



Governance Scrutiny Group

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Asset Management Plan

Report of the Executive Manager Transformation

Cabinet Portfolio Holder for Business and Transformation

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1. Purpose of report

- 1.1. The Council's assets are significant and sit at the centre of the organisation. The portfolio should support the Council's aims and objectives and be managed efficiently, effectively and economically.
- 1.2. The Council has a diverse portfolio, ranging from community assets such as community centres, parks and open space serving the residents of the borough, through to commercial and investment property, providing an income to the Council and accommodation for small local businesses.
- 1.3. An Asset Management Strategy seeks to align the asset portfolio with the needs of the organisation. The Council's Corporate objectives express the aims and goals of the Council and the Strategy sets out at a high level how the land and building portfolio are aligned with this. The Strategy seeks to plan and manage property as a corporate resource for the benefit of the people of Rushcliffe.
- 1.4. Sitting under the Asset Management Strategy is the Asset Management Plan, which sets out the detail of how the Council manages its land and building assets over a five year plan.
- 1.5. This report sets out the content of the high level Strategy for consideration. Following Scrutiny, the Asset Management Strategy and Plan will be considered at Cabinet and then full Council.

2. Recommendation

It is RECOMMENDED that

- a) The contents of the report and Appendices are noted and any changes will be reviewed by Cabinet
- b) To consider the contents of the appendices and the structure set out to manage the Council's assets

3. Supporting Information

- 3.1. The aim of the Asset Management Strategy and Plan is to ensure the Council has the right property in the right place and is fit for purpose to meet current and future service needs and support the Council's medium/long term financial strategy.
- 3.2. It sets out how we will manage and maintain property effectively, efficiently and sustainably, together with optimising financial return and commercial opportunities and supporting and growing local business.
- 3.3. To use land and buildings to stimulate regeneration, growth and improvement to the local place and supporting and encouraging new business to the area. Also to promote partnership working, for joint benefits and securing efficiencies.
- 3.4. The Strategy also aligns the management of the asset portfolio across the organisation, considering individual service policies and strategies and ensuring a holistic and comprehensive 'one Council' approach.
- 3.5. Appendix A provides an Asset Management Strategy and shows the Council's aims and objectives and how the Council's assets are managed in this context.
- 3.6. Appendix B provides the Action Plan that forms part of the AMP, converting the strategy to action and is a 'living' document.
- 3.7. Appendix C provides a list of Council owned assets.
- 3.8. Corporate Governance Scrutiny Group is asked to consider the content of the Appendices and the structure set out to manage the Council's assets.

4. Risks and Uncertainties

- 4.1. Ineffective management of the Council's property portfolio has negative implications and impacts for service delivery for residents, income generation, business support and growth, partner working and regeneration. This Strategy and the Asset Management Plan aim to mitigate these negative impacts to ensure a cohesive, 'one Council' embedded approach to managing the Council's assets.

5. Implications

5.1. Financial Implications

- 5.1.1. There are no direct financial implications from the report although asset management will give rise to both revenue and capital consequences whether actions require repair and maintenance or enhancement. These will be reflected in the Council's Medium Term Financial Strategy

5.2. Legal Implications

5.2.1. There are no direct Legal Implications arising from this report

5.3. Equalities Implications

5.3.1. The Strategy aims to be fully inclusive, providing accessible services and buildings.

5.4. Section 17 of the Crime and Disorder Act 1998 Implications

5.4.1. The Council's assets are effectively managed to ensure they are safe and legislation compliant i.e. asbestos and legionella management. Regular surveys and a robust management plan are in place to keep the assets safe and secure.

6. Link to Corporate Priorities

Quality of Life	Residents directly benefit from the effective management of a well maintained and efficient portfolio to enable effective service delivery to residents.
Efficient Services	As with Quality of Life, having well placed assets with effective management of assets enables services to be delivered to a high standard across the borough.
Sustainable Growth	Managing assets in the right place, effective partnership working and providing a support system for local business.
The Environment	Ensuring sustainable design in new assets and working to reduce the impact of existing assets on the environment.

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Background papers available for Inspection:	<i>[be specific – set out a list of the documents relating to the subject matter which disclose any facts or matters on which the report, or an important part of it is based, and which have been relied on to a material extent in preparing the report]</i>
List of appendices:	Appendix A Asset Management Strategy Appendix B Action Plan Appendix C Asset List