

Bath & North East Somerset Council		
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TITLE:	Bath and North East Somerset Council Corporate Strategy 2016-20	
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Appendix 1: Bath and North East Somerset Council Corporate Strategy 2016-20		

## **1 THE ISSUE**

- 1.1 This report presents the draft Bath and North East Somerset Council Corporate Strategy 2016-20 for approval. The Corporate Strategy has been shaped by and will deliver the 'Putting Residents First' manifesto commitments.

## **2 RECOMMENDATION**

Cabinet is asked to:

- 2.1 Approve the Bath and North East Somerset Council Corporate Strategy 2016-20.

## **3 RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS (FINANCE, PROPERTY, PEOPLE)**

- 3.1 The Corporate Strategy provides the context for the medium term financial strategy.

## **4 STATUTORY CONSIDERATIONS AND BASIS FOR PROPOSAL**

- 4.1 The Corporate Strategy is the Council's overarching strategic plan and forms a part of the Policy and Budget Framework in the Council's constitution. It is not a legal requirement to produce a Corporate Strategy; however, it is an essential business management tool and will provide a clear framework for officers and members to work within.

## **5 THE REPORT**

- 5.1 The Council's Corporate Strategy 2016-2020 is attached at Appendix 1. It sets out the 2020 beautifully inventive vision and our direction of travel over the next 4 years. The Corporate Strategy has been shaped by and will deliver the 'Putting Residents First' manifesto commitments.

- 5.2 Once agreed by Cabinet the Corporate Strategy will become the overarching framework for Council business until 2020. It will also set the context for our financial strategy over the same period. A formatted version of the Corporate Strategy will be published alongside the budget.
- 5.3 The Corporate Strategy is not intended to capture everything that the Council does nor does it include the detail of our work and projects. That is the role of the Directorate and Service plans which will flow from the Corporate Strategy.

#### Directorate Plans

- 5.4 New Directorate Plans will flow from the Corporate Strategy and set out both the strategic and financial ambitions of each Directorate. They will set out in further detail how we will deliver on the 'Putting Residents First' manifesto commitments.
- 5.5 Directorate Plans will replace the Medium Term Service and Resource Plans (MTSRPs). They will include, as an appendix, the Directorate budget summary and details of growth and 2015 savings proposals. Directorate Plans will be submitted to PDS in November as part of the normal budget development process.

#### Performance management

- 5.6 The Corporate Strategy will be performance managed against the 4 corporate priorities (a focus on prevention; a strong economy and growth; a new relationship with customers and communities and an efficient business) and outcomes in the Directorate Plans. This corporate approach to performance management will enable the Council to understand how we are delivering on our commitments.

## **6 RATIONALE**

- 6.1 The Corporate Strategy is the Council's business plan setting the context for all Council activity.

## **7 OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED**

- 7.1 None.

## **8 CONSULTATION**

- 8.1 The Strategy builds on our 2020 vision which was developed in consultation with the Council, NHS, police, local business, fire service and the voluntary sector.

## **9 RISK MANAGEMENT**

- 9.1 A risk assessment related to the issue and recommendations will be undertaken, in compliance with the Council's decision making risk management guidance.

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<b>Background papers</b>	Cabinet report in July 2015: Cabinet Aims and Priorities - <a href="http://democracy.bathnes.gov.uk/documents/s36705/E2776%20Cabinet%20Priorities.pdf">http://democracy.bathnes.gov.uk/documents/s36705/E2776%20Cabinet%20Priorities.pdf</a>
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