

## **Co-ordination of population projection synchronisation**

This paper seeks the views of members as to whether there is a need to commission work to address the issue outlined below.

### **Issue:**

The GROS sub-national population projections are produced every two years following the production, on behalf of the Registrar General, of national level population projections by the Government Actuary's Department. These projections are a key input to, among other products, the production of household projections, pupil projections and local authority structure plans.

The issue is that the timing of the projections (population, household and student) has an impact on their local use, particularly the production of structure plans. It is not immediately apparent that a solution exists or that the issue has enough impact to warrant a solution. **Members are asked to comment on whether some commissioned work looking at the impact of the timing differential on immediate and secondary users, and potential solutions, is necessary?**

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