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SHROPSHIRE COMMUNITY AND RURAL STRATEGY CONSULTATION

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Summary

This paper highlights to members the current consultation on a Community and Rural Strategy for Shropshire, which runs till 6th December 2020.

Recommendation

The Partnership is recommended to comment on the information provided.

Background

The development of a Community and Rural Strategy for Shropshire sets out to realise local policy intentions and to reflect Government policy and strategy, including the Industrial Strategy, the Clean Growth Strategy and the 25 Year Environment Plan. The first element of the strategy is based around developing evidence based shared priorities for Shropshire as a whole, that are also relevant and recognisable to local communities. The second looks at how these can be implemented across the County and providing the framework for their delivery at a Shropshire Council area level and through action and delivery within and by local areas.

The Shared Priorities identified in the draft strategy are as follows:

Vision: Sustainable Shropshire communities through local action

Aim: Shropshire; a great place to live, work, visit and play for everyone

Shared priorities:

- Keeping everyone happy and healthy, whatever their age
- Helping people who are lonely to connect with others and enjoy themselves
- Finding effective and sustainable ways to move people around
- Embracing the skills and experience of our older generation
- Making sure we have the right homes in the right places
- Attracting and keeping young people in the county and developing a skilled workforce
- Continuously improving physical and digital connectivity
- Reducing our impact on the climate, nature and the wider environment

List of Background Papers

Draft Shropshire Community and Rural Strategy, Collaborate, change together and achieve, September 2020 https://shropshire.gov.uk/get-involved/community-and-rural-strategy-2020/.

Human Rights Act Appraisal

The information in this report is compatible with the Human Rights Act 1998.

Environmental Appraisal

The recommendation in this paper will contribute to the conservation of protected landscapes.

Risk Management Appraisal

Risk management has been appraised as part of the considerations of this report.

Community / Consultations Appraisal

The topics raised in this paper have been the subject of earlier consultations with Partnership members.

Appendices

None