

Recommendations from the Executive – 5 December 2019

Minute reference

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REIGATE & BANSTEAD 2025

Councillor G. Knight, Executive Member for Housing and Benefits, introduced the new corporate plan, titled 'Reigate & Banstead 2025'. The Executive had previously endorsed the draft plan for consultation at its meeting in July 2019 (Minute ref. 29), and the final plan incorporated the outcome of that consultation, for approval.

The consideration of data and evidence, coupled with the engagement of Members and stakeholders, had informed the development of the plan, and the feedback from the consultation demonstrated support for its vision, commitments and objectives. The Overview & Scrutiny Committee had also been consulted and had supported the way in which the plan had been developed along with its overall scope.

Councillor Knight explained that the feedback from the consultation had led to some clarifications, and the inclusion of additional wording, rather than any substantive change in direction. A new set of contextual indicators and success measures had been included, which would be reported annually.

In response to questions from Visiting Members, the Leader acknowledged the importance of the Council's role in addressing affordable housing and climate change and concurred with Councillor Knight that the plan set a clear and appropriate focus for the Council for the next 5 years.

RECOMMENDED that 'Reigate & Banstead 2025', the Council's corporate plan for the period 2020-2025 be adopted by Full Council.

RESOLVED that the consultation feedback on the proposals for 'Reigate & Banstead 2025' be noted.

Reason for decision: To ensure that the Council had an adopted corporate plan for the 2020-2025 period that sets out a clear vision and priorities to guide its service and financial plans.

Alternative options: Not to adopt 'Reigate & Banstead 2025' and to request that further work be undertaken in response to the consultation before a revised version be reported back to the Executive.

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COUNCIL TAX BASE 2020/21

Councillor T. Schofield, Deputy Leader and Executive Member for Finance, introduced the report and explained that the Council had a statutory requirement to adopt its Council Tax base by 31 January each year. The Council had followed a prescribed formula in preparing the Council Tax Base, which would consequently be provided to precepting authorities to enable them to determine their level of Council Tax.

RECOMMENDED that the Council Tax Base for 2020/21 be recommended to Council for approval.

RESOLVED that the Council Tax Base for 2020/21 for each of the Council's areas be adjusted as follows: Reigate & Banstead Council as a whole 61,128.8 Horley Town Council area 10,191.7 Salfords & Sidlow Parish Council area 1,416.5.

Reason for decision: To comply with the Local Authorities (Calculation of Tax Base) Regulations 1992.

Alternative options: When calculating and setting the Tax Base the Council had to follow specific regulations laid down under statutory instruments. There was therefore no opportunity for Members to make any changes to the methodology adopted or the recommended Council Tax Base.