

PURPOSE

Making the most of every
£ to deliver improved
outcomes for residents

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VISION

ONE place
ONE budget
ONE team for Surrey

VALUES



Listen



Responsibility



Trust



Respect

Context

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The new majority Conservative government, elected for the five years up to 2020, has indicated it plans to continue the programme of deficit reduction for the lifetime of this Parliament.

There is an increasing expectation for public bodies to work together in partnerships to improve the service to the public and provide better value for the taxpayer and residents. At the same time there is an emerging agenda of devolution of greater powers and responsibilities to local authority areas and the demand for council services, in particular in relation to services for vulnerable adults and children, continues to grow.

To respond to this change Surrey County Council will increase its collaboration with other public service providers to deliver services and support residents in the county of Surrey as a place, rather than from the council as an organisation.

In responding to this change, the council has already moved to a more network based, wider leadership model.

Our strategic approach

1. Principles

We will achieve transformational change through continual improvement & partnerships:

- Work with partners and the wider system to improve outcomes
- Continue to control costs
- Continue to seek opportunities to generate income and reduce the reliance on council tax and government grant
- Manage demand for services

2. Method

Our financial planning will support corporate strategic goals:

- Develop outcome based budgeting that supports service strategies
- Continue to plan for the long term to ensure services are fit for the future

3. Actions

We will support the council to:

- Publish a draft Medium Term Financial Plan in November 2015
- Publish a five-year Medium Term Financial Plan
- Have a council tax that meets demand pressures

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