

DERBYSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

CABINET

25 March 2014

Report of the Chief Executive

**DEPARTMENTAL SERVICE PLANS 2014-15
(Strategic Policy and Budget)**

1. Purpose of the report

To seek approval for the departmental Service Plans 2014-15 and associated budgets.

2. Information and Analysis

Service Plans set out how each department will contribute to the Council Plan 2014-17 priorities. The Service Plans describe how the departments will deliver these priorities and how success or impact will be measured.

Each Service Plan includes any capital or revenue spend that the department is seeking Cabinet approval for. The capital and revenue plans and programmes are summarised below.

Chief Executives and Corporate Resources

- Voluntary Sector Grants Programme
- Property Maintenance
- Capital Programme for Building Works

Health and Community Safety

- Safer Communities Programme

Adult Care

- Major Adaptations Programme

Economy, Transport and Environment

- Derelict Land Reclamation and Regeneration Capital Programme
- Waste Management Capital Programme
- Highways Capital Schemes
- Countryside Services Improvement Programme
- Vehicle Replacement Programme

In order to effectively manage the Highways and the Countryside Capital Programmes it may be necessary to make minor amendments to the list of

schemes during the year. Any changes would be subject to the approval of the Cabinet Member for Highways and Transport.

3. Financial Considerations

The programmes included in each Service Plan accord with the revenue and capital budgets approved by Council in February 2014.

Under the Council's current Financial Regulations Strategic Directors have delegated authority to incur expenditure on routine or consumable items as identified in the Service Plans. Routine or consumable expenditure is defined as: "revenue expenditure" which could reasonably be regarded as necessary for the purpose of supporting the aims, objectives and priorities in the department's Service Plan. Proposed changes to Financial Regulations are subject of a report to this Cabinet meeting and, if agreed, will be the subject of a further report to Council on the 9 April 2014. Approval by Council will result in the "Routine and Consumable Item" in Service Plans no longer needing to be in place.

4. Other Considerations

In preparing the report the relevance of the following factors has been considered: transport, legal and human rights, personnel, prevention of crime and disorder, equality and diversity, environment, health and property.

5. Key Decision -Yes

6. Call-in

Is it required that call-in be waived in respect of the decisions proposed in the report? - No

7. Background Papers - None

8. Officer Recommendations

It is recommended that Cabinet:

1. Approves the 2014-15 departmental Service Plans, including the award of contracts and placing of orders within each approved programme budget.
2. Approves the Service Plans to be submitted to full Council for endorsement.
3. Delegates authority to the Cabinet Member for Jobs, Economy and Transport to approve minor amendments to the list of capital schemes and approve individual schemes to be supported from Countryside Services capital allocation, subject to external funding being secured.

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