

Report of:	Meeting	Date
Marianne Hesketh, Corporate Director Communities	Overview and Scrutiny Committee	18 January 2021

Refreshed Business Plan 2019-2023 (Update 2021)

1. Purpose of report

1.1 To provide the Overview and Scrutiny Committee with the draft Business Plan for 2019-2023 (updated for 2021) for consideration.

2. Outcomes

2.1 To ensure that medium and long term resources and service provision are prioritised and planned in accordance with the Medium Term Financial Plan (MTFP), the aspirations of local residents, local research and data and the national policy framework.

3. Recommendation

3.1 To consider the draft business plan for 2019-2023, which has been updated for 2021, prior to seeking Council approval at the meeting on 11 March 2021.

4. Background

- 4.1 Each year, the Council produces a Business Plan. The Business Plan is a key document in the business planning framework and its purpose is to set out the Council's vision and priorities in line with the Medium Term Financial Plan (MTFP). The council has effective performance management arrangements in place which ensures that progress against the Business Plan is reported on a quarterly basis. This includes the involvement and support of Overview and Scrutiny Committee who receive quarterly performance review reports.
- 4.2 This year the production of the business plan has been a little different due to COVID-19 and many of the business plan projects have rolled forward to 2021/22. Corporate Management Team and Heads of Service have inputted to the document. The draft plan has been discussed with

Management Board and will be considered by the Overview and Scrutiny Committee before proceeding to full Council for approval in March.

5. Key issues and proposals

- 5.1 The Business Plan covers a four year period which has been developed to align with the four year election cycle. A new style plan was developed in 2019 and this format has been retained for the 2021 update. The vision remains the same as do the priorities but the projects have been refreshed and updated in particular to ensure that the council can help economic and community recovery following the pandemic. A tracked change version is provided and is attached at Appendix 1. The updated plan will continue to be monitored on a quarterly basis and reported to Overview and Scrutiny Committee.
- **5.2** It is intended to present the final business plan to full Council on 11 March 2021.

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Appendix 1 - Business Plan 2019-2023 (updated 2021)