

Report to Full Council

Date: 18th May 2022

Title: Buckinghamshire Council Annual Report 2021-22

Cabinet Member(s): Councillor Martin Tett, Leader

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Ward(s) affected: All

Recommendations: To note the achievements of the Council in 2021-22

against the objectives outlined in the Buckinghamshire

Council Corporate Plan 2020-25

Reason for decision: N/A

1. Executive summary

1.1 This report provides the background to the development of Buckinghamshire Council's annual report 2021-2022 which notes the achievements of the organisation against the objectives.

2. Content of report

- 2.1 Buckinghamshire Council's Corporate Plan sets out what the Council wants to achieve and how we will do it, addressing the challenges we face and harnessing opportunities as they present themselves. On 1st April 2020 the new Buckinghamshire Council was created and the agreed Corporate Plan for 2020-2025 came into effect, this plan was refreshed in April 2022.
- 2.2 The Annual Report highlights achievements across the authority which will contribute to the delivery of our key priorities outlined in the Corporate Plan:
 - Strengthening our communities

- Protecting the vulnerable
- Improving our environment
- Increasing prosperity
- 2.3 The draft Buckinghamshire Council Annual Report 2021-22 is attached as Appendix1.

3. Other options considered

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

4. Legal and financial implications

4.1 No legal or financial implications are anticipated.

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 report reflects the council's corporate priorities agreed by Cabinet.
- 6.2 Feedback from Cabinet Members has been sought in the drafting of this report.

7. Communication, engagement & further consultation

7.1 Not applicable at this stage.

8. Next steps and review

8.1 Once approved, the report will be published on our website and will accompany the refreshed Corporate Plan.

9. Background papers

9.1 The Buckinghamshire Council Corporate Plan.

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 gail.hudson@buckinghamshire.gov.uk