

DRAFT CORPORATE PLAN 2008-11**Report By: Deputy Chief Executive****Wards Affected**

County-wide

Purpose

To ask Council to approve the Council's Corporate Plan 2008-11

Recommendation**THAT:**

- (a) **Council approves the Corporate Plan 2008-11 subject to the negotiated Local Area Agreement targets being added.**

Reasons

- 1 Under its constitution the Council is required to have an up-to-date Corporate Plan.

Key Points Summary

- The Plan sets out the Council's priorities and how they will be achieved. It also sets out the targets to be used to measure the achievements, as well as the key actions that will be taken to achieve the targets.
- The Council's top priorities, and how they relate to the Community Strategy and the Local Area Agreement, are set out in Table 1 on page 6 of the Plan.

Alternative Options

- 2 There are no Alternative Options – see 'Reasons' above.

Considerations

- 3 The draft plan was considered by Cabinet on 27 March. It agreed to commend it to Council, subject to necessary revisions being made to reflect the terms of the approved new Local Area Agreement and for amendments agreed at Cabinet being made. The Plan has been duly amended. It will be supplemented to reflect the outcome of negotiations with Government on the Local Area Agreement, which are expected to conclude in June. These negotiations particularly affect the completion of the targets in Appendix F of the Plan.

Financial Implications

- 4 The draft Plan has been prepared so as to be fully compatible with the agreed Medium Term Financial Management Strategy (MTFMS). The only direct costs arise

from the printing and design of the Plan, which are not expected to be more than about £6,000.

Legal Implications

5 None

Community Impact

6 The draft Plan shows how the Council's intends to contribute to the achievement of the Herefordshire Sustainable Community Strategy and the Local Area Agreement.

Risk Management

7 A robust, affordable corporate plan, providing the basis for effective performance management, is a principal means of managing the risks to the achievement of the Council's priorities.

Consultees

8 No consultees

Appendices

9 Appendix 1 – Draft Corporate Plan 2008-11

Background Papers

10 None identified.