

Agenda item 9

For information and discussion - Council Plan 2025-27 – a review of progress to date

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Background

The Council Plan 2025-27 was updated in October 2025 and approved by Council in the same month. It sets out the Council's strategic direction and provides the framework for the current work programme.

An overriding theme of the Plan is to secure tangible and lasting benefits for the town and this is reflected in the various aims and objectives that have been set. As a reminder, the aims are as follows:

Aim 1 – Grow community wellbeing

Aim 2 – Support a thriving town

Aim 3 – Cultivate environmental sustainability

Aim 4 – Improve assets and infrastructure

Aim 5 – Be a bold and effective Council

Progress

As we approach the end of the first year of delivery of the updated Council Plan, it seems appropriate to reflect on the progress that has been made to date. [A summary of progress is at Appendix 9.1 which can be viewed on the website here](#). This review is an opportunity to consider whether the current set of objectives is still relevant and achievable in terms of the opportunities and challenges that the Council is addressing. To inform the development of the work programme and budget for 2027/28, councillors are invited to consider whether any amendments may be necessary.

The Town Clerk will lead a discussion at the meeting.