

Subject: **Creating a Council the City Deserves:
Intelligent Commissioning**

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Report of: **Director of Strategy and Governance**

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Wards Affected: All

FOR GENERAL RELEASE

1. SUMMARY AND POLICY CONTEXT:

1.1 Members will be aware of the change management programme currently being developed entitled 'A Council the City Deserves', one strand of which, Intelligent Commissioning, seeks to strengthen how effective the council is at meeting needs with the resources it has.

1.2 Following Cabinet reports on the 22 April and the 27 May, appendices A and B respectively, Intelligent Commissioning proposals have been published for consultation. This report presents the proposed changes to scrutiny, provides an opportunity for members to question the Chief Executive and allows for the OSC to forward comments to Cabinet for consideration when consultation feedback and final changes are to be agreed in September 2010.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS:

2.1 That members:

(1) Note the two cabinet papers appended to this report.

(2) Provide comments on the overall approach being proposed by the Intelligent Commissioning model.

3. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

3.1 The Intelligent Commissioning programme is about changing the way the council works with partners in the public, private and voluntary sector to create services that focus on the needs of our residents.

3.2 This will involve:

- Agreeing a set of high level outcomes for the city.
- Taking a strategic and long term perspective to balance the needs, priorities and resources against outcomes.
- Working with residents to co-design services to meet these outcomes.
- Drawing on resources of the council and other organisations in the voluntary and private sector to commission services to meet these outcomes.
- Constantly measuring and evaluating how needs are being met, to ensure that we deliver the services our residents require and focus on the impact of our actions on their lives.
- This approach will ensure that our services deliver outcomes that meet the needs of our residents. It will mean a new structure to put this into practice.

3.3 Details of the proposals can be found in appendices A and B.

4. CONSULTATION

4.1 Consultation on the proposals outlined in the appendices with members, staff and partners is ongoing. This report forms part of the consultation process.

5. FINANCIAL & OTHER IMPLICATIONS:

Financial Implications:

5.1 None arising directly from this report. Please see implications in attached reports.

Legal Implications:

5.2 None arising directly from this report. Please see implications in attached reports.

Equalities Implications:

5.3 None arising directly from this report. Please see implications in attached reports.

Sustainability Implications:

- 5.4 None arising directly from this report. Please see implications in attached reports.

Crime & Disorder Implications:

- 5.5 None arising directly from this report. Please see implications in attached reports.

Risk and Opportunity Management Implications:

- 5.6 None arising directly from this report. Please see implications in attached reports.

Corporate / Citywide Implications:

- 5.7 None arising directly from this report. Please see implications in attached reports.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION

Appendices:

- A. Cabinet Report 22 April – Creating a Council the City Deserves: a transformation programme for Brighton and Hove City Council
- B. Cabinet Report 27 May – Creating a Council the City Deserves: Proposals for a new organisational structure

Documents in Members' Rooms:

None

Background Documents:

- 1. As set out in the appended documents

