EE22. Strategic Plans and Vision Framework: Consultation Feedback

The Emergency Executive considered a report by the Chief Executive which provided an update on the elected member engagement workshops and sought agreement of the Vision Framework as the basis for progressing the Council's Corporate Plan and Five-Year Business Plan.

Workshops were held with elected members to allow reflection and comment on both short-term priorities in the context of recovery, and longer term priorities important to communities, to provide a basis for the Council's overarching priorities for the Business Plan and Corporate Plan. The workshops were framed around five questions:-

- What is most important to your communities now?
- What are the most significant things we need to deliver for our communities as a Council in the short term?
- From these, what is your view of the broader priorities for the Council?
- What specific comments do you have on the 'straw man'?
- What are the positive lessons we can learn from the Council's response to COVID-19?

The feedback from members identified key issues and actions to be incorporated into the work to be taken forward in the context of recovery and in developing the new Corporate Plan and Business Plan. An updated copy of the 'straw man' Vision Framework was appended to the report. The work on the Corporate and Business Plans would be taken forward over the coming months and report to Council in September. This would:-

- Give elected members a further opportunity to reflect and make sure the strategic deliverables meet the needs of communities
- Provide an opportunity for community engagement and assessment of the impact of the strategic deliverables in relation to poverty and equalities
- Develop more tangible and quantifiable strategic deliverables with timescales
- Align recovery plan actions with the deliverables ensuring these were in line with resources
- Align Council of the Future (COTF) priority projects
- Ensure the skills and capacity of the workforce are aligned to deliver on the key elements of the framework
- Provide a platform for the refresh of the Five-Year Business Plan and Corporate Plan
- Inform the production of the Falkirk Plan with Community Planning Partners later in 2020/21.

Decision

The Emergency Executive agreed the Vision Framework as the basis for progressing the Council's Corporate Plan and Five - Year Business Plan.