

Bolsover District Council

Growth Scrutiny Committee

27th March 2019

Review of Income Generation – Executive Response

Report of the Chair of Growth Scrutiny Committee

This report is public

Purpose of the Report

- To present Executive's Response to the Review of Income Generation to Growth Scrutiny Committee.

1 Report Details

- 1.1 The Growth Scrutiny Committee agreed to undertake a Review of Income Generation, as part of the 2017/18 work plan following consideration of a range of topics suggested at the Annual Scrutiny Conference.
- 1.2 While the Committee agreed the scope of this review early in the municipal year 2017/18, due to changes in staffing internally the review did not progress as planned. As a result we further refined the scope in January 2018, which allowed us to re-focus on assessing how we had generated Income to date and identify new ways of increasing income to the Authority. Due to the changes during 2017/18, Members agreed to continue the review in to 2018/19, to ensure a full investigation was completed.
- 1.3 The aims of the review were:
- to consider what has already been done to generate income
 - to consider what other authorities have done to generate income
 - to make recommendations on ways for the authority to generate income
- 1.4 There were a number of areas of investigation that have ultimately been subsumed in to the Transformation Plan 2018. Members acknowledge that there will now be a specific route for delivery of these initiatives, via the Transformation Governance Group, and urge those involved to look at the initiatives we have identified as a priority for further exploration over the next twelve months.
- 1.5 The Committee submitted 11 recommendations which will hopefully assist the Council in identifying new investments and mechanisms for income generation.

- 1.6 This report acknowledges Executive's 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 Members are required to make their report and findings public, in accordance with Part 4.5.17(3) of the Constitution.
- 2.2 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.

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.
- 4.2 That Members note Executive's response to the review recommendations and agree to review progress on the approved recommendations. A progress report will be submitted in twelve months' time, with any exceptions to expected delivery highlighted.

5 Implications

5.1 Finance and Risk Implications

- 5.1.1 None from this report. Any future investments and service/staffing changes would be subject to separate approval via Executive or Delegated Decision, subject to the level of finance required. A number of initiatives identified will be considered as part of the Transformation Plan 2018.

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.

6 Recommendations

6.1 That Members note Executive’s Response to the Review of Income Generation.

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

6.3 That 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:</i> <i>Revenue - £75,000</i> <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Capital - £150,000</i> <input type="checkbox"/> <i>NEDDC:</i> <i>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>Has the relevant Portfolio Holder been informed</p>	Yes
<p>District Wards Affected</p>	N/A
<p>Links to Corporate Plan priorities or Policy Framework</p>	<p>Aim: Unlocking our Growth Potential Priorities: Supporting Enterprise; Unlocking Development Potential; Enabling Housing Growth</p> <p>Aim: Transforming Our Organisation Priorities: Making the best use of our assets; Ensuring financial sustainability and increasing revenue streams</p>

8 Document Information

Appendix No	Title
1.	Review of Income Generation – 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 Income Generation. Please contact Scrutiny & Elections Officer where further information is required.</p>	
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