

Corporate Action Plan – Year 2 update

Report of the Leader

Recommended:

To approve the update of the Corporate Action Plan (year 2) as shown in the annex to the report.

SUMMARY:

- The Corporate Action Plan (CAP) is the delivery document for the Corporate Plan.
- The Corporate Action Plan is reviewed and updated by Cabinet on an annual basis and plays an important role in enabling the allocation of resources to key projects from across the organisation.
- This reports sets out the proposals for the update of the CAP for year two. It is proposed that all of the projects currently on the CAP should remain and that one new project be considered for inclusion.

1 Introduction

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is for Cabinet to consider the draft proposed update of the Corporate Action Plan (CAP) for year two.

2 Background

- 2.1 The Corporate Action Plan (CAP) is the delivery document for the Corporate Plan 2019-23: Growing Our Potential. It sets direction and provides a focus for activities and services. As a result it informs decision making and allocation of resources across the Council.

- 2.2 The Corporate Plan sets out four priority aims which focus on growing the potential of:

- **Town Centres** to adapt and be attractive, vibrant and prosperous places,
- **Communities** to be empowered, connected and able to build upon their strengths,
- **People** to be able to live well and fulfil their aspirations,
- The **Local Environment** for current and future generations.

- 2.3 The Corporate Plan is underpinned by the Corporate Action Plan (CAP) which runs for the lifetime of the plan. Each year a review is undertaken to update the CAP to ensure it continues to highlight the significant projects that the Council is taking forward in pursuit of its four corporate aims.

- 2.4 This includes consideration of any new projects, any completed projects to be removed and updating the onward programmes of those projects that will be retained on the action plan.

3 Year two update

- 3.1 Annex one sets out the proposed update of the CAP for year two.
- 3.2 The CAP is a four year programme and reflects the major projects that the Council is delivering in pursuit of its strategic priorities as set out in the Corporate Plan. Given the scale and scope of the projects that form the CAP, it is expected that most projects that feature on the CAP will do so for multiple years.
- 3.3 The update for year two does not therefore recommend removing any of the existing projects from the CAP at this stage. Each of the projects that are proposed to remain on the CAP in year two have been updated to reflect the ongoing focus of the project, building upon the progress that has been made since their inclusion in year one.
- 3.4 There is one new project that is recommended for inclusion on the CAP in year two. This is in respect of the Council's response to having declared a Climate Emergency in September 2019 and will reflect the delivery of the targeted action plan that is being produced. It is proposed therefore that Cabinet considers the following project for inclusion onto the CAP:

(i) Implementing the Climate Emergency Action Plan

To implement, monitor and review the actions contained within the Council's action plan.

4 Review of progress (year one)

- 4.1 At the end of each year the Leader of the Council presents a CAP progress report to the Council's Overview and Scrutiny Committee which is then published on the Council's website. This sets out in detail the progress that has been made against each of the projects contained within the CAP.
- 4.2 The progress report is due to be published on the Council's website in June 2020.

5 Corporate Objectives and Priorities

- 5.1 The CAP is the delivery document of the Council's Corporate Plan and sets out in detail how the Council will make progress across each of the four corporate priorities

6 Consultations/Communications

- 6.1 As part of the development of the Corporate Plan, the Council undertook a wide ranging public consultation which resulted in the views of more than 2000 local people being gathered. This went on to form part of a robust evidence base for shaping the Council's new strategic priorities.

6.2 Many of the CAP projects are outward facing in their nature and as a result the Council engages with the community on a regular basis through these projects where it is appropriate to do so.

7 Options

7.1 Cabinet has the options to either approve the CAP, approve with amendments or not to approve.

8 Risk Management

8.1 An evaluation of the risks indicates that the existing controls in place mean that no significant risks have been identified at this time.

9 Resource Implications

9.1 None

10 Legal Implications

10.1 None

11 Equality Issues

11.1 None

12 Other Issues

12.1 Wards/Communities Affected – All

13 Conclusion and reasons for recommendation

13.1 The Corporate Action Plan

<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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