

EAST HERTS COUNCIL

JOINT MEETING OF SCRUTINY COMMITTEES – 9 FEBRUARY 2016

REPORT BY THE EXECUTIVE MEMBER FOR FINANCE AND
SUPPORT SERVICES

CORPORATE STRATEGIC PLAN 2016/17 – 2019/20

WARD(S) AFFECTED: ALL

Purpose/Summary of Report:

- To present a draft of the council’s Corporate Strategic Plan which outlines its priorities for the next four years (2016/17 – 2019/20) and the key outcomes it is looking to achieve.

**RECOMMENDATION FOR JOINT MEETING OF SCRUTINY
COMMITTEES:**

(A)	The draft 2016/17 – 2019/20 Corporate Strategic Plan be recommended to Council for Approval.
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1.0 Background

1.1 The Council’s Corporate Strategic Plan sets out the strategic priorities and key actions the council wants to deliver over the next four years.

2.0 Report

2.1 The draft Plan has been arrived at through a lengthy process of Member consideration and deliberation, informed by the new integrated finance and business planning process led by officers.

2.2 The key milestones have been as follows:

- July to September 2015: reviews and self-assessments by all services to consider what can be achieved over the next four years and to establish a base budget for the council;
- 3rd October: Member away day on key priorities;
- 20th October: Member “voting” session on service delivery options;

- 23rd November: Executive and CMT away day on key priorities.

2.3 The draft Corporate Strategic Plan is attached in **Essential Reference Paper 'B'**. It sets out the key themes and objectives that the Council wishes to achieve between now and 2019/20. It also contains the key actions and performance indicators that will help ensure the themes and objectives are delivered. These will be refreshed annually.

2.4 The financial Implications associated with delivering the corporate strategic plan are set out in the Budget Report and the 2016/17 – 2019/20 Medium Term Financial Plan. This report was presented to Joint Scrutiny Committee on 19 January 2016 and Executive on 2 February 2016.

2.5 Following adoption by Full Council, the Corporate Strategic Plan will be designed and then published on the Council website.

3.0 Implications/Consultations

3.1 Information on any corporate issues and consultation associated with this report can be found within **Essential Reference Paper 'A'**.

Background Papers

None.

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