# Executive Report 12 July 2017

Councillor Paul Bettison Leader of the Council



#### **Executive Meetings**

Three Executive meetings

- 9 May
- 6 June
- 12 July (Special)



#### Residents Survey

Total sample 1800 residents

Demographics mirror Borough: accuracy  $\pm$  3%

90% residents satisfied with local area as place to live

96% agree people from different backgrounds get on



#### Residents Survey cont/d

68% satisfied with way Bracknell Forest Council runs things

62% agree Bracknell Forest Council provides value for money

Highest satisfaction levels for:

 Parks, open space, countryside, waste and recycling, leisure, sports and arts facilities

But.....

Concerns that many still feel unable to influence decisions



Citizen & Customer Contact

- · "Plan" phase agreed
  - Integration of all access channels
  - Move to digital where possible
  - Identify those in most need
  - Promote self-reliance
- · Key enabler for digitisation



#### Commercial Property Investment Strategy

Strategy on track to delivery £3M income by 2019/20

Looking to release £20M from 2018/19 capital programme current year to accelerate programme

• Recommended to Council



#### Adult Services, Health & Housing (1)

Plans for community based intermediate care service agreed

 Bridgewell Centre to focus on intermediate care teams providing range of home centred medical and social care support



#### Adult Services, Health & Housing (2)

Learning Disability Accommodation

- Seek offers from RSLs to develop purpose built accommodation for 10 residents with learning disabilities at The Lodge, Sandy Lane
- More convenient local provision for clients, carers, families etc.
- · Revenue savings of around £150k p.a.



## Adult Services, Health & Housing (3) Community Based Support Services

- Domiciliary care contract with five providers (was eighteen)
- Greater capacity and resilience
- Providers required to work with voluntary sector
- · Incentive to reduce requirements for support

#### Adult Services, Health & Housing (4)

**Public Health Nursing Services** 

- 2 Year contract agreed for 0 19 Public Health nursing service covering:
  - Health Visiting
  - School Nursing
- Young Single Homeless People Accommodation
  - Contract agreed 35 self-contained units in Holly House
  - 15 year lease: annual savings £70k p.a.



#### Adult Services, Health & Housing (5)

Residential Block Contracts

- Special meeting agreed block contracts to provide up to twenty residential care places agreed
- Important way of maintaining affordability as demand currently exceeds supply

#### Community Safety

Community Safety Partnership Plan 2017-18 agreed

#### Five priorities

- Protection of vulnerable people
- · Violence and serious organised crime
- Reduce re-offending
- Prevention and early intervention
- Bracknell town centre

Overview & Scrutiny held positive meeting as Crime & Disorder Committee on 6 July



#### Planning & Transport (1)

Joint Central & Eastern Berkshire Minerals & Waste Local Plan

- Joint plan being developed for Bracknell Forest, Reading, Windsor & Maidenhead and Wokingham
- Issues and options public consultation agreed

### Planning & Transport (2)

SANGS capacity allocation

- Agreement NOT to provide SANGS for large Prior Approval schemes beyond defined settlements
- Protects implementation of agreed Site Allocations Local Plan & Comprehensive Local Plan

#### Forward Look

**Bracknell Town Centre** 

- M & S soft opening 27 July
- Main opening 7 September

Coral Reef - September

Enjoy summer



