



## Report to Cabinet

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| <b>Date:</b>                          | <b>18 March 2021</b>  |
| <b>Title:</b>                         | <b>Buckinghamshire Council Annual Report 2020-21</b>  |
| <b>Relevant councillor(s):</b>        | <b>Cllr Martin Tett, Leader</b>   |
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| <b>Ward(s) affected:</b>              | All   |
| <b>Recommendations:</b>               | <b>To note the achievements of the Council in 2020-2021 against the objectives outlined in the Buckinghamshire Council Corporate Plan 2020-2023</b> |
| <b>Reason for decision:</b>           | N/A   |

### 1. Introduction

- 1.1 On the 1<sup>st</sup> April the new Buckinghamshire Council was created and the agreed Corporate Plan for 2020-2023 came into effect.
- 1.2 The publicly published Corporate Plan set out our 4 priorities for achieving our strategic outcomes:
  - Strengthening our communities
  - Protecting the vulnerable
  - Improving our environment
  - Increasing prosperity
- 1.3 As the first year of the new Council comes to a close, an annual report has been produced to recognise the (non-Covid related) achievements of the Council against our corporate objectives. This report sits alongside a complementary 'Our Covid Response Report 2020-2021' which highlights our achievement specifically in relation to the pandemic response.

1.4 The draft Buckinghamshire Council Annual Report 2020-2021 is attached as Appendix A.

## **2. Other options considered**

2.1 Not to draft an annual report – does not provide an opportunity to reflect and share publicly the scale of the work delivered over the last year.

2.2 To include Covid-19 achievements – following a year where the Covid-19 has to many felt all encompassing, focussing on non-Covid work allows us an opportunity to reflect on the huge scale of work delivered in spite of the pandemic.

## **3. Legal and financial implications**

3.1 No legal or financial implications are anticipated.

## **4. Corporate implications**

4.1 No corporate implications are anticipated.

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

5.1 The report reflects the council's corporate priorities agreed by Cabinet.

5.2 The report has been drafted to reflect the activity and work undertaken locally by Members and Community Boards.

5.3 Feedback from Cabinet Members has been sought in the drafting of this report.

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

6.1 N/A

## **7. Next steps and review**

7.1 The updated report to be taken to Cabinet on 18 March 2021.

7.2 Once approved, the report will be published on our website.

## **8. Background papers**

8.1 The Buckinghamshire Council [Corporate Plan 2020-2023](#)

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

9.1 If you have any questions about the matters contained in this report please get in touch with 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 01296 382343 or email [democracy@buckinghamshire.gov.uk](mailto:democracy@buckinghamshire.gov.uk)

