EE15. Falkirk Council Strategic Plans and Vision Framework

The Emergency Executive considered a report by the Chief Executive which outlined the way forward for the Council's key strategic plans and set out a proposal for consultation with Elected Members on the Council's Vision Framework.

There was a need to bring together council plans with an overarching vision to ensure there was a clear, shared reference point for decision-making. Clear priorities would assist the Council in a very constrained and challenging financial environment. The vision would also shape the financial and workforce planning and transformation priorities, all of which were part of the Council's Five-Year Business Plan. The vision would continue to be underpinned by the Council of the Future values of Responsive, Innovative, Trusted and Ambitious. A 'straw man' vision framework had been developed which would be the basis for consultation with Elected Members.

The short to medium term business of the Council would focus on recovery. It was proposed that the recovery plan become a key component of the Council's Five-Business Plans which would incorporate the following:-

- Medium Term Financial Plan
- Workforce Plan
- Council for the Future Change Programme
- Corporate Plan Actions

By adding the recovery plan the Council would capitalise on the synergies across all these plans and programmes with each component part of the business plan and manage the delivery of these through existing governance processes.

The refresh of the Council's Corporate Plan would complement the business plan. The direction of travel for both plans would be informed by establishment of a Vision framework which would be subject to Elected Member consultation. Elected Members would be consulted on the 'straw man' to establish a vision and set clear priorities for the Council. Three short workshops would be held, grouping Elected Members in localities, to evaluate and input to the model. Findings from the workshops would be reported to the Emergency Executive on 25 June.

Decision

The Emergency Executive agreed:-

- (1) the structure of the Council's Five-Year Business Plan and Corporate Plan, incorporating the recovery plan arrangements, and
- (2) the proposal for Elected Member consultation set out in the report.