

Review of the Corporate Action Plan 2021-22 (Year 3)

Report of the Head of Strategy and Innovation (Portfolio: Leader)

Recommended:

That the Overview and Scrutiny Committee endorse the progress made through the Corporate Action Plan in year three of the Corporate Plan 2019-2023.

SUMMARY:

- This report will be accompanied by a presentation that the Leader of the Council will make to the Overview and Scrutiny Committee. The presentation will review the progress that the Council has made through its Corporate Action Plan over the last year. The Corporate Action Plan is an annual document that details the actions that will be taken to achieve the ambitions set out in the Corporate Plan 2019-23, Growing Our Potential, which was adopted by Council in April 2019.

1 Introduction

- 1.1 This report sets the context for the Leader of the Council's annual presentation to Overview and Scrutiny Committee which reports on the progress of the projects taken forward in the third year of the Corporate Action Plan in relation to the Corporate Plan 2019-23.

2 Background

- 2.1 The Corporate Plan is underpinned by a Corporate Action Plan, which runs for the four-year lifespan of the Corporate Plan and is updated annually. The Corporate Action plan details specific projects that will allow the Council to make progress towards the ambitions set out in the Corporate Plan.
- 2.2 Each year, a review of the Corporate Action Plan is undertaken to assess the progress that has been made, and to ensure that the key projects the Council is taking forward in pursuit of the corporate aims are being highlighted.
- 2.3 In year three (2021-22), the Corporate Action Plan consisted of fifteen projects. The third year of the Corporate Action plan saw the removal of the Town Mills Riverside Park project due to completion, and the addition of a project on the delivery of the Covid-19 Recovery Plan. A list of all fifteen projects that made up the year three Corporate Action Plan can be accessed via the following link:
<https://testvalley.gov.uk/aboutyourcouncil/corporatedirection/corporate-plan-for-2019-to-2023>

2.4 The Corporate Plan 2019-23 is based around four key priorities:

- (a) Town Centres
- (b) Communities
- (c) People
- (d) Local Environment

The Leader's presentation will review each of the four areas of work, and the projects that fall within these areas.

2.5 The Leader's presentation reviews year three, the penultimate year, of the Corporate Action Plan. Cabinet approved year four of the corporate action plan at its meeting on 30 March 2022.

2.6 As the Council comes to the end of the four-year cycle of the current corporate plan, work has begun to prepare the for the new plan including extensive public engagement across the summer months which will support members in being able to consider a wide range of evidence when developing the new plan in 2023.

3 Conclusion

3.1 The Corporate Action Plan is the vehicle for delivering the priorities set out in the Corporate Plan. During the last year, the Council has made significant progress through the delivery of the projects set out in the year three Corporate Action Plan. This progress towards the Council's strategic aims will form the basis of the Leader's presentation.

<u>Background Papers (Local Government Act 1972 Section 100D)</u>			
None			
<u>Confidentiality</u>			
It is considered that this report does not contain exempt information within the meaning of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972, as amended, and can be made public.			
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