

Bolsover District Council

Customer Service & Transformation Scrutiny Committee

25th June 2018

<p>Review of The Strategic Alliance – Executive Response</p>

Report of the Chair of Customer Service & Transformation Scrutiny Committee

This report is public

Purpose of the Report

- To present Executive's Response to the Review of The Strategic Alliance to Customer Service & Transformation Scrutiny Committee.

1 Report Details

- 1.1 The Customer Service and Transformation Scrutiny Committee agreed to undertake a review of The Strategic Alliance as part of the 2017/18 work plan following consideration of a range of topics suggested at the Annual Scrutiny Conference.
- 1.2 An Interim Report was approved by the Scrutiny Committee in April 2018 and submitted to Executive in May 2018. The Committee concluded that due to the complexity of the topic reviewed, an Interim Report which further refined the scope and pinpointed more specific areas for review was the best course of action.
- 1.3 This report acknowledges their response to the Review recommendations and advises Committee to commence a period of Post-Scrutiny Monitoring to ensure effective implementation of the approved recommendations.

2 Conclusions and Reasons for Recommendation

- 2.1 Following presentation of the review to Executive, Members agreed all the recommendations proposed as part of the Interim Report.
- 2.2 Members are required to make their report and findings public, in accordance with Part 4.5.17(3) of the Constitution.
- 2.3 Committee is required to monitor implementation of their recommendations in accordance with Part 3.6(2) of the Constitution.

3 Consultation and Equality Impact

- 3.1 All Scrutiny Committees are committed to equality and diversity in undertaking their statutory responsibilities and ensure equalities are considered as part of all

Reviews. The selection criteria when submitting a topic, specifically asks members to identify where the topic suggested affects particular population groups or geographies.

3.2 The Council has a statutory duty under s.149 Equality Act 2010 to have due regard to the need to advance equality of opportunity and to eliminate discrimination.

3.3 As part of the review process there has been a survey of BDC Members to ascertain their views on a range of aspects of the current Alliance arrangements.

4 Alternative Options and Reasons for Rejection

4.1 Committee is required to monitor implementation of their recommendations in accordance with Part 3.6(2) of the Constitution and as such the report cannot be rejected.

5 Implications

5.1 Finance and Risk Implications

5.1.1 None from this report.

5.2 Legal Implications including Data Protection

5.2.1 In carrying out scrutiny reviews the Council is exercising its scrutiny powers as laid out in s.21 of the Local Government Act 2000 and subsequent legislation which added to/amended these powers e.g. the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007.

5.3 Human Resources Implications

5.3.1 None directly from this report.

5.3.2 Recommendation CS&TSc2017/18 2.1 suggests a review topic in relation to the Pay Agreements of the two Authorities within the Alliance. If this topic is taken forward for further review, the subsequent report will acknowledge all relevant HR implications.

6 Recommendations

6.1 That Members note Executive's Response to the Review of The Strategic Alliance.

6.2 That Members make its report and findings public, in accordance with Part 4.5.17(3) of the Constitution.

6.3 That Members and Officers monitor progress on the recommendations and report in twelve months' time highlighting exceptions to delivery.

7 Decision Information

<p>Is the decision a Key Decision? A Key Decision is an executive decision which has a significant impact on two or more District wards or which results in income or expenditure to the Council above the following thresholds: <i>BDC: Revenue - £75,000</i> <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Capital - £150,000</i> <input type="checkbox"/> <i>NEDDC: Revenue - £100,000</i> <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Capital - £250,000</i> <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <i>Please indicate which threshold applies</i></p>	No
<p>Is the decision subject to Call-In? (Only Key Decisions are subject to Call-In)</p>	No
<p>District Wards Affected</p>	All
<p>Links to Corporate Plan priorities or Policy Framework</p>	<p>Aim: Transforming Our Organisation</p> <p>Priority: Maximising opportunities with North East Derbyshire District Council through the Strategic Alliance</p>

8 Document Information

Appendix No	Title				
1.	Review of The Strategic Alliance – Action Plan				
<p>Background Papers (These are unpublished works which have been relied on to a material extent when preparing the report. They must be listed in the section below. If the report is going to Cabinet (NEDDC) or Executive (BDC) you must provide copies of the background papers)</p> <p>All documents related to the Review of The Strategic Alliance.</p> <p>Please contact Scrutiny & Elections Officer where further information is required.</p>					
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