How do we ensure our services and plans are fit for purpose whether we are dealing with heatwave emergencies or chronic impacts like buildings overheating?

At the Enquiry Day we will explore activities, gaps and actions to help protect different groups e.g. children at school, workers in the office, the elderly at home and/or people using Bristol's public spaces.

Climate Change & Carbon Reduction

The key linkages and interdependencies between Climate Change and Carbon Reduction will be highlighted.

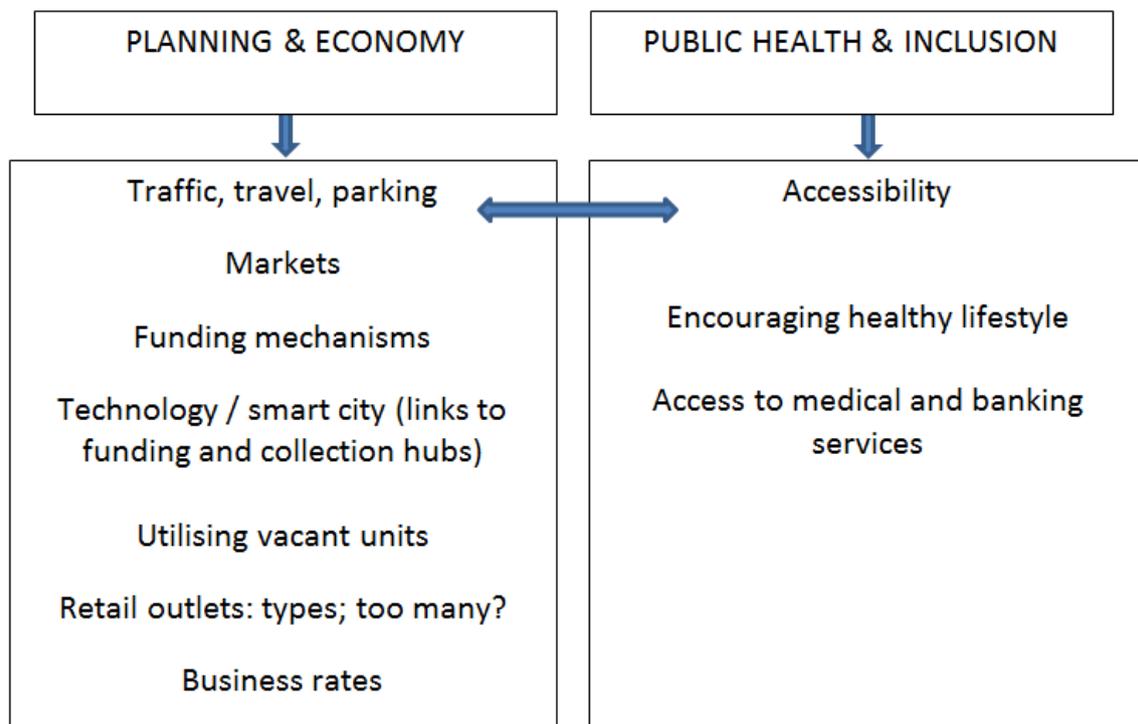
Timeline

It is proposed that this Inquiry Day will Take place in October.

Proposed High Streets Inquiry Day 2019 /2020 – Themes & Timelines

It is proposed that there is a thematic approach to the inquiry day which is outlined below;

1. **Planning and Economy:** retail and highstreets action plan strategy; funding; business rates; use of technology
2. **Public Health and Inclusion:** there is a lot of focus on *what to keep out*, and not so much on *what we want to attract/enable* – e.g. access to healthy food and encouraging healthy lifestyle).



The Inquiry Day will be followed by a report highlighting the key findings and any subsequent recommendations from the day.

Timeline

It is proposed that this Inquiry Day will take place in January 2020.

Output of the Inquiry Day

1. Illustrated answers to the following questions:

To help our high streets thrive, what is it that the Council can do....

- (i) directly?; (ii) indirectly?; and (iii) to influence national policy?

2. Recommendations (including High Streets and retail strategy); and initiatives from 1, above.
3. Indicators to demonstrate a thriving / successful high street

SEND Evidence Gathering Session

- It is proposed that a SEND Evidence Gathering Session will take place in November 2019.
- The Evidence Gathering Session will take place over a half day and will be led by the Party Group Leads of the People Scrutiny Commission.
- Questions and lines of Inquiry will be shared with the expert witnesses in advance of the session. Follow up questions will be open to all members of the People Scrutiny Commission.
- A report on the Evidence Gathering Session will be produced and submitted to OSMB. It will also be sent to all Council Members. The key findings and any recommendations from the day will be submitted to the appropriate part of the council once this has been agreed.