

# 2010 to 2015 Corporate Strategy

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# Welcome

Welcome to the second annual update of Cheltenham Borough Council's corporate strategy 2010-2015.

The development of the 2012-13 action plan has, like last year's plan, taken place against the background of the international financial crisis which has resulted in significant cuts in public expenditure in the United Kingdom. Consequently, the draft budget for 2012/13 has had to bridge a financial gap of just over £1m. This is on top of the £2.87m gap that was addressed in the 2011-12 budget.

The over-arching priority for the 2012-13 corporate strategy therefore will be the continued delivery of value for money for local tax-payers.

### **Our Vision**

The Corporate Strategy 2010-2015 continues its support for the Cheltenham's community strategy twenty year vision for Cheltenham which sets out an aspirational goal for the long-term future of Cheltenham:

"We want Cheltenham to deliver a sustainable quality of life, where people, families, their communities and businesses thrive; and in a way which cherishes our cultural and natural heritage, reduces our impact on climate change and does not compromise the quality of life of present and future generations."

### Commissioning

The Council adopted a strategic commissioning approach which puts a strong focus on understanding the needs of Cheltenham and its people in designing outcomes for public services, seeking to work much more closely (including sharing budgets where appropriate) with other parts of the public service and the voluntary and community sector (VCS) and making objective, transparent, evidence-based decisions about how services should be provided and by whom. By using a strategic commissioning approach we will improve the outcomes for people who rely on the council and the wider public sector whilst at the same time creating opportunities for financial savings.

"By April 2012, we will lead our community by taking a commissioning approach. We will be driven by the needs of people and place, in order to improve wellbeing, the economy and the environment and use resources efficiently and effectively"

As part of our commitment to this vision we will explore different ways of delivering services that meet the needs of our customers and deliver value for money.

# Input from partnerships

Following the endorsement of new partnership structures in October 2011, partners have undertaken a piece of work to identify the most-pressing issues for partnership activity where there is both corroborating data/evidence and a willingness from partners to work collectively on solutions. The draft list, which was endorsed by the Cheltenham Strategic Partnership, is as follows:

- Ensuring that our young people have access to a suitable range of positive activities
- · Building stronger and more resilient communities
- Reducing alcohol and substance misuse
- Tackling anti social behaviour
- Tackling emerging crime
- · Reducing harm, vulnerability and poverty

The draft action plan includes specific commitments to support the delivery of these six priorities.

# Meeting needs in our communities

Under the Equality Act 2010, the council now has to comply with the public sector equality duty which came into force on 6 April 2011. The Equality Duty ensures that all public bodies play their part in making society fairer by tackling discrimination and providing equality of opportunity for all. As part of this we have a duty to set and publish equality objectives every four years; this is to be done in the first instance by 6 April 2012. We have already published equality information in relation to both our employees and people who are affected by our policies and services.

We have developed three objectives that we feel are most important in promoting equality and diversity:

- Listening and responding to a wide-range of communities.
- · Promoting fair access to our services;
- Ensuring fair employment practices;

These three objectives relate back to our corporate equality and diversity policy that was agreed by the council in March 2008. The actions we will take forward in the coming year are as follows:

# Listening and responding to a wide-range of communities.

### **Our commitment**

We will provide a framework for the consultation and engagement with communities in the commissioning of our services so that we are better able to provide services that are responsive to the needs of our customers

### **Actions**

- Develop engagement mechanisms that pay regard to people who share the protected characteristics covered by the equality duty.
- Continue to work in partnership with the police, housing providers and the voluntary sector to respond to
  incidents of hate crime through the Cheltenham Anti-Social Behaviour Working Group and the
  Gloucestershire Hate Crime Group.

# Promoting fair access to our services

### **Our commitment**

We will ensure that customers, service users and the wider community of Cheltenham have fair access to our services and are not discriminated against in any aspect of our service delivery.

## Actions

- Continue to use an equality impact assessment process to assess the impacts of key decisions on groups of people.
- Embed equality considerations into commissioning and our procurement approach to ensure that relevant equality issues are taken into account when designing and procuring services.

# **Ensuring fair employment practices**

### **Our commitment**

We will ensure fair and equal opportunity in all areas of employment, including recruitment and selection, appraisals, learning and development and the career development of our employees.

# Actions

- Commit to the regular publication of workforce intelligence reports that will help monitor trends in our workforce in terms of recruitment, retention, turn-over and sickness absence.
- Provide equality and diversity training for our employees so that they are able to help implement our equality objectives.

Our outcomes and what we want to achieve in 2012-13

# **Enhancing and protecting our environment**

# Cheltenham has a clean and well-maintained environment.

Who is accountable for this outcome

Cabinet lead: Cabinet Member Sustainability

Commissioner lead: Grahame Lewis

Provider lead Ubico – the new local authority company

# how will the council commission this work in the future to secure longer-term delivery of this outcome, deliver improved value for money and to address risks

The council agreed in 2011 to establish a joint local authority company with Cotswold District Council to deliver the following services:

• Waste collection, kerbside recycling collections, organic waste collections, servicing of neighbourhood recycling sites, operation of the Swindon Road recycling centre, street cleaning, public toilet cleaning, grounds maintenance, grounds maintenance of Cheltenham Borough Homes, fleet management and maintenance.

# What are our planned improvement actions in 2012-13 to deliver this outcome and to address risks?

Improvement Action	Key milestones	Dates	Lead
We will ensure a smooth implementation of the new Local Authority Company, Ubico, from 1 April 2012.	<ul> <li>New company established.</li> <li>Transfer of SITA employees (Cotswold).</li> <li>Work with other partners who wish to join the company.</li> </ul>	1 4 2012 6.8.2012 31.3.2013	Jane Griffiths, Director Commissioning Rob Bell, Ubico
We will increase take-up of the garden waste and trade waste schemes.	<ul> <li>Implement the roll out of the garden waste bag scheme and monitor take-up.</li> <li>Explore opportunities to increase plastic recycling for consideration in the 2013/14 budget.</li> </ul>	31.3.2013 30.11.2012	Rob Bell, Ubico Scott Williams, Strategic Client Officer
We will work with GCC and other districts on the development of a Joint Waste Committee.	To review the business case and report back to Cabinet.	30.9 2012	Jane Griffiths, Director Commissioning

### How will we know what difference we have made in 2012-13

Proposed indicators	Measured by this indicator	Baseline (March 2011)	March 2013 Target	Lead
Service indicators	<ul> <li>Residual household waste per head</li> <li>Percentage of household waste recycled and composted</li> <li>Percentage of refuse and recycling materials collected on the designated day</li> </ul>	590kg 34.4% new indicator	500kg 48% 99%	Rob Bell, Ubico

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# **Enhancing and protecting our environment**

Cheltenham's natural and built environment is enhanced and protected.

# Who is accountable for this outcome

Cabinet lead: Cabinet Member Built Environment

Commissioner lead: Grahame Lewis
Provider lead Mike Redman

# How will the council commission this work in the future to secure longer-term delivery of this outcome, deliver improved value for money and to address risks

Following a commissioning review, the council agreed in 2011 to continue providing built environment services through its in-house provider. These services are as follows: Building Control, Strategic Land Use, Development Management, Urban Design and Heritage and Conservation. The in-house service will be tested against the market in 2013.

Following the creation of the Ubico, the joint local authority company, we will undertake a commissioning review of how best we provide our green space services in 2013/14

# What are our planned improvement actions in 2012-13 to deliver this outcome and to address risks?

Improvement Action	Key milestones	Dates	Lead
We will listen to the feedback from the developing options consultation and bring forward the	Consideration of revisions to JCS in light of 2011/12 public consultation by JCS Member Steering Group.	30.6.12	Tracey Crews, Strategic Land Use Manager
preferred option for the Joint Core Strategy for council approval in 2012.	Consideration of revisions to JCS in light of 2011/12 public consultation by CBC planning working group.	30.6.12	Manager
	Consideration of preferred option by Council for purposes of public consultation.	30.9.12	
	Completion of public consultation on preferred option.	31.12.12	
We will implement the recommendations of the	Business plan setting out how service will deliver the	31.5.2012	Mike Redman, Director Built
Built environment commissioning review and	agreed outcomes.	04.44.0040	Environment
prepare for market testing in 2013.	First interim review of performance.	31.11.2012	

### How will we know what difference we have made in 2012-13

	Measured by this indicator	Baseline (2011- 12)	March 2013 Target	Lead
	Number of applications:			Mike Redman, Director Built
	Received / Determined / Approved / Refused /	1590 / 1346 /	no target set, trends	Environment
	Appealed	1295 / 57 / 29	to be monitored.	
Proposed indicators	Number of days to process an application from	65 days	no target set, trends	Mike Redman, Director Built
Proposed indicators	receipt to issuing of decision		to be monitored.	Environment
	Number / percentage of planning appeals	42%	no target set, trends	Mike Redman, Director Built
	allowed		to be monitored.	Environment
	Number of projects implemented as a result of	1	2	Wilf Tomaney, Urban Design Manager
	working with local interest groups on street			
	redesign projects			

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# **Enhancing and protecting our environment**

Carbon emissions are reduced and Cheltenham is able to adapt to the impacts of climate change.

# Who is accountable for this outcome

Cabinet lead: Cabinet Member Sustainability

Commissioner lead: Jane Griffiths

Provider lead Dave Roberts, Head of Property Services

How will the council commission this work in the future to secure longer-term delivery of this outcome, deliver improved value for money and to address risks

The council will continue to set the strategic framework for this outcome.

# What are our planned improvement actions in 2012-13 to deliver this outcome and to address risks?

Improvement Action	Key milestones	Dates	Lead
We will implement a range of	Evaporative cooling installed in the server room at the Municipal Offices.	30.9.2012	Dave Roberts, Head of Property
energy saving initiatives that	Low energy LED lighting installed in the swimming pool hall at Leisure@.	30.6.2012	Services
will reduce the council's	Grosvenor Terrace car-park upgraded.	30.9.2012	
carbon emissions.	Voltage optimisation project implemented in council buildings.	31.3.2013	

### How will we know what difference we have made in 2012-13

Proposed indicators	Measured by this indicator	Baseline (year)	March 2013 Target	Lead
What will we do directly and be accountable for - Service indicators	Reduction in CO2 emissions from energy use, fuel use	4,661 tonnes CO <sub>2</sub> (2005/06) – we now report our emissions as CO <sub>2</sub> e (carbon dioxide equivalent) not just CO <sub>2</sub> and using DEFRA reporting guidelines baseline has changed to 5,557 tonnes CO <sub>2</sub> e for 2005/6	4,599 tonnes CO2e (based on 40% reduction target by 2020 from 2005/6 levels - adoption of target subject to business case)	Gill Morris, Climate Change and Sustainability Officer
	Gas and electricity consumption  Office recycling  Water use	10,992,635 kWh (2008/9)  Figures for year 2011/12 will be used to set a baseline  Figures for year 2011/12 will be used to set a baseline	9,893,372 kWh (10% reduction on baseline – target in asset mgt strategy)	

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# Strengthening our economy

# Cheltenham has a strong and sustainable economy

Who is accountable for this outcome

Cabinet lead: Leader of the Council

Commissioner lead: Jane Griffiths Provider lead Mike Redman

How will the council commission this work in the future to secure longer-term delivery of this outcome, deliver improved value for money and to address risks

The council will continue to directly provide an economic development function but has already commissioned Cheltenham Development Task Force to take the lead in bringing forward plans for the revitalisation of our town centre. The council will also work in partnership with businesses and their representative bodies who make-up Cheltenham Business Partnership and the Gloucestershire Local Enterprise Partnership to deliver this outcome.

# What are our planned improvement actions in 2012-13 to deliver this outcome and to address risks?

Improvement Action	Key milestones	Dates	Lead
We will make significant progress	Complete the sale of North Place/Portland Street which itself is predicated on receipt of	31.8.2012	Jeremy Williamson,
on the our plans to revitalise Cheltenham's town centre	a planning permission.	31.8.2012	Managing Director,
through Cheltenham	Complete plans to revitalise Grosvenor Terrace car park.  Les development enperturities to improve access to the Browery site from the High	30.9.2012	Cheltenham Development Task Force
Development Task Force.	Use development opportunities to improve access to the Brewery site from the High Street and improve the local street-scene.	00.0.2012	Table Toroc
201010p	Consultation on the opportunity of AGM redevelopment to bring forward plans to	31.8.2012	
	regenerate St. Marys Churchyard.		
	Invest collaboratively with GCC over Promenade East public realm improvements.	30.6.2012	
	Work with GCC to review findings from Junction efficiency trial on St. Margaret's Road.	30.6.2012	
We will prepare for the move of	Explore funding for a new tourism website.	30.4.12	Jane Lillystone, Museum,
our Tourist Information Centre to	Testing new ways of delivering joint TIC / AG&M customer services prior to the move,	31.3.13	Arts and Tourism Manager
the redeveloped Art Gallery and	ready for the opening.	24 2 42	
Museum ready for opening in April 2013.	Review of signage within the town (i.e. signposting visitors to the new building) will need to be considered as part of the re-location plans.	31.3.13	
We will undertake a review of	Launch 2012 round with clear application guidelines and promote widely.	30.4.2012	Richard Gibson, Strategy
2011 Promoting Cheltenham	Assess applications and award funding.	31.7.2012	and Engagement Manager
Fund to inform how the 2012	1 - 7 toocoo apphoanono ana awara fananig.	0	
funds are allocated.			
We will commission support and	Ensure that the business support service is in place as soon as possible.	30.6.2012	Richard Gibson, Strategy
advice for local businesses so			and Engagement Manager
that they are more resilient.			

### How will we know what difference we have made in 2012-13

Proposed indicators	Measured by this indicator	Baseline (year)	March 2013 Target	Lead
What will we monitor	Unemployment levels - claimant rate % of young people not in education, employment or training	3.3% (January 2012)	We will monitor these and report against local and	Richard Gibson, Strategy and Engagement Manager
	omproyment or adminig	5.7% (January 2012)	regional averages	

# Communities feel safe and are safe.

Who is accountable for this outcome

Cabinet lead: Cabinet Member Housing and Safety

Commissioner lead: Jane Griffiths Provider lead Sonia Phillips

# How will the council commission this work in the future to secure longer-term delivery of this outcome, deliver improved value for money and to address risks

The council will continue to directly provide a range of services that support this outcome including the work of the Public Protection Team who lead on licensing, environmental health, promoting community safety and tackling anti-social behaviour. The council is also committed to working in partnership with the Gloucestershire Police and Crime Commissioner who will be in post from November 15<sup>th</sup> and a wide range of other agencies to support delivery of this outcome.

# What are our planned improvement actions in 2012-13 to deliver this outcome and to address risks?

Improvement Action	Key milestones	Dates	Lead
We will continue to work in	To complete a partnership review of the Anti Social Behaviour Working Group to ensure its	31.10.2012	Trevor Gladding,
partnership to reduce incidences	efficiency and effectiveness and monitor progress.		Community Protection
of anti-social behaviour and the	The Anti Social Behaviour Working Group to explore whether gating orders would be beneficial in	31.3.2013	Manager
harm this causes to	addressing anti-social behaviour (and burglary) and to explore potential funding streams.	04 0 0040	
communities	The Anti Social Behaviour Working Group to respond to national guidelines resulting from the	31.3.2013	
	Hidden in Plain Sight final inquiry report into disability related harassment.		
We will explore how best the	To review the effectiveness of phase 1 of the CCTV on the Honeybourne Line project in reducing	31.10.2012	Trevor Gladding,
council can work in partnership	domestic burglary (and ASB) and look for ways to attract external funding to implement phase 2.		Community Protection
to tackle high-profile crime; the	To support the Burglary Task and Finish Group deliver its actions and work to ensure that	31.10.2012	Manager
current focus is on burglary in the town.	resources are in place to deliver all elements linked to this outcome including prevention,	31.10.2012	
the town.	enforcement, intelligence, and communications.		Andrew North, Chief
	<ul> <li>To work with the new Police and Crime Commissioner to ensure that we gain their support for enhancing partnership working in Cheltenham to tackle crime.</li> </ul>	31.3.13	Executive
We will work in partnership to	Review the Reducing Alcohol Related Violence Project and update the principles and Codes of	31.10.2012	Trevor Gladding,
reduce the impact of alcohol to	Practice to meet changes to current licensing legislation.	31.10.2012	Community Protection
individuals and families and	<ul> <li>Support the establishment of a Task and Finish Group to consider how best to reduce the harm</li> </ul>	30.6.2012	Manager
alcohol-related violence.	that alcohol causes to vulnerable people.	00.0.2012	Richard Gibson, Strategy
	that discribi addess to raintriable people.		and Engagement
			Manager

### How will we know what difference we have made in 2012-13

Proposed indicators	Measured by this indicator	Baseline (2010-11)	2013 target	Lead
What will we will monitor	Total volume of recorded crime per	10,187	10,040 (2% pa)	Richard Gibson, Strategy and Engagement
	annum		no targets set	Manager
	Number of anti-social behaviour	7024	for the	
	incidents		remainder,	
	Serious acquisitive crime incidents	2406	monitored by	
	Domestic burglary incidents	1251	Positive	
	Incidents of recorded violence in the	295	Participation	
	Town Centre (Friday & Sat eve.)		Partnership	
	Incidents and repeat incidents of	207 incidents and 79 repeat		
	domestic abuse	incidents (38.16%).		

# People have access to decent and affordable housing.

# Who is accountable for this outcome

Cabinet lead: Cabinet Member Housing and Safety

Commissioner lead: Jane Griffiths

Provider lead Mike Redman / Cheltenham Borough Homes

# How will the council commission this work in the future to secure longer-term delivery of this outcome, deliver improved value for money and to address risks

The council has an arms-length relationship with Cheltenham Borough Homes that manages council properties on its behalf. The duty to provide housing advice is also being taken forward by an external provider and a new contract will be in-place to cover this provision in April 2012.

# What are our planned improvement actions in 2012-13 to deliver this outcome and to address risks?

Improvement Action	Key milestones	Dates	Lead
We will undertake a commissioning review about the best	Complete initial options appraisal	31.10.2012	Jane Griffiths, Director Commissioning
way to deliver our housing options service.			
We will complete our housing review and publish a new	To publish the new Housing & Homelessness	31.7.2012	Jane Griffiths, Director Commissioning
housing and homelessness strategy and develop local	Strategy following consultation and cabinet approval.		
policies in response to the government proposals for			
benefits changes.			
We will enable the provision of more social housing.	Within the context of the HRA business plan to	31.3.2013	Jane Griffiths, Director Commissioning
	consider proposals for new build social housing.		
We will support Cheltenham Borough Homes so that they	complete phase 1 of St. Pauls regeneration project	31.3.2013	Jane Griffiths, Director Commissioning
are able to progress the St. Pauls regeneration project.	Agree plans for phase 2.	31.3.2013	
We will develop local policies in response to the	Delivered via activities identified with the Housing &	31.3.2013	Jane Griffiths, Director Commissioning
government proposals for benefits changes.	Homelessness Strategy.		

### How will we know what difference we have made in 2012-13

Proposed in	ndicators	Measured by this indicator	Baseline	March 2013 Target	Lead
What will we do be accountable findicators		Gross housing completions	2010-11: Gross completions - 150 Net completions - 136 Affordable completions - 23	405 dwellings	Tracy Crews, Strategic Land Use Manager
		The number of households living in Temporary Accommodation	13 as at Dec 2012	25	Martin Stacy, Housing & Communities Manager
		The number of homelessness acceptances (rise in target in recognition that homeless likely to rise due to changes in housing benefit rules)	45 (estimate 2011/12)	55	Martin Stacy, Housing & Communities Manager

# People are able to lead healthy lifestyles.

# Who is accountable for this outcome

Cabinet lead: Cabinet Member Sport and Culture

Commissioner lead: Pat Pratley
Provider lead Sonia Phillips

How will the council commission this work in the future to secure longer-term delivery of this outcome, deliver improved value for money and to address risks

The council is part-way through a commissioning review of its leisure and culture services which include leisure@, Prince of Wales stadium and Sports, Play and Healthy Lifestyles.

# What are our planned improvement actions in 2012-13 to deliver this outcome and to address risks?

Improvement Action	Key milestones	Dates	Lead
We will bring forward thoughts	Discussions to take place with NHS Commissioners to explore future	31.10.2012	Craig Mortiboys, Healthy
about the next steps on how best	opportunities for direct provision of health related activities, alongside the		Communities Partnership Manager
we provide Leisure@ and sports,	traditional mix leisure activities that appeal to casual users and members in a		Stephen Petherick, Commercial
play and healthy lifestyles as part of	challenging and increasingly competitive leisure market.		Manager
our leisure and culture			
commissioning review.			
We will use the opportunity of the	Ensure a well managed Olympic Torch Relay through the town and	23.5.2012	Craig Mortiboys, Healthy
Olympics and the torch relay to	associated evening celebration event at Cheltenham Racecourse.		Communities Partnership Manager
create a legacy that increase	Successfully deliver a series of Olympic related initiatives and events during	31.8.2012	
participation levels and promotes	Summer 2012 in conjunction with local sports clubs and community partners.		
more healthy active lifestyles.			

### How will we know what difference we have made in 2012-13

Proposed indicators	Measured by this indicator	Baseline (2011-12)	March 2013 Target	Lead
What will we do directly and	Attendances during the annual	1,426 attendances in 2011	1,497 in 2012	Craig Mortiboys, Healthy Communities
be accountable for	Summer of Sport initiative		(5% increase)	Partnership Manager
	Overall footfall at leisure@	294500	302000	Stephen Petherick, Commercial Manager
	Attendance free under 16 swim	49700	51000	
	Attendance at Active Life (50+)	35000	55000	
	sessions			
	Attendance on the Re-Active	1000	12000	
	programme			
	Number of GP referrals	250	350	
	Number of Reactive Concession	250	350	
	referrals			
	Concession card scheme	227	2500	
	membership sales			

# Our residents enjoy a strong sense of community and involved in resolving local issues.

# Who is accountable for this outcome

Cabinet lead: Cabinet Member Finance and Community Development

Commissioner lead: Jane Griffiths

Provider lead Strategy and Engagement Team

# How will the council provide this work in the future to secure longer-term delivery of this outcome, deliver improved value for money and to address risks

- We will use the opportunities presented in the Localism Act to empower local people and to ensure that we use community engagement to support commissioning exercises.
- We will fully engage in neighbourhood management in order to address issues of local concern and to strengthen communities.

# What are our planned improvement actions in 2012-13 to deliver this outcome and to address risks?

Improvement Action	Key milestones	Dates	Lead
We will work in partnership to enable more voluntary and community sector organisations to provide positive activities for young people.	For the Positive Lives Partnership to take a report from County Community Projects, Aston Project, Targeted Youth Support Service and others to build up a detailed picture of current provision (gaps, risks and opportunities), an assessment of the impacts on communities of the lack of youth activities and build a business case for a community-based approach for the future.	31.7.2012	Richard Gibson, Strategy and Engagement Manager
	To review the building resilience contract with County Community Projects and put arrangements in place to deliver the second year of the funding.	31.7.2012	
We will deliver the 2012 elections in May and November elections for the Police and Crime Commissioner.	<ul> <li>We will organise the 2012 Borough council elections</li> <li>We will support new councillors through an induction programme and provide ongoing support for all councillors</li> <li>We will organise the Police and Crime Commissioner elections</li> <li>We will prepare for the county council elections being held in May 2013</li> </ul>	3.5.2012 31.7.2012 15.11.2012 31.3.2013	Kim Smith, Elections & electoral registration manager Rosalind Reeves Democratic Services Manager
We will undertake a community governance review of parish boundaries ahead of parish elections in 2014.	Agree terms of reference     Undertake consultation	30.6.2012 30.11.2012	Richard Gibson, Strategy and Engagement Manager
	Report to council recommending future parish council boundaries	31.3.2013	

### How will we know what difference we have made in 2012-13

Proposed indicato	rs	Measured by this indicator	Baseline (year)	March 2013 Target	Lead
What will we do directle be accountable for - So indicators		Number of VCS organisations supported by GAVCA	18 (Sept 2011)	25	Richard Gibson, Strategy and Engagement Manager

# **Enhancing the provision of arts and culture.**

# Arts and culture are used as a means to strengthen communities, strengthen the economy and enhance and protect our environment.

### Who is accountable for this outcome

Cabinet lead: Cabinet Member Sport and Culture

Commissioner lead: Pat Pratley Sonia Phillips

How will the council commission this work in the future to secure longer-term delivery of this outcome, deliver improved value for money and to address risks

The council is part-way through a commissioning review of its leisure and culture services which include the Art Gallery and Museum, Town Hall and Pittville Pump Room.

# What are our planned improvement actions in 2012-13 to deliver this outcome and to address risks?

Improvement Action	Key milestones	Dates	Lead
We will progress the Art Gallery and Museum	Completion of construction programme	31.12.12	Jane Lillystone, Museum, Arts and
redevelopment in order that it is able to open on time from June 2013 and within budget.	Completion of internal fit-out	31.5.13	Tourism Manager
We will review organisational options for Art	Report to Cabinet on the options for the delivery of the	31.7.2012	Pat Pratley, Executive Director
Gallery and Museum service balancing value for	outcomes for the Art Gallery and Museum		
money with the need to deliver a range of agreed			
outcomes.			
We will test outcomes for the Town Hall and	Outcomes reviewed as part of options appraisal	31.7.2012	Pat Pratley, Executive Director
Pittville Pump Room with councils who provide			
other similar venues.			
We will investigate the possibility of major capital	Initial scoping of investment required for options appraisal	31.7.2012	Gary Nejrup, Entertainment & business
investment into the Town Hall to help promote the	Feasibility review depending on outcome of option	31.3.2013	manager / Pat Pratley, Executive Director
building as a first class entertainment venue.	appraisal		5.

# How will we know what difference we have made in 2012-13

Proposed indicators	Measured by this indicator	Baseline (2011/12)	March 2013 Target	Lead
What will we do directly and	AGM - Number of people accessing	20,000	25,000	Jane Lillystone, Museum, Arts and
be accountable for - Service	engagement programme			Tourism Manager
indicators.				
	TH/PPR – ticket sales	£73,990	£68,175	Gary Nejrup, Entertainment & business
AGM = Art Gallery and	TH/PPR – hire income generated	£305,000	£350,300	manager
Museum	TH/PPR - Catering Commission	£100,962	£106,700	
	TH/PPR – Total income	£479,952	£525,175	
TH/PPR = Town Hall and				
Pittville Pump Room	TH/PPR - Web Site Visits	120,000	160,000	

# **Delivering value for money services**

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# We will meet our 'Bridging the Gap' targets for cashable savings and increased income

Who is accountable for this outcome

Cabinet lead: **Commissioner lead: Provider lead** 

Cabinet Member Corporate Services, Cabinet Member Finance and Community Development, Cabinet member Built Environment

Mark Sheldon

Improvement Action	Key milestones	Dates	Lead
We will continue to develop the 'Bridging the Gap'	We will have redeveloped a budget strategy for 2013/14 for approval by Cabinet.	16.10.2012	Mark Sheldon, Director of
programme for delivering future year's savings including for the commissioning reviews.	We will have identified savings and additional income (including those from commissioning) to meet the budget gap identified for 2013/14.	18.12.2012	Resources
Ť	We will have agreed a local policy in response to the localisation of council tax benefit which deals with the implication of a 10% cut in government support.	31.12.2012	
	We will have determined the impact on the MTFS of the government proposals for retention of business rates.	31.12.2012	
We will review the current structure and service provision	We will have considered the potential for a shared service with other councils.	30.5.2012	Mark Sheldon, Director of
for ICT and undertake a sourcing project with a particular focus on a shared	We will have reviewed the ICT service and identified the service outcomes, including member's requirements and sought member's approval to any immediate investment requirements.	30.6.2012	Resources
service model.	We will develop an updated ICT strategy which determines the way forward for the service and gained Cabinet / Council approval.	30.10.2012	
We will develop and publish a fully-costed asset	Develop the AMP to capture corporate aspirations for the council's property portfolio.	31.5.2012	David Roberts, Head of Property
management strategy and contribute to the wider review	We will develop and publish a fully costed Asset Management Plan for approval by Cabinet / Council.	30.6.2012	Services
of asset management being led by Leadership	We will continue to explore opportunities to work collaboratively with other Authorities and public	31.3.2013	
Gloucestershire.	sector bodies.	31.12.2012	
	We will agree an accommodation strategy based on analysis of the options agreed by Cabinet in July 2011.		
We will move to the GO shared service arrangements for Finance, HR, payroll and procurement support.	<ul> <li>Implementation of Agresso ERP system in CBC.</li> <li>TUPE (Transfer of Undertakings (Protection of Employment) Regulations) transfers of staff to GO Shared Services (Cotswold as the employing council).</li> <li>GO Shared Services savings to commence.</li> </ul>	10.4.2012 30.4.2012 1.10.2012	Pat Pratley, Executive Director

We will move to the full partnership arrangements for	TUPE transfers of staff to Cotswold D.C.	30.4.2012	Mark Sheldon, Director of			
audit.	We will have competed an annual audit cycle supported by the partnership.	31.3.2013	Resources			
We will implement the actions agreed from the Investors in	Develop and agree the action plan by end June 2012.	30.06.2012	Amanda Attfield, Head of HR (GO			
People strategic review.	Review progress against the action plan by end October 2012	31.10.2012	Shared Services)			
We will implement new scrutiny arrangements that	Work with members and officers to refine new arrangements and develop new procedures	31.5.2012	Sara Freckleton, Borough Solicitor			
enable us to provide a better overview of our commissioning	Implement new arrangements after elections and complete induction	31.7.2012	and Monitoring Officer			
projects.	Ongoing support for new arrangements during first 6 months and complete review of first year by July 2013		Rosalind Reeves, Democratic Services Manager			
How will we know what differe	How will we know what difference we have made in 2012-13					

Proposed indicators	Measured by this indicator	Baseline (year)	March 2013 Target	Lead
Financial health indicators	Deliver BtG programme savings / income target for 2012/13	2012/13 budget	£1.12m	Director of Resources
	Identify BtG programme savings / income target for 2013/14	MTFS estimate @ Feb 2012 (2013/14) - £734k	£0 – ie close 2013/14 budget gap	
	Medium Term Financial Strategy (MTFS) funding gap	MTFS estimate @ Feb 2012 2013/14 -2017/18) - £2.1m	Reduce the residual MTFS gap.	
What will we do directly and be accountable for - Service	No. days lost due to sickness absence	TBA for 2011-12	7dys per FTE	Julie McCarthy HR Operations Manager (GO Shared Services)
indicators	% staff appraisals completed	2011-12 100%	100%	Jan Bridges HR Learning and Organisational Development Manager (GO
	Customer relations:	2010-11	no targets set;	Shared Services)
	number of stage 3 complaints	stage 3 complaints = 8	performance to	
	number of complaints forwarded to the Local Government Ombudsman complaint	stage 2 complaints = 7 stage 1 complaints = 196	be monitored.	
	investigation team.  • number of Freedom of Information	LGO decisions = 9		
	internal reviews	FOI - internal reviews = 3		

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