



**EXECUTIVE OVERVIEW &
SCRUTINY COMMITTEE:
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Report of: Corporate Director of Transformation and Resources

Relevant Portfolio Holder: Councillor I Moran

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SUBJECT: DRAFT COUNCIL VISION & PLAN 2020/21-2022/23

Wards affected: Borough wide

1.0 PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

- 1.1 To consider the revised draft Council Vision and Plan and endorse the proposed process for approving the final Plan.

2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 That the draft revised Vision and Council Plan at Appendix One to the report be noted.
- 2.2 That the proposed process outlined in paragraph 3.3 of the report for approving the final Plan be endorsed.

3.0 BACKGROUND AND CURRENT POSITION

- 3.1 A Cabinet strategy session reviewed the existing Council Plan, vision, values and priorities in light of what has been achieved, the operating environment and Council's new operating model. It was recognised that there had been significant progress towards achieving the existing Council Plan and a revision to the Plan rather than a refresh was appropriate. A new draft Council Plan has therefore been developed.
- 3.2 In light of Covid-19 and the far reaching implications on Council operations, Communities and Business it is prudent to take account of this in the draft Council Vision and Plan. Although all of the implications are not clear, the impact of Covid-19 is likely to continue to be felt in West Lancashire for the duration of the new Council Plan (2020/21-2022/23). Appendix one is a revision of the draft Council Vision and Plan.

- 3.3 It is proposed that the draft Vision and Plan will undergo scrutiny and stakeholder consultation with the feedback used to refine the final Vision and Council Plan. It is anticipated the final Vision and Council Plan will be brought to Full Council in October 2020, as follows:

Executive Overview & Scrutiny Committee – 25 June 2020

Scrutiny workshop – July 2020

Cabinet – 8 September 2020

Council – 14 October 2020

- 3.4 The current Council Plan will remain in place until the intended adoption of the new Council Plan in October 2020.

4.0 SUSTAINABILITY IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 There are no significant sustainability impacts associated with this report and, in particular, no significant impact on crime and disorder. The vision, values, priorities and key projects set out in Appendix A should contribute to the sustainability of services and the borough as a whole.

5.0 FINANCIAL AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1 The draft Council Plan appended to this report will ensure the Council is able to continue to pursue its objectives, within the resources available. An agreed Council Plan will assist in shaping budget decisions and enable clear priorities to be set for services.

6.0 RISK ASSESSMENT

- 6.1 The development of a corporate strategy for the Council and associated processes mitigates the risks that the Council will not deliver its aspirations within a balanced budget.

7.0 HEALTH AND WELLBEING IMPLICATIONS

- 7.1 There are no health and wellbeing implications arising from this report.

Background Documents

There are no background documents (as defined in Section 100D(5) of the Local Government Act 1972) to this Report.

Equality Impact Assessment

There is no evidence from an initial assessment of an adverse impact on equality in relation to the equality target groups.

Appendices

Appendix One: Revised Draft Council Vision and Plan