

CABINET
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UPDATE TO THE CORPORATE PLAN FOR 2017-18

Cabinet Member Clive Eginton, Leader of the Council
Responsible Officer Stephen Walford, Chief Executive

Reason for Report: In order to further the Corporate Plan 2016-20 aims and ensure that operational projects remain current.

RECOMMENDATION TO COUNCIL:

1. To note and approve the amendments to the operational section of the published corporate plan for 17/18.
2. To provide delegated authority to the Chief Executive, in consultation with the Leader, to amend the operational elements of the published plan to ensure an up-to-date version can be (re)published as often as required.

Relationship to Corporate Plan: Corporate Plan priorities and targets are effectively maintained.

Financial Implications: None identified – budgets are set by full council each year; this report does not seek to change these.

Legal Implications: None identified

Risk Assessment: Maintaining an up-to-date (and publicly available) corporate plan aids transparency about council activity and deployment of effort/resources. The council should always seek to be as transparent as possible.

Equality Impact Assessment: No equality issues identified for this report.

1.0 Introduction

- 1.1 The current Corporate Plan covers the period April 2016 until March 2020; it was recommended to Council for approval by Cabinet at its meeting on 11 February 2016. Full Council then adopted the plan at the meeting on 24 February 2016.

2.0 Projects

- 2.1 The current published corporate plan includes, under each priority, operational projects the majority of which were time-limited to the end of the 2016-17 year. As these were approved by Full Council amendments similarly must go to Full Council.

- 2.2 Attached at Appendix A is a table of projects and strategic risks aligned to the achievement of the adopted corporate plan objectives for which approval is sought as amendments to the Corporate Plan projects.
- 2.3 It is important to update projects as appropriate in order to deliver the Corporate Plan 2016-20 aims and ensure that operational projects remain current. Therefore delegated authority to make further amendments as required is additionally sought.
- 2.4 No delegated authority is sought over the policy and objectives as set out within the Corporate Plan – it is a constitutional requirement for full council to approve policy changes. However, it is important to ensure that the published plan is current with respect to operational aspects, the projects that are ongoing, and the relevant performance metrics being tracked (and at the moment this can't be done without every revision going to full council).

3.0 Conclusion and Recommendations

- 3.1 That Cabinet recommends to Full Council to note and approve the amendments to the operational section of the published corporate plan for 17/18 attached at Appendix A.
- 3.2 That Cabinet recommends to Full Council to provide delegated authority to the Chief Executive, in consultation with the Leader, to amend the operational elements of the published plan to ensure an up to date version can be (re)published as often as required.

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