

Agenda item 10

For Decision: Work programme for 2017/18

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Summary

The Town Council Strategy 2015-2019 was approved in December 2015. Each year a work programme is drafted that implements the Strategy. Council agreed the first annual work programme for 2016/17 in January 2016. The proposed second work programme, for 2017/18, is attached at Appendix 3. The content of this second work programme is similar in content and layout as the first. This is because most of the projects are ongoing.

However, there are some new projects proposed and these are highlighted in red in the work programme. In summary, we have

- strengthened the work around wellbeing following the discussions that have been held over the past months,
- added some new projects around supporting micro-enterprises and helping young people to become work ready,
- added drafting and implementing a management plan for Tower View and Packsaddle open specs and a programme to increase tree planting in the Stonebridge area.

The work programme is a big document containing a lot of detail and is the product of discussions at both Committees and with individual Cllrs. It will not be possible to discuss every line of the work programme at the Council meeting. As a result, if there are any questions on the content of the proposed work programme it might be best to ask the relevant member of staff prior to the meeting. Even so, the staff will be on hand to answer any questions on the night.

If Council approves the work programme, there will be proposed a staff structure and a budget designed to deliver it tabled at the Council meeting on 25 January.

Recommendation

Approve the work programme for 2017/18.