

Report to Cabinet

Subject: Annual Report 2021/22
Date: 6 July 2022
Author: Senior Leadership Team

Wards Affected

Borough wide

Purpose

To seek Cabinet agreement to the wide publication of the proposed Annual Report for 2021/22

Key Decision

This is not a key decision.

Recommendation

It is recommended that Cabinet approve the proposed Annual Report 2021/22 for wide publication internally and externally as described within the report

1 Background

- 1.1 This is the third occasion on which an Annual Report has been produced. The document is designed to be a summary of the work that has been undertaken over the last year and a celebration of what has been achieved.
- 1.2 This year the Council has begun to move forward towards a “new normal” following several very difficult years. This report is an opportunity not just to give feedback on data and outputs but a real chance to celebrate what has been possible in terms of outcomes. As was the case last year, these new ways of working have also afforded the council opportunity to work even more closely with our residents and businesses to build very positive and sometimes, longer-term relationships.
- 1.3 For this year again the Annual Report includes specific reference to our work in response to the pandemic as well as the service-based successes that we have enjoyed.

- 1.4 Once agreed the report will be published on the Council Website, in our Contacts magazine, through social media and, as importantly, we will communicate the contents to our staff, many of whom have again worked by choice well beyond what we would normally ask of them.

2 Proposal

- 2.1 It is proposed that following approval by Cabinet that the Annual Report 2021/22 (Appendix 1) is publicised as described above.

3 Alternative Options

- 3.1 To not publish the Annual report. To take this option would be a lost opportunity to recognise the excellent service that the Council has provided through the hard work of its staff and Members.

4 Financial Implications

- 4.1 There are no financial implications arising from this report. Inclusion in the next Contacts will be part of the normal delivery cycle and contained within existing budgets.

5 Legal Implications

- 5.1 There is no legal requirement to publicise information in this format and there are no legal implications arising from this report.

6 Equalities Implications

- 6.1 There are no equalities implications arising out of this report.

7 Carbon Reduction/Sustainability Implications

- 7.1 There are no carbon reduction/sustainability implications arising out of this report.

8 Appendices

- 8.1 Appendix 1 – Annual Report 2021/22

9 Background Papers

- 9.1 None identified.

10 Reasons for Recommendations

- 10.1 To invite Members to authorise the publication of the Annual Report in order to properly reflect to residents, businesses and service users, the valuable services that the Council provides and to raise awareness amongst staff of what they and their colleagues have achieved over the year.

Statutory Officer approval**Approved by:**

Chief Financial Officer

Date:

28 June 2022

Approved by:

Monitoring Officer

Date:

Previously approved 24 June 2021