

**Report To:** Council

**Date of Meeting:** 12 May 2015

**Lead Member / Officer:** Cllr Hugh Evans, Leader, Cllr Julian Thompson-Hill, Lead Member for Finance, Corporate Plan and Performance, and Alan Smith, Head of Business Improvement & Modernisation

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**Title:** Corporate Plan 2012-17, Year 4 Delivery Document (2015-16)

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**1. What is the report about?**

1.1 This report presents the Year 4 Delivery Document (2015-16) for the Corporate Plan 2012-17 and outlines Denbighshire County Council's contribution towards Denbighshire's Wellbeing Plan during 2015-16.

**2. What is the reason for making this report?**

2.1 A decision is required to approve the final draft version of the Corporate Plan Year 4 Delivery Document, attached at Appendix 1 to this report.

**3. What are the Recommendations?**

3.1 It is recommended that Members approve the final draft of the Delivery Document (Appendix 1) to enable it to be translated and published.

**4. Report details.**

4.1 A Delivery Document is created for every year of the Corporate Plan. Its purpose is to outline some of the key projects that will be started and/or delivered during the financial year for each of our priorities, with the intention of illustrating how the Corporate Plan affects the work that we're doing. We have used this opportunity to outline the council's contribution to Denbighshire's Wellbeing Plan during 2015-16. The document (appendix 1) will be published on our website so it is available for our regulators, the public and partners.

4.2 The activities originate from Service and Programme Plans. Progress will be reported to Performance Scrutiny and Cabinet via our Quarterly Performance Reports (Denbighshire's Wellbeing Plan is performance managed by the Conwy and Denbighshire Local Service Board). An overall evaluation of the council's progress in delivering the Corporate Plan will be included in the Annual Performance Reports published each October.

4.3 The activities highlighted within the Year 4 Delivery Document are designed to have a positive impact on our Corporate Priorities and communities' wellbeing, independence and resilience (Denbighshire's Wellbeing Plan).

**5. How does the decision contribute to the Corporate Priorities?**

5.1 The Delivery Document sets out the activity the council has planned for 2015-16 to support the delivery of its corporate priorities.

**6. What will it cost and how will it affect other services?**

6.1 The Corporate Plan 2012-17 includes a five-year financial strategy which outlines the anticipated capital investment required to deliver the priorities. The Year 4 Delivery Document includes a section on the financial implications for 2015-16.

6.2 There is no additional funding available for the delivery of the Wellbeing Plan. Partners will carefully consider the business case for each proposed initiative, seeking opportunities for sustainable use of existing resources to meet the identified outcomes.

**7. What are the main conclusions of the Equality Impact Assessment (EqIA) undertaken on the decision?**

7.1 An Equality Impact Assessment (EqIA) was undertaken on the Corporate Plan and presented to Council on 9 October 2012. No specific Equality Impact Assessment is required for this report itself, but Heads of Service will need to consider the equality impact of individual activities mentioned in the document in order to ensure that they do not have any disproportionate detrimental impact on people who share protected characteristics.

7.2 An EqIA was undertaken for the Wellbeing Plan and concluded that the Plan does not adversely affect people from within the protected characteristics. However, EqIAs will be required for every Wellbeing Plan project.

**8. What consultations have been carried out with Scrutiny and others?**

8.1 The Delivery Document has been developed from activity identified from Service Plans for 2015-16 (which were agreed with Lead Members) and from Programme Plans. Activities have been further defined and refined via discussions with key personnel involved with their delivery. A draft was circulated to SLT and the Lead Member for Finance, Corporate Plan and Performance for comment before being presented to Council for approval.

8.2 In relation to the Wellbeing Plan, a detailed programme of engagement and consultation has been completed and the Wellbeing Plan has been formally endorsed by each public sector partner, including Welsh Government.

## **9. Chief Finance Officer Statement**

9.1 Our Corporate Plan 2012-17 sets out our ambitious - but deliverable - priorities for the five year period. Some of these priorities will require significant capital investment, and the latest estimate assumes that the Authority will need to invest somewhere in the region of an additional £119 million pounds of capital funding in our priorities to deliver the Plan. It is assumed that £79m will be spent in the years 2012/13 to 2016/17 and £40m in the following two years. An update of the Corporate Plan was taken to County Council on 3 February 2015 and it was approved that the delivery of the Corporate Plan takes priority in future budget setting rounds. See Appendix 1 for more information.

## **10. What risks are there and is there anything we can do to reduce them?**

10.1 There are no specific risks attached to this report. It is the role of our Corporate and Service Risk Registers to identify (and manage) the potential risk events which could lead to the council being unable to deliver its Corporate Plan and Wellbeing Plan.

## **11. Power to make the Decision**

11.1 The Corporate Plan is a key element of the Wales Programme for Improvement (2010), which is underpinned by the statutory requirements of the Local Government Act 1999 and Local Government (Wales) Measure 2009.