
**EXCERPT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE
EXECUTIVE
HELD ON 24 AUGUST 2015**

EX.93/15 CARLISLE PLAN 2015 - 2018
(Key Decision – KD.28/15)

Portfolio Leader's

Relevant Overview and Scrutiny Panel Community; Environment and Economy;
and Resources

Subject Matter

The Leader submitted report PC.11/15 presenting the draft Carlisle Plan.

By way of background, the Leader informed Members that the first Carlisle Plan 2013-16 was a departure from the previous Corporate Plan formats to remind all that the Council served Carlisle first. That change was embodied in the vision: to promote Carlisle as a prosperous City, one of which we could be proud.

An extensive period of consultation, the Listening Council initiative (2013), was undertaken by the Leader and Executive to engage with communities around the priorities. That consultative approach had continued through key projects such as the draft Local Plan and Arts Centre.

In addition, the 2014/15 End of Year Performance Report provided updates on key actions within the Carlisle Plan. It highlighted the progress the Council had reached through the priorities and promoting Carlisle as a prosperous City. Details of the key achievements were set out at Section 1.3 of report PC.11/15.

The Council had undertaken a Peer Review in September 2014 to challenge its performance and help prepare for the future. The review compared its services nationally, providing an opportunity to benchmark against the best authorities and guide the thinking for the future development of services and employees.

The Peer Review found that the Carlisle Plan 2013-16 provided a strong focus for the Council's activities through the key priorities. It suggested that the Council could use a refresh of the Plan as an opportunity to maintain impact and momentum with diminishing resources. The development of the new Carlisle Plan offered an opportunity to build on the Council's successes and address new challenges.

Attention was then drawn to the draft Carlisle Plan 2015-18 (attached as Appendix 1) which set out the Council's overall vision for Carlisle, supported by five priorities. The vision gave a clear direction and context for all of the Council's activities. Opportunities

to improve health, wellbeing and economic prosperity would be maximized through the five priorities that supported the vision.

The Leader advised that progress against the plan would be measured through a new performance framework; the framework would include progress in key projects, risk and opportunities; and a new set of measures. The performance framework would be monitored through the Directorate Management Team meetings with a quarterly report being presented to Senior Management Team. A quarterly summary of performance would be reported to Executive and made available to Overview and Scrutiny. It was proposed that the plan be reviewed annually, prior to the setting of service plans within the Council's Directorates.

The Leader added that a programme of 'Listening Council' events would be held from 24 August 2015 to give residents the opportunity to comment on the draft plans for Carlisle's future. In addition to consultation with partners, community and voluntary groups consultation would also be carried out the Youth Council to seek their views on the plan.

In conclusion, the Leader moved the recommendations which were seconded by the Deputy Leader, and Environment and Transport Portfolio Holder

Summary of options rejected None

DECISION

That the Executive:

1. Referred the draft Carlisle Plan to Overview and Scrutiny Panels for consultation.
2. Referred the draft Carlisle Plan to partners and the community for consultation.

Reasons for Decision

To ensure that the Council consulted fully with its partners and the public