

5e REFERRAL FROM CABINET: 15 SEPTEMBER 2020 – COUNCIL PLAN 2021 - 2026 AND COUNCIL OBJECTIVES FOR 2021-2026

RECOMMENDED TO COUNCIL:

(1) That Cabinet reviews and recommends to Full Council the adoption of the following:

- Appendix A – Council Plan 2021 -2026;
- Appendix B – Proposed Actions;
- Appendix C – Achievements (including the Addendum).

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The Leader of the Council presented the report entitled Council Plan 2021 - 2026 and Council Objectives for 2021-2026 together with the following appendices:

- Appendix A – Revised Council Plan 2021 – 2026;
- Appendix B - Proposed Actions 2020;
- Appendix C – Achievements;
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He advised that the workshops regarding the Council Plan had been well attended and that the minor typographical errors in the document would be corrected before publication.

It was proposed by Councillor Martin Stears-Handscomb, seconded by Councillor Paul Clark and:

RESOLVED:

(1) That the draft completed Council Plan be approved; which provides a summary of objectives and of activity to support the progression of following Council Objectives below (an amended first overarching Council objective whilst the other four remain the same);

- Be a welcoming, inclusive, and efficient council;
- Build thriving and resilient communities;
- Respond to challenges to the environment;
- Enable an enterprising and co-operative economy;
- Support the delivery of good quality and affordable homes.

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NB: The report considered by Cabinet at the meeting held on 15 September can be viewed here:

<https://democracy.north-herts.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=133&MId=2403&Ver=4>