

2 November 2015

Policy, Finance and Resources Committee

Adoption of the Vision for Brentwood 2016 - 2019

Report of: *Gregory Campbell, Programme and Project Manager*

Wards Affected: *All*

This report is: *Public*

1. Executive Summary

- 1.1 This report asks Members to adopt the three year plan 'Vision for Brentwood covering 2016 - 2019 This vision replaces the previous corporate plan 2013 – 16, setting out clear strategic direction for the Council. Leading to projects and programmes to be formulated in order to deliver the plans objectives.
- 1.2 Following public consultation on the Council's priorities the draft vision for Brentwood 2016 - 2019 was placed on deposit from the end of the last Policy, Resources and Finance Committee to the end of September 2015.
- 1.3 Some minor comments have been received and incorporated into the document.

2. Recommendation(s)

- 2.1 That the new draft corporate plan 'Vision for Brentwood' 2016-2019 be recommended to Council for approval and adoption**
- 2.2 That it be agreed that heads of service develop and mature work programmes to deliver the 'Vision for Brentwood' 2016-2019 in consultation with the chair of the relevant committee**

3. Introduction and Background

- 3.1 At the Policy, Finance and Resources Committee held on the 23rd June 2015, it was agreed that resident groups, statutory partners, voluntary partners and interested groups be given the opportunity to put forward

their priorities for the Council, through a 6 week consultation, and thus influence the Corporate Plan 'Vision for Brentwood' 2016 – 2019.

On the 15th September the results of the consultation and a proposed draft 'Vision for Brentwood 2016 -2019' was tabled to the Policy, Finance and Resources Committee. It was agreed to put the 'Vision' on deposit for comment and feedback until the end of September 2015.

- 3.2 The period of deposit and comment is now over. The document has had some minor amendments to include updated key partners, measures of success and some formatting issues, which were identified following member, officer and public consultation. The document is now before members for approval and recommendation to go forward to full Council.

4. Issue, Options and Analysis of Options

- 4.1 The Corporate Plan 2013 – 2016 will be reaching the end of its natural life this year and the Council has developed its successor to take the organisation forward for its residents and other stakeholders.

- 4.2 The 'Vision for Brentwood' is a clear statement of the Council's high level intentions. From the key priorities, a clear programme of work will be developed in order to achieve the vision. In turn, service plans and individual appraisals will be aligned to work towards the main focuses of the vision, all underpinned by the Council's core values.

5. Reasons for Recommendation

- 5.1 The recommendation is based on the previous comments received, the need for a plan to be adopted which identifies political priorities, the need to be ever more efficient and develop a modern thinking and delivering council.
- 5.2 The need to identify projects to deliver the programmes of work which the vision can be achieved.

6. Consultation

- 6.1 Members of the Council, officers and residents were given the opportunity to comment on the proposed draft 'Vision for Brentwood 2016- 2019.

7. References to Corporate Plan

- 7.1 This consultation and production of a new 'Vision for Brentwood' replaces the previous plan and is in line with and continues to deliver 'A modern Council' which considers how the Council looks and works and will be transformed.

8. Implications

Financial Implications

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There are no financial implications arising directly from this report.

Legal Implications

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- 8.1 The 'Vision for Brentwood 2016 - 2019' is required to be approved by full Council under the terms of the Council's Constitution (Article 4).

Other Implications (where significant) – i.e. Health and Safety, Asset Management, Equality and Diversity, Risk Management, Section 17 – Crime & Disorder, Sustainability, ICT.

- 8.2 This will be dependent on the acceptance of the new 'Vision for Brentwood', and the types of projects and work which will be required to achieve them. This will form the next phase of work which needs to be completed.

9. Background Papers

- 9.1 Corporate Plan 2013-2015
- 9.2 Consultation questionnaire- 15th July to 25th August 2015

10. Appendices to this report

Appendix A – Draft 'Vision for Brentwood' 2016 -2019

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