

Purpose

1. This report provides Members with an introduction to the new strategic priorities as outlined in the Strategic Plan 2010 -2014 for Adult Social Care and Health and progress towards achieving these objectives.

Information

2. The Strategic Plan 2010-2014 sets out the County Councils priorities for Nottinghamshire. It identifies the vision, promises and values of the County Council.

our vision

Our vision is for Nottinghamshire to be a county that is safe; economically prosperous; a place where businesses want to invest; and where we are proud of our past and ambitious for our future.

our promises and priorities

We want Nottinghamshire to be a county where people have high aspirations; live as independently as possible and share with us responsibility for the future.

3. The plan is focused around five priorities

Aspiration

To foster aspiration, independence and personal responsibility

Our priority is to raise the aspirations of local people by enabling them to achieve more both as individuals and as neighbours. We will encourage local people to take responsibility for the way they live and the place in which they live. We are committed to enabling people to live as independently as possible throughout their lives.

Economic prosperity

To promote the economic prosperity of Nottinghamshire and safeguard our environment

Successful local businesses and a prosperous economy are key to our future. Our priority is to do all we can to help our local business community thrive and promote Nottinghamshire as a place to invest, do business and to visit and stay. While promoting the economic prosperity of the county we will protect our countryside, our environment; and our heritage and work with partners to promote Nottinghamshire as a tourist destination.

A safer place

To make Nottinghamshire a safer place to live

It is important that people feel that the county is a safe place to live. Managing safety and having a coordinated approach to keeping people and places safe is vital. A greater sense of security helps to create confidence that feeds well-being and growth. Our attention must be on the safety of those groups and communities that are more vulnerable and on reducing crime and disorder.

Good quality affordable services

To secure good quality, affordable services

Our priority is to ensure that the County Council provides good quality, affordable services for the people of Nottinghamshire. This means that we will involve citizens in all aspects of the services through consulting, listening and acting on what they tell us. We will evaluate ourselves against the best and make improvements to reflect this. We will work collaboratively with our partners to ensure key services are delivered well. We need to make decisions to withdraw funding from some services to invest in others that are of greater priority and may require additional resources.

Financially robust

To be financially robust and sustainable

Our priority is to be cost effective, run as 'one council-one business' and provide value for money in all that we do. We need to reduce our running costs to protect spending on front line services. The Council will need to change the way it operates including business transactions, procurement and organisational design.

4. Officers from Adult Social Care and Health has been invited to the meeting to discuss progress on delivery of these objectives.

Recommendation

5. It is recommended that the Health & Wellbeing committee:

- consider and ask questions about the information provided
- identify any specific item about which they would like additional information

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Background papers:

- Nottinghamshire County Council Strategic Plan 2010 -2014