

**REPORT TO:** COVID-19 RECOVERY WORKING GROUP

**DATE:** 25 AUGUST 2020

**TITLE:** RECOMMENDATIONS TO CABINET

**LEAD OFFICER:** SENIOR MANAGEMENT BOARD (01279) 446004

**RECOMMENDED that** subject to any amendments agreed by the Working Group:

- A** It is recommended to Cabinet that Working Group's final Terms of Reference are approved.
- B** It is recommended to Cabinet that the Vision Statement and strategic themes and Action Plan are agreed.
- C** It is recommended to Cabinet to recommend to Full Council that a further Corporate Priority of 'Resilience and Recovery' is introduced into an amended Corporate Plan.

## **BACKGROUND**

1. The Working Group has already met on two occasions. At its second meeting on 5 August, it approved its terms of reference. These have been included for noting earlier in the agenda.
2. Also at its meeting on 5 August, the Working Group agreed that the Vision Statement would be amended and brought to this meeting for recommendation to Cabinet. The Vision Statement was considered earlier in this meeting.
3. This meeting has also considered a draft Action Plan and a suggested amendment to the Corporate Plan.
4. All four documents form a central part of the Council's strategic framework in leading Harlow's recovery from the Covid-19 pandemic

## **ISSUES/PROPOSALS**

5. It is recommended that the final terms of reference, Vision Statement, draft Action Plan, and suggested amendment to the Corporate Plan are referred to Cabinet. The actions attributed to that additional priority will be those contained within the recovery plan.
6. Amendments to the Corporate Plan will require Full Council approval, and should they be approved by the Working Group and Cabinet, they would be considered at Full Council.

## **IMPLICATIONS**

### **Environment and Planning (Includes Sustainability)**

As set out in the reports to the working group

**Author: Andrew Bramidge, Head of Environment and Planning**

### **Finance (Includes ICT, and Property and Facilities)**

As set out in the reports to the working group

**Author: Simon Freeman, Head of Finance and Deputy to the Chief Executive**

### **Housing**

As set out in the reports to the working group

**Author: Andrew Murray, Head of Housing**

### **Community Wellbeing (Includes Equalities and Social Inclusion)**

As set out in the reports to the working group

**Author: Jane Greer, Head of Community Wellbeing**

### **Governance (Includes HR)**

As set out in the reports to the working group, change to the Corporate Plan fall within the Policy Framework and are a matter for the Council to approve.

**Author: Simon Hill, Head of Governance**

### **Background Papers**

Those included within reports to the Working Group