

**ECONOMY PDG
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Growth, Economy and Delivery Business Plan 17-18

Cabinet Member(s): Cllr Richard Chesterton
Responsible Officer: Stephen Walford, Director for Growth

Reason for Report: To inform members of the updated service plan for 2017-18

RECOMMENDATION: That the report be noted

Relationship to Corporate Plan: It supports the corporate objectives for the economy.

Financial Implications: There are no additional financial implications arising from the report apart from those identified in the individual projects.

Legal Implications: None

Risk Assessment: None

1.0 Introduction

Service Managers have been asked to undertake a full revision of their service business plans in the autumn of 2017 to bring the business planning cycle back into line with the budget setting process. In the meantime, managers have been asked to update their service plans to show their priorities over the next six month period. The updated service plan is attached as an appendix. The main priorities for the service over the next six months are:

- Submit ERDF Bid for HydroMills Project (by end of June 17)
- Develop Business Case for Commercialisation of Regulatory Services (Sept 17)
- Develop Promotional website for Mid Devon Tourism (Sept 17)
- Deliver 6 Electric Night Events (May – Oct 17)
- Scope and produce project plan for Exe Valley AONB (Nov 17)
- Ensure re-application of Cullompton Townscape Heritage Scheme (Dec 17)
- Investigate opportunities for wireless broadband coverage (Dec 17)

The other main priority for the service is the development of an Economic Strategy for the district, as recommended by the recent Peer review. The full revision of the business plan in the autumn will enable the plan to reflect the emerging priorities of the Economic Strategy.

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List of Background Papers: None