

Minutes

Corporate Plan Working Group

Held at:	Folkestone Room - Civic Centre Folkestone
Date	Wednesday, 6 November 2019
Present	Councillors Ian Meyers, David Monk, Tim Prater and Lesley Whybrow
Apologies for Absence	Councillor Mrs Jennifer Hollingsbee and Councillor Connor McConville
Officers Present:	Katie Ainscough (Senior Communications & Engagement Officer), Kate Clark (Committee Services Officer), Tim Madden (Corporate Director - Customer, Support and Specialist Services), Susan Priest (Head of Paid Service), Matt Rain (OD & Engagement Business Partner), Charlotte Spendley (Assistant Director) and Adrian Tofts (Planning Policy Manager)

Others Present:

1. Chair's Welcome (including purpose of group and Terms of Reference)

The Chairman welcomed members and officers to the meeting and drew their attention to the terms of reference.

2. **Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest.

3. Discussion on Proposed Corporate Plan Objectives

Adrian Tofts, Strategy, Policy and Performance Manager, presented information on the proposed ten year Corporate Plan. This contains five main objectives feeding into the Vision for the District. The objectives are:

- Housing and Infrastructure
- Economy
- Environment
- Community focused services
- Accountability, stability and transparency

Mr Tofts explained that it is important for the Working Group, along with other councillors to give strategic comments and input from the Climate and Ecological Emergency Working Group could also be considered.

4. **Options for format**

The working group were advised that initial proposals were for the corporate plan to be ready in time for the new financial year.

Members asked that consideration be given to undertaking a public consultation in order to establish current issues of concern and importance to residents across the district. Members agreed it would be useful to seek input on priorities within the consultation exercise.

It was agreed that further ideas on the format and scope of the consultation would be brought to a future meeting for discussion.

5. Next Steps

Action points to consider:

- This working group to consult with their relevant party groups to consider priorities under each objective.
- Officers to meet each group party leader to gather detailed views and suggestions.
- Consultation officers to consider scope and methods, costings and the range of questions to be addressed, including how residents wish to be contacted in future.
- Format and diagrams options to be considered further.