

CABINET

15 September 2015

STRATEGIC AIMS AND OBJECTIVES - PROCESS

Report of the Chief Executive

Strategic Aim:	All	
Key Decision: No	Forward Plan Reference: FP/100715/04	
Exempt Information	No	
Cabinet Member(s) Responsible:	Mr R B Begy , Leader of the Council	
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Ward Councillors	N/A	

DECISION RECOMMENDATIONS

That Cabinet:

1. RECOMMENDS TO COUNCIL that no change is required to the Council's Vision statement
2. Approves the process outlined in the this report to refresh the Council's Strategic Aims and Objectives

1 PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

- 1.1 This report seeks Cabinet approval for the process to review the Council's Strategic Aims and Objectives.

2 BACKGROUND AND MAIN CONSIDERATIONS

- 2.1 The current Council vision statement and strategic aims and objectives were approved in the last Council based on Report 63/2012 (attached for reference as Appendix A to this report) at the Council meeting on 16th April 2012.
- 2.2 This report established the vision, aims and objectives for the period 2012 – 2016. It is now therefore timely that with the new Council in place to review our current aims and objectives.
- 2.3 The vision statement and aims and objectives form a key strategic document for the Council. They set for the relevant period a clear statement of the strategic direction for the Council. They support decision making and guide resource allocation. As such they provide a fundamental backdrop to decision making.

3 THE PROCESS FOR REVIEWING OUR STRATEGIC AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

3.1 The current Vision statement is not proposed to change. It is still considered to be 'fit for purpose' and reflect the overriding aspirations of the Council and the County. The current vision statement is "Rutland is a great place to live, learn, work, play and visit."

3.2 The following process and timetable is proposed for a review of the Council's strategic aims and objectives.

Action	Timescales and Key Dates
Approval by Cabinet of process and timetable	15 th September 2015
Aims and Objectives reviewed by All Scrutiny Panels	1 st October 2015 – Adults and Health Scrutiny Panel 8 th October 2015 – Places Scrutiny Panel 12 th November 2015 – Resources Scrutiny Panel 19 th November 2015 – Children and Young People Scrutiny Panel
Aims and Objectives reviewed by the Rutland Local Strategic Partnership and the LSP Sub Groups	October / November 2015 (Date TBC) Workshop to be held in November 2015
Feedback to Cabinet and presentation of final draft	15 th December 2015
On-line consultation on draft aims and objectives	16 th December to 31 st January 2016
Final report to Cabinet	16 th February 2016
Cabinet recommendation to Council	14 th March 2016

4 CONSULTATION

4.1 It is proposed that during the period 16th December 2015 and 31st January 2016 and on-line consultation exercise is undertaken. This will be augmented by a communications programme that will include:-

- A presentation to the Parish Council Forum
- Press releases highlighting the consultation period
- Utilising our annual consultation process about the budget to highlight this consultation
- Displays at our public buildings – Libraries, Catmose and the Museum
- Attendance at key forums with stakeholders

5 ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

5.1 Alternative options have not been considered.

6 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 6.1 The vision statement and aims and objectives form a key strategic document for the Council. They set for the relevant period a clear statement of the strategic direction for the Council. They support decision making and guide resource allocation. As such they provide a fundamental backdrop to decision making.
- 6.2 The costs associated with consultation will be met from within existing budgets and are anticipated to be minimal i.e. circa £500.

7 LEGAL AND GOVERNANCE CONSIDERATIONS

- 7.1 Full Council is responsible for approving the Council's Policy Framework of which the Council's Strategic Aims and Objectives (including the vision statements) form a part. This is set out in Article 4 of the Constitution.

8 EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT

- 8.1 An Equality Impact Assessment (EqIA) screening form has been completed. No adverse or other significant issues were found.

9 COMMUNITY SAFETY IMPLICATIONS

- 9.1 There are no community safety implications.

10 HEALTH AND WELLBEING IMPLICATIONS

- 10.1 There are no health and wellbeing implications.

11 CONCLUSION AND SUMMARY OF REASONS FOR THE RECOMMENDATIONS

- 11.1 The proposed process and timetable will enable as has happened for previous Council terms the new Council to review our strategic aims and objectives and put in place before the end of the first municipal year a clear revised strategic direction for the Council.

12 BACKGROUND PAPERS

- 12.1 There are no additional background papers to the report.

13 APPENDICES

- 13.1 Appendix A – Report 63/2012

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