

REPORT TO COUNCIL

Date of Meeting: 20th October 2020

Report of: Chief Executive & Growth Director

Title: Our Strategy – Corporate Plan Autumn 2020 Update

Is this a Key Decision?

No

Is this an Executive or Council Function?

Council

1. What is the report about?

1.1 The report presents an update to the council's 2018-21 Corporate Plan.

2. Recommendations

2.1 It is recommended that:

- Council approves Our Strategy – Corporate Plan Autumn 2020 Update
- Any necessary drafting amendments before publication be delegated to the Chief Executive, in consultation with the Leader of the Council.

3. Reasons for the recommendation

3.1 To endorse publication of the plan, to enable members, employees and stakeholders to be informed about the council's updated, key priorities.

4. What are the resource implications including non-financial resources?

4.1 There are no resource implications. Funding for any projects or initiatives identified in the plan will be considered as they are approved on an individual basis.

5. Section 151 Officer Comments

None

6. What are the legal aspects?

None

7. Monitoring Officer's comments

None

8. Report details

8.1 The aim of the corporate plan is:

- to promote understanding and ownership of the council's achievements, direction and priorities;
- to set out some of the key actions the council will be taking;
- to enable reporting on progress with priorities

8.2 The corporate plan was originally published in October 2018. It set out how, as leaders of the city and the council, we would:

- Help deliver the emerging Exeter Vision 2040, by providing services and developments that build on Exeter's growth and success and meet local communities' aspirations
- Focus on strategic programmes that address the current, major challenges facing the city
- Run a successful and effective council

8.3 In summary, the autumn 2020 update effectively retains the priorities in the original plan, but places greater emphasis on the delivering Net Zero Exeter 2030 and the recovery work in response to the Covid-19 pandemic. There are also updates on promoting active and healthy lifestyles and building great neighbourhoods.

9. What risks are there and how can they be reduced?

9.1 The risks of projects or initiatives identified in the plan will be assessed as they are approved on an individual basis and included in the Council's Risk Register as appropriate.

10. Equality Act 2010 (The Act)

10.1 In recommending this proposal no potential impact has been identified on people with protected characteristics as determined by the Act because impacts will be assessed as required by the projects and initiatives identified in the plan.

11. Carbon Footprint (Environmental) Implications

11.1 The updated plan confirms that delivering Net Zero Exeter 2030 is a key priority for the council.

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Background papers used in compiling this report:-

None

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