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## **Minute Extract**

### **Policy and Resources Committee 21 November 2023**

The Head of Corporate Office presented the report which set out a new Council Plan the four-year electoral term 2023 to 2027, following the local government elections in May 2023

The Council Plan is the primary document in the Council's Policy framework and had been developed to align with the Council's Medium Term Financial Strategy (MTFS).

In this regard, it supported the Council's progress towards financial stability and continuous improvement in response to the External Assurance Review commissioned by the Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities (DLUHC) in November 2021 and Local Government Association (LGA) Corporate Peer Challenge in April 2022.

The new Council Plan built upon and replaced the existing Wirral Plan 2021-26 which was approved by Council 6 September 2021 and refreshed on 11 July 2022. It superseded the Council's Improvement Plan as approved by Council 11 July 2022. The new Plan acted as a single plan for the organisation, articulated a vision and priorities for the upcoming four years and delivered in line with the needs of residents. Members were informed that the new Council Plan transformed and modernised the Council to maximise opportunities for greater efficiency and effectiveness.

Members queried the measurability of the framework for Community Wealth Building and were assured that all the measures contained within the Community Wealth Building Strategy would be brought forward as part of the Council Plan. Also noted was the progress made in regard to the Council's improvement plan which had been noted by the Independent Assurance Panel. Members wished it placing on record their thanks to officers and all Members for their hard work, engagement and collaborative approach during the development of the Council Plan.

**Resolved – that the new Council Plan be recommended to Council for approval at its next meeting on 4 December.**