

SLOUGH BOROUGH COUNCIL

REPORT TO: Cabinet **DATE:** 17 July 2017

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WARD(S): All

PORTFOLIO: Councillor Munawar, Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Finance and Strategy

PART I **KEY DECISION**

SBC ANNUAL REPORT 2016-17

1. **Purpose of Report**

- 1.1 To provide the Cabinet with an Annual Report of the Council's progress and achievements against the Five Year Plan for 2016-17.

2. **Recommendation(s)/Proposed Action**

- 2.1 The Cabinet is requested to agree the Council's Annual Report for 2016-17.

3. **The Slough Joint Wellbeing Strategy, the JSNA and the Five Year Plan**

3a. **Slough Joint Wellbeing Strategy Priorities and Joint Strategic Needs Assessment**

The Five Year Plan relates to all aspects of the Slough Joint Wellbeing Strategy's priorities as set out below:

1. Protecting vulnerable children
2. Increasing life expectancy by focusing on inequalities
3. Improving mental health and wellbeing
4. Housing

The Five Year Plan has been developed using the evidence base of the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment and the Slough Story.

3b. **Council's Five Year Plan Outcomes**

The Annual Report sets out achievements against the five outcomes in the Five Year Plan:

Our priority outcomes – putting people first

- Our children and young people will have the best start in life and opportunities to give them positive lives
- Our people will become healthier and will manage their own health, care and support needs

- Slough will be an attractive place where people choose to live, work and visit
- Our residents will have access to good quality homes
- Slough will attract, retain and grow businesses and investment to provide jobs and opportunities for our residents

4 **Other Implications**

(a) Financial - the Annual Report includes a summary of the budget for 2016-17.

(b) Risk Management - There are no identified risks associated with the proposed actions.

(c) Human Rights Act and Other Legal Implications - There are no direct legal or Human Rights Act implications.

(d) Equalities Impact Assessment - There is no requirement to complete an Equalities Impact Assessment (EIA) in relation to this report.

5 **Supporting Information**

5.1 The Five Year Plan was launched in 2015 to define the Council's ambition; the opportunities and challenges we face; the role of the Council in meeting these and the priority outcomes against which resources will be allocated.

5.2 The Five Year Plan is therefore an important element of our strategic narrative in explaining our ambitions for Slough's future. It also describes the role of the Council in achieving this, recognising the importance of working with our communities and putting people first in everything we do.

5.3 The Plan is updated every year and we also produce an Annual Report so that we can check progress. While there is no requirement for local authorities to produce an Annual Report it is widely regarded as good practice. We have taken the view that it is important to do this to demonstrate progress against the Five Year Plan.

5.4 The Annual Report includes case studies and performance indicators setting out how we are delivering our priority outcomes.

5.5 The final version will be designed and formatted and will include photographs to sit alongside the highlights and case studies. While we do not print copies of the Annual Report it will be published as a pdf document on the Council's website.

6 **Comments of Other Committees**

6.1 We have worked with the Leader and all Cabinet Members to ensure that the priority outcomes in the Five Year Plan reflect the political priorities of the Administration. The Council's Scrutiny function receives regular progress reports against the outcomes.

7 **Conclusion**

7.1 The Annual Report is an opportunity to reflect on progress and achievements so far against the commitments in the Five Year Plan.

8 **Appendices Attached**