

Thursday 16th March 2017

REPORT OF THE LEADER OF THE COUNCIL AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE

TAMWORTH BOROUGH COUNCIL
CORPORATE PLAN 2017-2020**EXEMPT INFORMATION**

Not Applicable

PURPOSE

To provide Cabinet Members with the details and information relating to the Council's Corporate Plan for the period 2017-2020 and thereby enables an informed decision on 'adoption'.

RECOMMENDATIONS

That Cabinet Members endorse the ambitions, plans and proposals that comprise the document and in doing so, adopt the Council's Corporate Plan for the period 2017-2020.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Unlike previous years, the focus of this document is almost entirely upon how the Council will use its Corporate Plan, Medium Term Financial Strategy and agreed priorities and objectives to achieve its ambition to shift from a "**surviving**" organisation with efficiency as the key driver to that of a "**thriving**" organisation with long term sustainability as the ultimate aim.

With the overall performance of the Council being reported to Cabinet on a quarterly basis at a public meeting and access to these reports open to the public, the Annual Review element of this report has been excluded. That said, Cabinet Members with portfolios for specific services have taken the opportunity to reflect upon some of the more significant achievements with pride in their respective summaries.

Looking ahead to yet another period of potential uncertainty, it is both prudent and good practice to provide our key stakeholders with the assurance they need that this organisation has a vision, clear priorities that are supported by ambitious yet achievable objectives for our 'place' our 'people' and our 'organisation'.

Our politicians, staff, partners and the public we serve deserve that reassurance and the right to hold the organisation and each other to account. It is consistent with the Council's values, policies and commitments to communicate effectively, to be open to public scrutiny and to be accountable.

The Corporate Plan spans a period of 3 years, the same period as the Medium Term Financial Strategy (MTFS) and in doing so, represents a level of assurance and confidence in the alignment between forward planning and financial planning – what we intend to do, and how we intend to resource it.

The Corporate Plan 2017-2020 is detailed at **Appendix A**. Subject to Cabinet Members approval, the document will be posted on the Council's website and Intranet for access on demand.

OPTIONS CONSIDERED

Not applicable.

RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

There are none arising directly from this report. The ambitions, plans and proposals set out in this plan will be resourced as necessary from the Annual Budget and MTFs as approved by Council at their meeting on 21st February, 2017 (**Minute 41 refers**).

LEGAL/RISK IMPLICATIONS BACKGROUND

There are none arising directly from this report. Any legal or risk implications arising from the Corporate Plan will be addressed using the Project Management Policy or Corporate Risk Register and the relevant Governance infrastructure.

SUSTAINABILITY IMPLICATIONS

There are none arising directly from this report as it is time limited.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The Borough Council has complied with recognised best practice and produced a Corporate Plan annually since 2008.

REPORT AUTHOR

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The report was compiled by John Day and produced by the Council's Graphics Team. Contributions from Cabinet Members and Corporate Management Team members have served to enhance the report.

LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS

- Corporate Vision, Priorities & Objectives
- Annual Budget & MTFs
- Adopted Strategic Framework
- Corporate policies, procedures & plans

APPENDICES

- A – Corporate Plan 2017 - 2020