Agenda Item 7



Policy and Scrutiny

Open Report on behalf of the Chief Information and Commissioning Officer

Report to: Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee

Date: 29 January 2015

Subject: Draft Council Business Plan 2015/2016

Summary:

The purpose of this report is for Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee to consider the outcomes and measures that are the draft Council Business Plan 2015/2016 detailed in Appendix A.

Actions Required:

That the Committee:-

• Comment on the draft Council Business Plan 2015/2016.

1. Background

The recent changes in organisational structure, and focus on a commissioning approach, lead to a need to change the Council's Business Plan to report on the outcomes of the agreed 17 commissioning strategies.

The Council is also looking, where ever possible, to create channel shift to less costly ways of doing business with a move to more self-service. As such it makes sense to have a web based business plan that is the outcomes and measures from the commissioning strategies rather than duplicate information already provided elsewhere. Examples include the Leader's Statement, the budget (which is expected to be formally agreed by Council in February) and demographic and contextual information, provided by the Lincolnshire Research Observatory.

Once the outcomes and measures that are the Council Business Plan have been agreed by Council in February, we will commission an IT system to report progress against Council Business Plan performance. This will then provide elected members with a mechanism to hold commissioning strategy leads to account. A list of commissioning strategy leads is provided in Appendix B.

Commissioning strategies

To have a manageable mechanism for organising the Council Business Plan, the commissioning strategies have been organised in the following four headings:-

- 1. Our communities are safe and protected from harm.
- 2. The health and wellbeing of the population is improved, people remain independent for longer and feel responsible and in control of their own future.

- 3. Businesses are supported to grow and want to invest in the county; people have the skills and training to access local jobs, supported by the right infrastructure and environment.
- 4. We effectively target our resources, so that individuals and communities experience the desired benefits and results.

Next Steps

- Final draft Council Business Plan reported to Executive 4th February.
- Commissioning strategy leads/Executive Directors to discuss 2015/2016 targets for the measures with portfolio holders.
- Council Business Plan approved by Council 20th February 2015.

2. Conclusion

The outcomes and measures in Appendix A are the draft Council Business Plan 2015/2016.

3. Consultation

a) Policy Proofing Actions Required

N/A

4. Appendices

Appendix A – Draft Council Business Plan 2015/16. Appendix B - Commissioning strategy lead officers.

5. Background Papers

No background papers within Section 100D of the Local Government Act 1972 were used in the preparation of this report.

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