

Feedback resulting from Member presentation held on 9 March 2016

Economic Development

A Member sought clarity on how the Council is committed to this when a significant planning application relating to J9 was recommended for refusal.

Customer Focused Services

A Member referred to the action relating to the Council's approach to enviro-crimes and this should include specific reference to dog fouling. The approach to enviro-crimes generally, may need further review to ensure it is effective. The potential of employing some type of warden, funded by Town & Parish Councils and which has been discussed previously should be developed further and brought back to Members for consideration.

Housing

The action relating to living in safe and affordable homes was raised by one Member to clarify that 'safe' should also be interpreted as safe environment and not just the safety of the home.

One Member felt the actions to deliver this were repetitive and lacked targets. As Lead Member for that Portfolio it was agreed these would be looked at further. A meeting was subsequently held with the Lead Member and the Plan amended to be more inclusive of the activities which fall within that Portfolio.

Clean and Green

One Member would like to see this as a priority theme supported with reference to climate change.

Finance and Economic Development

A Member asserted these are key priorities because of the financial challenges facing the Council but also because of the potential growth opportunities. As a result a commercial outlook is required.

Approach to Council Plan

One Member commented that, although she welcomed this session, a workshop type session should have taken place prior to this to help shape the Plan. The same Member commented on how business and financial driven the Plan was compared to the previous Plan.

General Presentation of the Plan

It was explained at the beginning of the presentation that the Plan was only draft and some of the photographs would be updated. One Member made specific reference to there being no photographs of Bishop's Cleeve and photographs need to reflect equality and diversity. Reference was also made to ensuring the Plan was style guided and dependent upon who the audience was, would they understand terminology such as 'transformation programme' and 'primary growth'.