

EXECUTIVE MEETING ON 12 JULY 2022



DECISION SHEETS

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12	Transforming East Herts Update and Commercial Strategy	That the Transforming East Herts Business Case be endorsed.	To provide a framework for how East Herts Council approaches commercial	Adopt the Commercial Strategy -	

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		That the Commercial Strategy be approved.	opportunities; and to identify the skills that staff need in order to solve problems through a commercial mind-set.	<p>Recommended - to provide the framework to develop income generating ideas from staff and change mind sets to solve problems and make staff think differently.</p> <p>Endorse the Transforming East Herts</p>	

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				<p>Business Case – Recommended</p> <p>– We are now at the point of having to take hard decisions. The Transforming East Herts Programme continues to develop to protect front line services and staff.</p>	

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				<p>Operate without a commercial strategy - Not Recommended - this will stifle innovation, creative thinking and lead to slower cultural change as part of transforming East Herts.</p> <p>Continue as is</p>	

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				<p>without addressing the budget shortfall. The council will risk the budget becoming unsustainable which may result in unplanned service and staffing reductions - Not Recommended</p>	
13	Social Value Policy	a) Approve the Social Value	Whilst there is a legal duty to consider Social	Adopt the policy at	

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		<p>Policy at Appendix A;</p> <p>b) Delegate to the Head of Legal & Democratic Services the authority to amend Contract Procedure Rules to reflect the new policy;</p> <p>c) Endorse the</p>	<p>Value, a more structured approach to secure wider social, economic, and environmental benefits has been shown to deliver additional Social Value to taxpayers and have the potential to contribute to 'levelling up' and 'build back better'.</p> <p>In the Levelling Up white paper the Government has signalled its</p>	<p>Appendix A – Recommended - so that the council complies with the duties under the Public Services (Social Value) Act 2012.</p> <p>Not adopt the policy – Not recommended – the council will not be in compliance with the Public</p>	

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		<p>Social Value Maturity Index results and the suggested action plan items for improvement at Appendix C; and</p> <p>d) Approve that Cllr Williamson be the lead Member for Social Value and that the Head of</p>	<p>intention to “legislate to put social value at the heart of government spending – weaving a thread of social improvement and civic responsibility through the UK Government’s £300bn annual expenditure on procurement”. It is therefore important for the council to have a social value policy to ensure we are helping to level up across the</p>	<p>Services (Social Value) Act 2012 and will not be able to gain the benefits of social value in terms of social, economic, and environmental benefits that will support delivery of the corporate plan.</p>	

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		Strategic Finance & Property be the lead officer with responsibility for reporting, managing and delivering Social Value across procurement and commissioning.	district.		
14	Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act (RIPA)	That the Executive considered the content of the report	Whilst the Council does not actively make use of its RIPA powers, it is	To not review the policy or implement the identified	

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	Policy Annual Review	<p>and provided any observations to the Head of Legal and Democratic Services.</p> <p>The revised Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act (RIPA) Policy at Appendix A be adopted.</p>	<p>important that RIPA, the policy and its usage, or otherwise, are kept at the forefront of Members' minds.</p> <p>Updating the policy to reflect the new CHIS(CC)A displays that the Council is aware of the new legislation and the Members have applied their minds to its existence.</p>	<p>changes, this is NOT RECOMMENDED as to do so would inevitably lead to the policy eventually becoming out of date and place the Council in a position where it was not meeting its legal obligations.</p>	