

**Teignbridge District Council
Executive Committee**

9 July 2024

Part i

Report Title-Teignbridge Council Productivity Plan

Purpose of Report

To seek Executive approval of the Council Productivity Plan to enable it to be submitted to the Department of Levelling Up, Housing & Communities by 19 July 2024

Recommendation(s)

The Committee RESOLVES to:

Approve the Teignbridge Council Productivity Plan 2024

Delegate authority to the Head of Communities & Service Improvement, in consultation with the Leader, to update the productivity plan as required.

Financial Implications

There are no direct financial implications arising from this report other than the requirement of the productivity plan incorporates the work being done around the Modern 25 agenda to drive out savings for the Authority. See also 2a.

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Legal Implications

There are no legal implications arising from this report per se. Whilst there is no statutory obligation to submit such a Plan it would be in the best interests of the Council to do so.

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Risk Assessment

See 2b below

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Environmental/ Climate Change Implications

See 2c below

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Appendices/Background Papers

Appendix I Teignbridge Council Productivity Plan July 2024

Introduction/Background

1.1 The Local Government Financial Settlement announced that Councils would be asked to produce productivity plans. The Minister for Local Government wrote to local authorities on the 16 April 2024, requesting that the plans be submitted by 19 July 2024. There is a requirement for member oversight and endorsement of the plan before submission and it is required to be uploaded to the Council's website. Once received, the Department will review the plans to identify common themes and issues across the sector, which will then be considered by a panel of sector experts, including OFLOG and the LGA.

1.2 There is no prescribed template for submitting the plan. Local authorities have been asked to consider the following questions when compiling the document:

How you have transformed the design and delivery of services to make better use for resources

How you plan to take advantage of technology and make better use of data in decision making

Plans to reduce wasteful spend in the organisation.

Barriers to preventing progress that government can help with or remove.

Implications, Risk Management and Climate Change Impact

Financial

The plan incorporates existing work centred around the Modern 25 agenda to drive out savings and efficiencies for the Authority

Risks

There are no risks associated with the plan. The wider risks are around potential non delivery of aspects of the work already ongoing within the plan.

Environmental/Climate Change Impact

The productivity plan appended to the report provides an update on current processes and issues; where changes to these processes are considered subsequently to this plan, then environmental impacts may need to be addressed on a case-by-case basis.

Consultation

This plan has been drafted following consultation with the Senior Leadership Team, Corporate Management Team, Portfolio Holder for Finance and Strata.

Conclusion

We are required to submit the plan by 19th July. Executive are requested to agree the plan to enable submission and thereafter the plan will be published on the Councils website. There may be a future requirement for the plan to be updated or amended, hence delegated authority is requested for this to be undertaken by the Head of Communities and Service Improvement in consultation with the Leader.