

**Bracknell Forest Council
Record of Decision**

Work Programme Reference	1087402
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1. **TITLE:** Council Plan 2019-23
2. **SERVICE AREA:** Organisational Development, Transformation & HR
3. **PURPOSE OF DECISION**

To approve the new Council Plan.

4. **IS KEY DECISION** Yes
5. **DECISION MADE BY:** Executive

6. **DECISION:**

The Executive **RECOMMENDS** to Council that they approve the Council Plan 2019-2023.

7. **REASON FOR DECISION**

1. Since becoming a Unitary Authority in 1998 the Council has made savings in its annual revenue spending in excess of £80m. Of this over £18m has been removed from budgets in the last few years. By all comparative measures, the Council provides value for money. However, pressure on public sector spending remains and further significant savings will be needed over the next five years.
2. The Council Plan is rooted firmly in the Conservative election manifesto of 2019. It puts these election commitments made then into the current financial context to provide the organisation with a strategic direction and framework to meet the challenges ahead. In order to meet this challenge, the council needs to find a framework for delivering services that allows us to adapt, innovate, find new ways of working and, in some cases, reduce what we do.

8. **ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED**

None – the Council needs a comprehensive Council Plan to provide a coherent framework to guide and prioritise its many activities over the life of this Council.

9. **PRINCIPAL GROUPS CONSULTED:** Corporate Management Team.
10. **DOCUMENT CONSIDERED:** Report of the Chief Executive
11. **DECLARED CONFLICTS OF INTEREST:** None

Date Decision Made	Final Day of Call-in Period
22 October 2019	29 October 2019

