



## **ECONOMY, REGENERATION AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**

**TUESDAY 26 OCTOBER 2021**

<b>REPORT TITLE:</b>	<b>THE WIRRAL PLAN 2021-2026 DRAFT DELIVERY PLANS</b>
<b>REPORT OF:</b>	<b>CHIEF EXECUTIVE</b>

### **REPORT SUMMARY**

This report presents The Wirral Plan 2021-26 Draft Delivery Plans. The Plans were approved at Council on 6<sup>th</sup> September 2021, together with the recommendation that engagement and discussion with relevant Committees would take place to further shape the underpinning delivery plans and work programmes required to implement the Wirral Plan.

For completeness, a full set of the draft Delivery Plans is attached in Appendix 1. Members of the Committee are asked to comment on the specific thematic priorities that fall within the remit of this Committee.

### **RECOMMENDATION/S**

The Economy, Regeneration and Development Committee is recommended to:

Consider and comment on the draft Delivery Plans, as they relate to the Economy, Regeneration and Committee set out in Appendix 1 to this report;

## **SUPPORTING INFORMATION**

### **1.0 REASON/S FOR RECOMMENDATION/S**

- 1.1 The Wirral Plan is a key policy document for the Borough, and drives the high level priorities, ambition, and key deliverables for the organisation. The Plan reflects what people have told us is important to them and will be used to help all staff understand their role in helping to deliver our corporate priorities.

### **2.0 OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED**

- 2.1 The Wirral Plan is a key policy document and is vital for the Council's planning and development in the coming years. Council on 6<sup>th</sup> September 2021 referred the draft Delivery Plans to Committees for further consideration, hence the report. The Delivery Plans have been developed through engagement and feedback to agree the proposed priorities. Other options could have been to omit these priorities but then the Delivery Plans would not reflect what is seen as important.

### **3.0 BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

- 3.1 The Wirral Plan provides the policy framework for Council activity in the coming year. Underpinning the Wirral Plan are a suite of draft Delivery Plans which have been developed to set out in-year actions as well some medium-term aims. Delivery Plans will need to align with the achievement of in-year budget efficiencies, be cognisant of budget planning for 2022/23 and the Council's emerging Change Programme.
- 3.2 Council on 6<sup>th</sup> September agreed that further consideration of the draft Delivery Plans would take place with relevant Committees to further shape the Delivery Plans and work programmes required to implement the Wirral Plan.

### **4.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

- 4.1 The Wirral Plan is designed to align with and inform the budget setting process for the next five years.

### **5.0 LEGAL IMPLICATIONS**

- 5.1 Legal implications relating to the actions set out in the Wirral Plan will be addressed by directorates as appropriate.

### **6.0 RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS: STAFFING, ICT AND ASSETS**

- 6.1 The Wirral Plan is a key strategic document to determine Council business planning and delivery resources.

### **7.0 RELEVANT RISKS**

- 7.1 The Corporate Risk Register is being refreshed in line with the new Wirral Plan to ensure that any risks to delivery are understood and mitigating actions are put in place as appropriate.

## 8.0 ENGAGEMENT/CONSULTATION

The Wirral Plan reflects what people have told us is important. Ongoing engagement will continue with staff, residents, businesses and partners as part of a collaborative approach to implementing the Plan.

## 9.0 EQUALITY IMPLICATIONS

9.1 The fundamental purpose and core of the Wirral Plan is to tackle inequalities and improve equity for all our residents. It will address the existing socio-economic and health inequalities in the Borough, to do things differently and make a fairer, more inclusive Wirral. Equality Impact Assessments will be carried out as the priorities within the Plan are implemented.

## 10.0 ENVIRONMENT AND CLIMATE IMPLICATIONS

10.1 The Wirral Plan reflects the Council's strong commitment to improve the environment, with clear actions to address environment and climate emergency.

## 11.0 COMMUNITY WEALTH BUILDING IMPLICATIONS

11.1 Wirral has some stark economic, social and health inequalities. The Wirral Plan is committed to addressing this – by shaping an economy that benefits all of our residents and one which keeps money within Wirral; a prosperous, inclusive economy where local people can get good jobs and achieve their aspirations. With Community Wealth Building at its heart, the Wirral Plan sets out how to tackle this and makes a major contribution to improving the economic, social and health outcomes of the borough.

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## APPENDIX

Appendix 1: The Wirral Draft Delivery Plans

## BACKGROUND PAPERS

The Wirral Plan 2021-2026

## SUBJECT HISTORY (last 3 years)

Council Meeting	Date
Council	14 <sup>th</sup> October 2019
Policy and Resources Committee	28 <sup>th</sup> July 2021
Council	6 <sup>th</sup> September 2021

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