

# "CREATING A BETTER FUTURE TOGETHER" SHROPSHIRE COUNCIL'S PROGRAMME OF TRANSFORMATION – DRAFT BLUEPRINT

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# Summary

This report introduces the "Creating a Better Future Together", document the draft blueprint for the Councils' programme of transformation (Appendix 1).

It sets out the framework for an ambitious, major programme of change, designed to transform the way in which the Council works, and to realise major reductions in our costs, over the next three years.

### Recommendations

A. That Council approve the "Creating a Better Future Together", as the framework for taking forward for the Council's programme of transformation.

## Report

- 1. The purpose of "Creating a Better Future Together", the blueprint for our programme of transformation, is to set out a clear vision for Shropshire Council. It also seeks to clarify our priorities, based on the things we care about and value, and to outline the key developments we will be engaged in, with our local partners, over the next three years.
- 2. The blueprint is organised around place, people, and the way we will work in future. It describes how we are responding to rising public expectations and changing demographics, and to the requirement to make £60m of savings over the next three years.
- 3. It draws together the work we have done to date, and our plans to move towards a much more locally responsive organisation, under a new operating model for the Council.
- 4. A new Shropshire Council Business Plan 2011 2013 will be presented to Council on 24 February 2011. The Plan will set the context for how the Council, through it's programme of transformation, will deliver the vision of our agreed longer term Community Strategy 'A Flourishing Shropshire'.
- 5. The Council's Cabinet considered the "Creating a Better Future Together" the draft blueprint for the Council's programme of transformation, at its meeting on 29 September 2010. Any comments or suggested amends to the blueprint will be verbally reported to this meeting.

List of Background Papers (This MUST be completed for all reports, but does not
include items containing exempt or confidential information)

#### Human Rights Act Appraisal

The recommendations contained in this report are compatible with the provisions of the Human Rights Act 1998

#### **Environmental Appraisal**

Any environmental issues which may be associated with the programme for transformation will be addressed at project level during the implementation of the programme.

#### **Risk Management Appraisal**

Assessment of risks which may be associated with the programme for transformation will be addressed through the work streams during the implementation of the programme.

#### **Community / Consultations Appraisal**

An overarching Consultation Plan for the programme of transformation will be developed to ensure community and stakeholder views are captured and used to inform decisions around transforming key services, to avoid duplication and ensure value for money is achieved.

#### Cabinet Member – Keith Barrow Leader

Local Member

#### Appendices (incl format(s) available)

Appendix 1 – "Creating a Better Future Together" Shropshire Council's programme for transformation – draft blue print

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