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SUBJECT	PORTFOLIO	AUTHOR	ITEM
Corporate Plan and Corporate Risk Register 2012/2013	Leader	Darren Cranshaw	7

SUMMARY AND LINK TO CORPORATE PRIORITIES

This report outlines the approach to agreeing the Council's Corporate Plan and Corporate Risk Register for 2012/2013.

This report relates to the Corporate Plan and therefore links with all the Council's priorities.

RECOMMENDATION

That Cabinet agree the Corporate Plan (appendix 1) and Corporate Risk Register 2012/2013 (appendix 2), with the inclusion of an action on external communications, subject to the Scrutiny Committee's review of external communications being agreed by full Council on 29 February 2012.

DETAILS AND REASONING

The Council's Corporate Plan was agreed by the Council in September 2011 following extensive engagement with councillors after May's elections. A copy of the plan is attached at Appendix 1. Progress on the Corporate Plan has been monitored by Scrutiny and Cabinet at the six-monthly stage and on a quarterly basis.

The Corporate Plan is a two-year plan to reflect the local government finance settlement. As the Corporate Plan was relatively recently agreed, it is not proposed to make any major changes to it as it remains focussed on the delivery of our agreed priorities.

The Scrutiny Committee has been consulted on this approach and has suggested that following the Scrutiny review of external communications being agreed at full Council on 29 February 2012, communications be added as a key action to the corporate plan for 2012/2013.

An updated Corporate Risk Register (CRR) for 2012/13 is attached at appendix 2. The Corporate Risk Register sits alongside the Corporate Plan, and is presented to the Scrutiny Committee on a quarterly basis and monitored biannually by Governance Committee. The Corporate Risk Register was revised in September 2011 in tandem with the development and adoption of the new Corporate Plan. Outcomes from the key actions contained in the Corporate Plan mitigate the risks identified in the Corporate Risk Register. Governance Committee will next consider progress to manage the corporate risks in June 2012.

The updated Corporate Risk Register for 2012/13 contains nine key risks that reflect the changing risk environment - 3 high (red) risks, 5 medium (amber) risks and 1 now considered to be low (green) risk. Members will not be surprised to note that a key focus for these is the need to continue to respond to the new agenda and financial climate faced by local government.

That Cabinet agree the Corporate Plan (appendix 1) and Corporate Risk Register 2012/2013 (appendix 2) and an action on communications be added, subject to the Scrutiny Committee's review of external communications being agreed at full Council on 29 February 2012.

WIDER IMPLICATIONS

In the preparation of this report, consideration has been given to the impact of its proposals in all the areas listed below, and the table shows any implications in respect of each of these. The risk assessment which has been carried out forms part of the background papers to the report.

FINANCIAL	The proposed budget for 2012/13 underpins delivery of the Corporate Plan by ensuring that resources are aligned appropriately.	
LEGAL	None as a result of this report.	
RISK	The Corporate Plan links with the corporate risk register which is used to identify and mitigate the risks associated with delivering the Corporate Plan.	

OTHER (see below)

Asset Management	Corporate Plans and Policies	Crime and Disorder	Efficiency Savings/Value for Money
Equality, Diversity and Community Cohesion	Freedom of Information/ Data Protection	Health and Safety	Health Inequalities
Human Rights Act 1998	Implementing Electronic Government	Staffing, Training and Development	Sustainability

BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

Quarterly performance monitoring reports