



LEADER OF THE COUNCIL

CABINET
22 FEBRUARY 2016
ANNUAL REPORT 2015-16

Councillor Phil Davies, Leader of the Council, said:

“In July when we launched the Plan, and the 20 Pledges we will deliver over the next five years, we immediately set to work on making them a reality. This is our first Annual Report since then, and in this document you will see examples of where our pledges have started to make a difference. You’ll see how the Council is changing, modernising and becoming more flexible in meeting people’s needs.

In July, I called the Wirral Plan ‘our contract with the people of Wirral’. I am proud that we are meeting that commitment, and confident that by continuing to talk, share ideas and work hard, we are well-placed to meet the pledges we have made to Wirral residents.”

REPORT SUMMARY

The Wirral Plan sets out a shared vision across all partners to improve outcomes and quality of life for Wirral residents. Delivering the 20 Pledges are underpinned through the development and implementation of a set of key strategies and a Delivery Plan.

This report provides Cabinet with an Annual Report for 2015-16, a key strategic document which outlines achievements during the past year and gives high level direction for next steps.

This matter affects all Wards within the Borough. It is not a key decision.

RECOMMENDATION/S

Cabinet are requested to:

1. Note the contents of the Annual Report for 2015-16.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

1.0 REASON/S FOR RECOMMENDATION/S

The Annual Report 2015-16 has been developed to demonstrate progress against the 20 Pledges since the Wirral Plan was agreed in July. The Report provides an opportunity to report back to Wirral residents on what the Wirral Partnership has achieved together and what it will focus on in the coming year.

2.0 OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED

The Council has made a commitment to regularly report on progress towards the 20 Pledges. This Annual Report is part of that process and therefore no other options have been considered.

3.0 BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The Wirral Plan was agreed in July 2015 as the 'Wirral Council Plan' before being adopted by all partners as the strategic, shared Plan for the borough.

The Council and its partners have been working on delivering the 20 Pledges and – at the end of the first financial year of the Wirral Plan – are now reporting back to residents on progress made to date.

A series of underpinning strategies to drive and support the delivery of the Wirral Plan have been agreed or in development.

The Wirral Plan Pledges have now been adopted as the Council's performance framework, and progress towards achieving them will be regularly reported to Cabinet throughout the year.

4.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

None arising as a direct implication of this report.

5.0 LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

None arising as a direct implication of this report.

6.0 RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS: STAFFING, ICT AND ASSETS

None arising as a direct implication of this report.

7.0 RELEVANT RISKS

None arising as a direct implication of this report.

8.0 ENGAGEMENT/CONSULTATION

The Council has agreed with the voluntary, community and faith sector to define and strengthen relationships between these sectors for the benefit of all Wirral

communities. There is a commitment to extensive consultation with local communities.

9.0 EQUALITY IMPLICATIONS

Equality impact assessments for the Wirral Plan and associated strategies have been developed.

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APPENDICES

- **Annual Report 2015-16**

SUBJECT HISTORY (last 3 years)

Council Meeting	Date
None	N/A