

Overview and Scrutiny – Executive Member Bi-Annual Update

Councillor Richard Keeling – Executive Member for Corporate Strategy, Local Government Reorganisation, Devolution, Strategic Partnerships, and Governance

<p>Services and legal responsibilities covered by Executive Member remit:</p>	<p>Corporate Strategy</p> <p>I am responsible for setting the long-term council vision and corporate plan, making sure there is alignment of all services with strategic priorities. I ensure there is performance monitoring across departments with oversight of transformation and efficiency programmes.</p> <p>My legal responsibilities are to ensure decisions comply with a best value duty and proper use of public funds.</p> <p>LGR</p> <p>I lead the council participation in structural changes required for the new Unitaries, working with neighbouring councils and central government and oversee business cases and transition governance.</p> <p>Devolution</p> <p>We are awaiting direction from government on true devolution.</p> <p>Strategic Partnership</p> <p>I am working with multiple agencies including, NHS bodies, Police, County council, Voluntary sector, Business groups on initiatives (e.g. health, housing, community safety).</p> <p>Governance</p> <p>I have oversight of decision-making processes including the constitution and committee system which includes member conduct and standards whilst supporting transparency and accountability.</p>
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<p>Strategic Plan objectives</p>	<p>One Teignbridge</p> <p>The objectives are a shared vision for the district’s future, reflecting community priorities gathered through consultation, the aim to focus resources and decision-making on the issues that matter most to residents, especially given financial constraints.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Listen and respond to local issues • Strengthen communities and support vulnerable resident • Economy <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support local businesses and job creation • Work with partners to grow a resilient local economy • Environment <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Protect and enhance the natural environment • Respond to climate change and reduce carbon impact • Homes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tackle the housing crisis • Enable access to safe, warm, and affordable homes • Infrastructure <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Deliver essential services, facilities, and transport networks • Support growth with appropriate infrastructure
<p>Service Delivery updates (inc. budget monitoring, performance information, risks, customer feedback)</p>	<p>As Leader I set overall direction and priorities for the council, ensuring service delivery aligns with, agreed policies and budget strategy.</p>

<p>Upcoming decisions, how Overview and Scrutiny can support the delivery of the strategic plan or any other information relevant for the Overview and Scrutiny Forward Plan</p>	<p>The Overview and Scrutiny Committee has a key role in supporting the delivery of the Council's Strategic Plan and ensuring effective governance. This can be achieved in my opinion by focusing on our delivery of projects so that we can deliver for the residents leading up to the LGR hand over to the Unitary in under 2 years. I look forward to working with you to achieve this.</p>
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