

## Report for Resolution

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**Report of** Executive  
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### Report

At its meeting on 21 February 2007, the Executive considered the report on the 'Corporate Policy Framework' and resolved to **recommend** to Council:-

'That Council adopts the Corporate Policy Framework for 2007/2008 as set out in Appendix A.'

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The attached report will have been considered at the meeting of the Executive on 21 February 2007 and the recommendations of the Executive will be reported to your meeting.

The report has been amended to correct the Strategic Objectives (as agreed at Council, 28 November 2006) contained in Appendix A. Service Plans have been reproduced and are attached at the end of this agenda.

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### Purpose

This report sets out the draft Corporate Policy Framework for 2007/2008.

### Recommendations

The Executive is asked to consider the following Draft Corporate Policy Framework for 2007/8 and recommend it to the Council meeting on 27 February 2006.

### Financial Consequences

The accompanying reports on the General Fund Budget, Housing Revenue Account, along with the Capital Programme, provide the resources to deliver the actions in this Corporate Policy Framework.

### Corporate Objective/Service Plan Priority

The report helps to achieve all of the Council's corporate objectives.

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## **Background Documents**

None

## Report

1. The Council's Corporate Policy Framework is the basis on which the Council will deliver its role as a community leader and deliver services throughout the year. It also provides the basis for the preparation of the council's budget and allocation of resources.
2. The Council's Vision, Strategic Objectives, Corporate Priorities and Cross Cutting Themes are set out below. These, along with the service priorities contained in the Service Plans form the Council's Corporate Policy Framework for 2007/8.
3. The Corporate Policy Framework report is attached as Appendix A.

### Corporate Policy Framework

#### Introduction

At its meeting on 28 November 2006 the Council approved a new Vision, Strategic Objectives, short term commitments and Corporate Priorities.

#### Council Vision

The Council's Vision is:

Working with you – aiming high to make Norwich proud, prosperous, safe and clean.

This vision sets out the key ambitions for the Council and aligns with aspirations of the City of Norwich Partnership to 'make Norwich a world class city in which to live, work, learn and visit.

#### Strategic Objectives<sup>1</sup>

Whilst the Council's vision sets an overall direction for the organisation, it is underpinned by 5 new strategic objectives for the Council:

- To provide strong and ambitious leadership to make the City proud of its Council;
- To build a successful economic future for Norwich and secure sustainable growth;
- To make Norwich safe and secure, building strong and proud local communities;
- To ensure the City has a clean and healthy environment;
- To develop the delivery of our services on a neighbourhood basis.

#### Short Term Commitments

The meeting of Council on 28 November 2006 also agreed short term service commitments. Whilst some may be delivered in the current financial year other commitments will carry forward in to 2007/8 and beyond:

- create four more street wardens posts;
- commission phase 2 CCTV/mobile cameras;
- start a pilot project for a clean sweep team;
- extend tenancy enforcement into 6 new areas;
- establish a £50,000 fund to support local environmental enhancement projects;
- begin work to create a carbon offset trust.

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<sup>1</sup> These are the 5 Strategic Objectives set out in the report of the Executive 'Proposed Vision, Strategic Objectives and Short Term Priorities For Norwich City Council', Appendix C, approved at Council on 28 November 2006.

## **Corporate Priorities**

- Continue to implement the Norwich Improvement Programme which effectively now represents the council's new internal improvement priorities
- The Local Government White Paper provides a range of opportunities for local authorities to enhance their community leadership role and the Council will continue to pursue those opportunities.

These have been used to inform the 2007/8 service and financial planning.

## **Cross Cutting Themes**

In addition to the Strategic Objectives and short term commitments throughout the year a number of longer term cross cutting priorities have been identified. These are significant areas that need a range of services to work together to deliver them. These "Cross Cutting Themes" will make a significant contribution to the development of the city and the Council during 2006/7 and will continue to be progressed, as follows:

- The Growth Agenda with its impact on all services within the Council and the city.
- Implementation of the Waste Strategy to reduce the amount of residual waste going to landfill and reduce the volume of waste produced. A range of services will be engaged in developing and delivering this work.
- Developing a system of working at neighbourhood level which has greater involvement and gives greater accountability to local residents.
- Continued development of partnership working with delivery of the Sustainable Community Strategy and the county wide Local Area Agreement incorporating the Neighbourhood Renewal funded projects

## **Service Plans**

Service Plans have been prepared and subject to scrutiny by Scrutiny Panels and Scrutiny Committee. All Service Plans are attached and will be revised in the light of any final adjustments to the Council's Budgets.