

Shropshire Council Draft Transitional Corporate Plan 2010-2013

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Summary

This report introduces the draft Transitional Corporate Plan 2010-2013 (Appendix 1). The draft plan has been developed in conjunction with the development of the Community Strategy for Shropshire 2010-2020.

Recommendations

- A. That Council review and agree the Shropshire Council draft Transitional Corporate Plan 2010-2013, subject to the annual review process.
- B. That the Corporate Plan be reviewed as part of the Council's corporate planning cycle.

REPORT

1. Council approved the existing Corporate Plan 2009/2013 on 16 July 2009, with the proviso that a further review of the plan, including the priorities, be conducted as part of the annual review process
2. Cabinet considered the draft Transitional Corporate Plan at its meeting on 24th February 2010. Any comments or amends to the plan will be verbally reported to this meeting.
3. The Council's Corporate Plan is the planning link between the strategic objectives established in the Community Strategy for Shropshire (and Local Area Agreement), the Council specific objectives within directorate/service plans and the national/regional agenda.
4. The review of the Corporate Plan has been developed against a backdrop of the worst recession for many years and the prospect of the changes a general election may bring. This plan is seen as a transitional plan which aims to provide a flexible strategic planning framework. It will give the Council time to recast its priorities in order to reflect the emerging national political context.

5. This plan reports on a lesser number of measures than in the previous Corporate Plan. It also monitors the progress of key projects. This approach will provide a clearer picture of the outcomes and impact of council activities and is in line with the way the external inspection framework is developing.
6. Directorates will continue to monitor their services to evaluate the success of projects and activities. This information can be used as further evidence for performance monitoring purposes as appropriate.
6. The annual review process will commence in autumn 2010 and will reflect emerging priorities and the budget consultation process. The revised corporate plan is presented to full Council each year for approval along with the proposed budget.

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

Shropshire Partnership's draft Community Strategy 2010-2020

Shropshire Local Area Agreement 2008-11

Shropshire Comprehensive Area Assessment 2009

Shropshire Council Organisational Assessment 2009

Shropshire Children's Trust Children & Young People's Plan

Human Rights Act Appraisal

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

Environmental Appraisal

Any environmental issues which may be associated with the Corporate Plan will be addressed at service level during the implementation of the plan.

Risk Management Appraisal

There is a risk that if Shropshire Council does not review its Corporate Plan it would not continue to reflect the priorities for Shropshire.

Community / Consultations Appraisal

Consultation during the development stage of Shropshire's draft Community Strategy has informed development of the Corporate Plan.

Cabinet Member

Keith Barrow, Leader of Shropshire Council

Local Member

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Appendices

Appendix 1 - Shropshire Council draft Transitional Corporate Plan 2010-2013 – attached separately to the agenda papers.