



# Report to Full Council

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<b>Title:</b>	<b>Corporate Plan Refresh 2023-24</b>
<b>Relevant councillor(s):</b>	<b>Martin Tett - Leader</b>
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<b>Ward(s) affected:</b>	<b>None specific</b>
<b>Recommendations:</b>	<b>For Members to adopt the refreshed Corporate Plan</b>
<b>Reason for decision:</b>	<b>To reflect changes in priorities and ensure we are working to an updated plan.</b>

## 1. Executive summary

- 1.1 Buckinghamshire Council's Corporate Plan sets out what the Council wants to achieve and how we will do it, addressing the challenges we face, harnessing opportunities as they present themselves and reflect the services that matter most to our residents.
- 1.2 A light-touch review of the Corporate Plan has been undertaken to reflect key developments since the drafting of the current plan which was adopted by the Council in February 2020, in particular the continuing impact of the pandemic and additional challenges following the war in Ukraine and resulting cost of living pressures and demand on services.

## 2. Refresh Overview

- 2.1 A light-touch review of the Corporate Plan has been undertaken to reflect key events and changes in priorities since the drafting of the plan in 2019/20.
- 2.2 The revised plan reflects the current challenges facing the economy and other events and how these could have an impact on the Council's priorities, together with other key developments such as new national legislation.

- 2.3 The refreshed corporate plan is attached in Appendix 1.
- 2.4 Following approval, the refreshed corporate plan would be published on our website.
- 2.5 The plan is intended to cover the period until 2025, in accordance with the current Council term, and will continue to be subject to an annual refresh.

### **3. Other options considered**

- 3.1 Do nothing - if the corporate plan was not refreshed it may be deemed out of date.

### **4. Legal and financial implications**

- 4.1 Identified priorities have been checked to ensure they are currently funded and included within the MTFP. There are no additional financial implications known at this stage.

### **5. Corporate implications**

- 5.1 The Corporate Plan is a council's main strategic business planning document, establishing a golden thread between the Council's priorities, as set out by elected Members, and the activities which will be undertaken to deliver the organisation's agreed outcomes. As a public document, the Corporate Plan also helps communicate to staff, partners and residents, a clear concise narrative of strategic intent.

### **6. Local councillors & community boards consultation & views**

- 6.1 The refreshed plan has been shared with select committee chairman for their feedback prior to it going forward to Council for agreement. Positive feedback was received and no requests for amendments.

### **7. Communication, engagement & further consultation**

- 7.1 Underpinning the plan are a number of strategies and policies which will be subject to appropriate consultation and engagement with members, partners and our residents. Relevant communications will also be developed to support these as they come forward.

### **8. Next steps and review**

- 8.1 Approval of the plan and publication following Council.

### **9. Background papers**

- 9.1 Current Corporate Plan [Corporate plan | Buckinghamshire Council](#)

### **10. Your questions and views (for key decisions)**

- 10.1 If you have any questions about the matters contained in this report, please contact the author of this report. If you have any views that you would like the cabinet

member to consider, please inform the democratic services team. This can be done by telephone or email [democracy@buckinghamshire.gov.uk](mailto:democracy@buckinghamshire.gov.uk)

