

WIRRAL COUNCIL

CABINET

18th February 2013

SUBJECT:	2013-2016 CORPORATE PLAN
WARD/S AFFECTED:	ALL
REPORT OF:	CHIEF EXECUTIVE
RESPONSIBLE PORTFOLIO HOLDER:	COUNCILLOR PHIL DAVIES
KEY DECISION?	YES

1.0 BACKGROUND AND KEY ISSUES

- 1.1 This report presents Cabinet with a 3 year Corporate Plan (2013-2016) for consideration.
- 1.2 The proposed priorities set out in the Corporate Plan have been based on the “What Really Matters” consultation programme and provide a framework for delivering savings during 2013-2014.
- 1.3 Cabinet are requested to approve the new Corporate Plan and its referral to Council for approval at its meeting on the 5th March 2013.

2.0 BACKGROUND AND KEY ISSUES

- 2.1 On the 5th March 2013, Council will be requested to approve a year three Corporate Plan which sets out the vision and priorities for the Council, and at the same meeting approve a medium term financial strategy and budget for 2013/14.
- 2.2 The Corporate Plan will be produced in two parts. Part one (appendix 1 of this report) provides the vision and priorities for the Council which will provide the strategic framework and principles for budget savings to be delivered during the 2013/14 financial year.
- 2.3 Part two of the Corporate Plan will outline the key deliverables and measures of success to ensure we are delivering against the vision and priorities as set out in part one.
- 2.4 Strategic directorates will also develop plans to ensure successful delivery of the Corporate Plan vision and priorities.
- 2.5 The Council has been working in close partnership with the Local Government Association through Wirral’s Improvement Board to oversee the delivery of the Council’s Improvement Plan. The Corporate Plan will be central to the Council’s overall delivery framework for 2013-2016, and therefore Wirral’s Improvement Board

will consider a draft of the 2013-16 Corporate Plan at its meeting on the 1st March 2013 in order ensure its alignment to the improvement plan.

3.0 RELEVANT RISKS

3.1 The Corporate Risk Register will be updated in line with the new Corporate Plan to ensure that any risks to delivering the Council's goals are understood and mitigating actions are put in place as appropriate.

4.0 OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED

4.1 Not applicable.

5.0 CONSULTATION

5.1 The priorities within the Corporate Plan will be embedded through continuous and extensive engagement with Council staff, our partners and Wirral residents. The Council's recent "What Really Matters" exercise has informed the Corporate Plan priorities to reflect the consultation that has taken place with local residents and stakeholders.

6.0 IMPLICATIONS FOR VOLUNTARY, COMMUNITY AND FAITH GROUPS

6.1 The Corporate Plan for 2013-2016 sets a commitment in relation to working with voluntary, community and faith sector organisations to improve outcomes for local people.

7.0 RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS: FINANCIAL; IT; STAFFING; AND ASSETS

7.1 The Corporate Plan informs the Medium Term Financial Strategy and the Annual Budget which seek to allocate available resources to deliver the priorities as set out in the Corporate Plan.

8.0 LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

8.1 Legal implications relating to the actions relating to priorities identified with the Corporate Plan will be addressed by strategic directorates as appropriate.

9.0 EQUALITIES IMPLICATIONS

9.1 An equality impact assessment is attached to this report.

9.2 In developing individual strategic directorate plans, strategic directorates will also be expected to address equalities implications as appropriate, including undertaking Equality Impact Assessments in line with corporate requirements.

10.0 CARBON REDUCTION AND ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

10.1 Any carbon reduction implications relating to priorities identified with the Corporate Plan will be addressed by strategic directorates as appropriate.

11.0 PLANNING AND COMMUNITY SAFETY IMPLICATIONS

11.1 Any planning and community safety implications relating to priorities identified with the Corporate Plan will be addressed by strategic directorates as appropriate.

12.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

12.1 It is recommended that Cabinet approves the Corporate Plan to be referred for adoption by full Council on the 5th March 2013.

13.0 REASON/S FOR RECOMMENDATION/S

13.1 This report presents Cabinet with a new 2013-2016 Corporate Plan for consideration and referral to Council on the 5th March. The Corporate Plan provides a vision for the Council and also ensures that the Council's priorities for the next financial year are underpinned by a strategic framework and principles for budget savings.

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APPENDICES

Appendix 1: Corporate Plan 2013 - 2016