

REPORT SUBJECT	Refreshed Joint Business Plan 2018 - 2019
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WARD/S AFFECTED	Report applies to whole district

1. Purpose of Report

To seek approval for the refreshed Joint Business Plan 2018 – 2019

RECOMMENDATION

Council is asked to approve the refreshed Joint Business Plan

2. Executive Summary

This report seeks approval for the following document attached as Appendix A: Refreshed Joint Business Plan 2018 -2019

3. Reasons for Recommendations

The Joint Business Plan Aims, Priorities and Objectives replaced the former Chilterns Aims and Objectives document and the South Bucks Corporate Plan during 2014/15. The Joint Business Plan is reviewed every year to reflect the changing needs of the locality and the communities that live and work within Chiltern and South Bucks, as well as the service planning process.

4. Content of Report

4.1 The Joint Business Plan links to the Sustainable Community Strategy, which sets out the vision for the districts to 2026 and is based on extensive consultation with residents, local community groups and partner organisations.

4.2 The proposed refreshed Joint Business Plan 2018-2019 is attached as Appendix 1.

4.3 This year, the format of the Business Plan has been overhauled in terms of layout, look and length, with only key information relating to residents included within the document. The document is therefore more user-friendly, easier to understand, and takes into account our resident demographic.

5. Consultation

The refreshed Joint Business Plan has been circulated to Leaders and their respective Cabinets for comment.

6. Options

Failure to refresh the plan annually will soon render it out of date and out of touch with residents' priorities.

7. Corporate Implications

- 7.1 Financial – The Joint Business Plan complements the budgeting process and has close links to the medium-term financial strategy. It affects the budget planning process by setting the priorities for the future.
- 7.2 Legal – No legal implications have been identified.
- 7.3 Risks issues – Business planning helps to alleviate risk through ensuring each service unit is aware of how their work fits into the work of the Councils and is closely linked to the needs of the community.
- 7.4 Equalities – An integrated impact assessment, including equalities, was conducted on the Joint Business Plan and showed no adverse impacts.
- 7.5 Others – None.

8. Links to Council Policy Objectives

The Joint Business Plan sets the aims and priorities of the Councils for the next year.

9. Next Step

The Joint Business Plan will be uploaded onto the Council websites. It will be updated again next spring to reflect the new service plans for 2019/20 and their actions, which support the Councils' aims and objectives.

Background Papers:	Not applicable.
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