Bath & North East Somerset Council	
MEETING:	**Corporate Policy Development & Scrutiny Panel**
MEETING:	**23 July 2024**
TITLE:	**Corporate Strategy end-of-year review 2023/24**
WARD:	All
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Appendix 1: Report to Cabinet, 6 June 2024

Appendix 2: Corporate Strategy End of Year Review

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Appendix 4: Extract from minutes of cabinet meeting, 6 June 2024

1 THE ISSUE

1.1 A report providing an update on progress delivering the Corporate Strategy 2023-27 and Annual Performance Report 2023-24 was presented to cabinet on 6 June 2024. This report invites the Panel to consider this report and the cabinet's response and actions arising from it.

2 RECOMMENDATION

The Panel is asked to;

2.1 Note and discuss the report and associated documents

3 THE REPORT

3.1 . The report sets out Bath & North East Somerset Council's progress on delivering its Corporate Strategy commitments to residents in 2023-24. The Corporate Strategy 2023-27 was adopted unanimously at Council at its meeting in July 2023.

3.2 The papers for and minutes of the cabinet report are presented as appendices to this report for the panel's consideration.

3.3 The report highlights the scope of the council's work and the far-reaching impact the council has on improving people's lives, including:

- A seventh place ranking out of 388 councils on climate action. Measures to tackle the climate and ecological emergencies included being the first in the country to adopt an energy-based net zero policy for new housing developments.

- Our Park & Ride schemes placed second in the country for customer satisfaction

- The local economy boosted by £47m - by more than 450,000 visitors to the 2023 Bath Christmas Market

- More than a million visitors to the Roman Baths over the past year, contributing to the vibrancy of the local economy.

3.4 A key priority in the Corporate Strategy is to support vulnerable adults and children. In 2023/24 the council supported:

- more than 1,800 people in adult social care settings

- more than 200 looked-after children

- 2,230 children on Education, Health & Care Plans

- 141 children on Child Protection Plans

3.5 The Community Wellbeing Hub also opened an outreach base at Bath's Royal United Hospital to provide extra support for people being discharged, receiving 1,803 referrals in 2022/23.

3.6 To help deliver the council's priority of the right homes in the right places, fifty affordable homes have been made available for residents. More than 400 Ukrainian guests have been welcomed under the Homes for Ukraine scheme.

3.7 To further embed the delivery of the Corporate Strategy across the council a report was presented to cabinet on July 11th recommending revisions to the Council's Strategic Performance indicators to demonstrate better alignment to the Corporate Strategy 2023-2027 and provide a basis for assessing performance against the delivery of that strategy.

4 STATUTORY CONSIDERATIONS

4.1 The report and the Corporate Strategy reflect a wide range of council statutory frameworks.

5 RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS (FINANCE, PROPERTY, PEOPLE)

5.1 These are no direct resource implications arising from this report.

6 RISK MANAGEMENT

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

7 CLIMATE CHANGE

7.1 Tackling the climate and ecological emergency is a core policy of the council's Corporate Strategy, as reflected in the report to cabinet.

8   OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED

8.1 None

9   CONSULTATION

9.1 The Deputy Council Leader (non-statutory) and Cabinet Member for Council Priorities & Delivery have been consulted on the drafting of this report as well as the Chief Executive, Executive Director for Resources and Monitoring Officer.

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Background papers	[Corporate Strategy 2023-27](#)
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