APPENDIX B - Current Consultations - November 2017

Purpose of Document	Portfolio	Director	Response to be agreed by	Contact	Deadline for response
Business rates relief for new fibre on telecommunication hereditaments The Telecommunication Infrastructure (Relief from Non-Domestic Rates) Bill provides the powers necessary to implement 100% business rates relief for new full fibre infrastructure. Through these powers we will make regulations which deliver the relief to operators of telecom networks who install new fibre on their networks. This new fibre will be eligible for 100% relief from business rates for the 5 years from 1 April 2017 to 31 March 2022. The government is seeking views on how the draft regulations implement this relief. https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/business-rates-relief-for-new-fibre-on-telecommunication-hereditaments	Finance and Legal Services	Director (Support Services)	Officers in consultation with Portfolio Holders	Ian Potter	21 st November 2017
Access to elections: Call for Evidence A Call for Evidence asking for views on how people with disabilities experience registering to vote and voting itself. https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/access-to-elections-call-for-evidence	Strategy and Policy	Director (Support Services)	Officers in consultation with Portfolio Holders	Roger Quantock	14 th November 2017
Planning for the right homes in the right places: consultation proposals Consultation on further measures set out in the housing white paper to boost housing supply in England. https://www.gov.uk/government/consultation-proposals	Strategic Planning (Place Making)	Director (Service Delivery)	Officers in consultation with Portfolio Holders	Colin McDonald / David Norris	9 th November 2017

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Somerset County Council (SCC) are consulting on the future of Somerset Family Support Service & Children's Centres http://www.somersetconsults.org.uk/consult.ti/FamilySupportChildrensCentres/consultationHome	Strategy and Policy / Leisure and Culture	Director (Service Delivery)	Officers in consultation with Portfolio Holders	Alice Knight	1 st December 2017
Disqualification criteria for councillors and mayors This consultation paper sets out the government's proposals for updating the criteria disqualifying individuals from being elected, or holding office, as a local authority member or directly elected mayor. https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/disqualification-criteria-for-councillors-and-mayors	Finance and Legal Services	Director (Support Services)	Officers in consultation with Portfolio Holders	Ian Clarke	8 th December 2017
Homelessness code of guidance for local authorities Consultation on the draft homelessness code of guidance document from government to local authorities. https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/homelessness-code-of-guidance-for-local-authorities	Strategy and Policy / Leisure and Culture	Director (Support Services)	Officers in consultation with Portfolio Holders	Kirsty Larkins	11 th December 2017