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CORPORATE BUSINESS PLAN 2010 -2015

REPORT OF HEAD OF PARTNERSHIPS, COMMUNICATIONS AND  
IMPROVEMENT

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RECENT REFERENCES:

CAB 1935 – Corporate Business Plan 2010 -2015 (9 December 2009)

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

As part of the corporate planning process, the current Corporate Business Plan is reviewed and any changes included in a revised draft for consultation. The draft has now been considered by Principal Scrutiny Committee, the four Scrutiny Panels and Cabinet. This report presents the draft Corporate Business Plan 2010-2015 for approval by Council.

As Cabinet on 9 December 2009 made no further changes to the Business Plan (see Minute 554 on page 4 of the Council Minute Book), the appendix attached to Report CAB 1935 remains the version for approval at this stage. Further consultation will take place with parish and town councils, the business community and the Winchester District Strategic Partnership in January 2010. Should any further proposed amendments arise from the consultation, these will be included in a final report to Council in February 2010.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council approves the Corporate Business Plan 2010 -2015, as attached as Appendix 1 to Report CAB 1935, subject to any further proposed amendments arising from the remainder of the consultation process.

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#### 1. Introduction

- 1.1 As part of the corporate planning process, the current Corporate Business Plan is reviewed and any changes included in a revised draft for consultation. The consultation is taking place alongside the planned consultation on budget proposals via the November 2009 Scrutiny Panels, and with parish and town councils, the business community and the Winchester District Strategic Partnership in January 2010.

#### 2 Background

- 2.1 The Leader has agreed that the current Winchester District Sustainable Community Strategy (SCS) will be reviewed in Spring 2010, so priorities for the District as set out in the SCS remain the same for now. The SCS reflects the priorities of the Hampshire Local Area Agreement. Members will recall that the Council no longer has a 'corporate strategy' and takes its strategic objectives directly from the SCS.
- 2.2 The Corporate Business Plan comprises an introduction setting out the Council's values and the outcome it is aiming to achieve for itself, ie to be an efficient and effective organisation. This is followed by a summary of the major programmes of work which the Council will undertake in future years, including their relevance to the SCS. Many of these programmes contain major projects which will take a number of years to complete and will therefore be rolled forward if it is agreed that they should continue.

#### 3.0 Consultation Process

- 3.1 The draft has now been considered by Cabinet, Principal Scrutiny Committee and the four Scrutiny Panels. This report presents the draft Corporate Business Plan 2010-2015 for approval, subject to any further proposed amendments arising from the remainder of the consultation process. Further consultation will take place with parish and town councils, the business community and the Winchester District Strategic Partnership in January 2010. Should any further proposed amendments arise during the remainder of the consultation process, they will be included in a final report to Council in February 2010.

- 3.2 In line with comments raised in the consultation so far, the summary of major projects has been revised and now includes an additional column summarising the outcomes expected from each programme and the way these outcomes will be quantified via relevant performance indicators.

OTHER CONSIDERATIONS:

4. SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITY STRATEGY AND CORPORATE BUSINESS PLAN (RELEVANCE TO):

- 4.1 The Corporate Business Plan sets out major programmes of work and their relevance to the SCS.

5. RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS:

- 5.1 Programmes within the Corporate Business Plan are subject to the budget process.

6. RISK MANAGEMENT ISSUES

- 6.1 The Council's approach to risk assessment and management is set out in the Risk Strategy. Individual programmes/projects within the Corporate Business Plan are assigned a risk score as part of the corporate project management process. Mitigation against identified risks is built into each project plan. Significant strategic and operational risks are identified on the Covalent performance management system with specific management actions. These risks will be reviewed over the period.

BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS:

None

APPENDICES:

None