

Corporate Delivery Plan and Key Actions for 2019-20

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Vision

“Leading a community that is making Stroud district a better place to live, work and visit for everyone”

Corporate Delivery Plan 2018-22

- 4 year plan to deliver our vision
- 5 key priorities
- Annual review of progress
- Key actions for the year ahead
- How can we work better together to deliver some of them?

5 Key Priorities

Economy	Help create a sustainable and vibrant economy that works for all
Affordable Housing	Provide affordable, energy efficient homes for our diverse and changing population
Environment	Help the community minimise its carbon footprint, adapt to climate change and recycle more
Health & Well being	Promote the health and well being of our communities and work with others to deliver the public health agenda
Delivery	Provide value for money to our taxpayers and high quality services to our customers

Achievements 2018-19 Economy

- Awarded £890,000 development stage Lottery Funding to progress the £23m Stonehouse to Saul link bid
- Identified a site to help Rush Skate Park relocate within the district
- Lobbied Government to raise the profile of local infrastructure needs, especially M5 junctions
- Delivered in partnership the 6th Stroud Ambitions careers event linking young people with local businesses



Achievements 2018-19 Affordable Housing

- Delivered 228 new homes in our first 5-year council house building programme – on track to deliver another 16 in Nailsworth and Woodchester
- In our ongoing endeavour to tackle fuel poverty, invested £6.8m in new heating systems and boiler upgrades in 181 council homes and insulated 35
- Progressed modernisation of sheltered housing and completed Sherborne House Invested £500,000 to secure temporary homeless housing in the district
- Successfully lobbied to lift HRA debt cap to allow further investment in housing stock



Achievements in 2018-19 Environment

- In partnership with Ubico, recognised by DEFRA as highest performing council for recycling in South West
- Achieved household recycling rate of 61.2%
 - residents threw away the least amount of residual waste in England. Shortlisted for 2 national Waste & Recycling awards
- Made £213,000 available to help town councils improve the vibrancy of 5 market towns in the district
- Declared a Climate Change Emergency and committed to working towards a carbon neutral district by 2030 and ending use of single use plastics



Achievements 2018-19 Health and Wellbeing

- Successfully drove mental health awareness to support the wellbeing of the public and staff through training, initiatives and events
- Through ongoing partnership with Severn Wye Energy Agency, improved insulation in 111 homes, installed central heating in 21 with a further 29 approved, gave energy efficiency advice to 510 households
- Successful Healthy Lifestyles programme included girls' football festival and more than 3000 people attending walking sports events



Achievements 2018-19 Delivery

- Reviewed operations and service delivery to make efficiencies and best use of our assets, transferring Stroud Subs Rooms to a local community trust
- Promoted good employment practice by adopting the Modern Slavery Charter, working to incorporate this and the Construction Charter into our procurement process
- Considered options for future delivery of housing repairs and maintenance and agreed to bring service in-house to improve service and quality for our tenants

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SLAVERY IN
OUR SUPPLY
CHAINS**



the co-operative party
Charter Against Modern Slavery



Key Actions for 2019-20 Economy

- Continue to allocate business rate pilot funds to support local businesses, wealth building, supporting a zero carbon district and reducing inequality
- Support local wealth creation and business growth through an updated procurement strategy incorporating social value principles
- Progress and deliver redevelopment of Brimscombe Port
- Submit a bid to the National Lottery Heritage Fund by April 2020 to restore the canal link Stonehouse - Saul



Key Actions for 2019-20 Affordable Housing

- Contribute to our identified local housing need by building new council homes – getting permission for 56 units on 6 sites and looking to buy more land
- Adopt the Housing Revenue Account 5 year delivery plan and the housing strategy incorporating community-led housing
- Commence improvements to sheltered housing in Nailsworth and Minchinhampton
- Provide high quality, safe temporary accommodation within the district
- Bring reactive maintenance in house to improve service and efficiency



Key Actions for 2019-20 Environment

- Implement the revised Environment Strategy and develop an action plan with partners to incorporate our commitment to being a carbon neutral district by 2030
- Work with partners to implement the next phase of the cycling and walking strategy
- In our statutory waste collection role, support community groups to phase out single use plastics and reduce its use
- In partnership with Stroud Town Council and Friends of the Stratford Park Lido submit a Lottery Fund bid to refurbish it
- Assess opportunities to expand the green infrastructure network through the local plan



Key Actions for 2019-20 Health and well being

- Adopt a new Health and well being Plan to guide Council service delivery
- Make a decision on extending the contract for the provision of leisure centre services at Stratford Park and consider future options
- Agree a long term investment and management plan for Stratford Park
- Support the setting up and delivery of a weekly parkrun in Stratford Park
- Implement the first year of the Council's Older People's Housing Strategy



Key Actions for 2019-20 Delivery

- Create a strategic approach to building more effective partnerships with town and parish councils
- Adopt a clear vision and digital strategy which is fit for purpose to deliver good quality, convenient and efficient services for staff, residents and local businesses
- Explore the opportunities for income generation to help achieve financial self sufficiency
- Work collaboratively through partnerships and external stakeholders to influence delivery of our objectives



Moving Forward

- How can we work better together to deliver some of our Key Actions for the year ahead?
- How can we better engage with you and our communities to prepare our next plan, which we will adopt in 2020?