



Council Overview Board
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Cabinet Member for Business Services and Resident Experience 2016 Priorities

Purpose of the report: To report on Denise Le Gal's priorities for the year 2016/2017 which focus on her portfolio: Business Services and Resident Experience, and how these have progressed so far.

Priorities

- The Orbis Partnership
- The Pay and Reward Offer
- Supporting Local Businesses
- Investment Strategy

Progression of Priorities

- The Orbis Partnership – The Inter Authority Agreement that forms the legal basis to the Partnership has been agreed by both East Sussex County Council and Surrey County Council following resolution by the respective Cabinets. Brighton and Hove City Council (BHCC) have also taken a paper to their policy resources and growth committee on the 13 October that recommended that BHCC join the Orbis Partnership. This will now commence the next phase of work to establish benefits and opportunities for Orbis incorporating Brighton.
- The Pay and Reward Offer – Surrey County Council have reached a collective agreement with trade unions on the pay and reward proposals and the pay settlement for schools. This was implemented in July's salaries.
- Supporting Local Businesses - along with the Chief Executive, I was delighted to open the inaugural 'We Are Surrey' event, hosted by Canon on 28th September. This event brought together public, voluntary and third sector organisations with local businesses, big & small, to further discuss and explore opportunities for providing much needed support for local communities through the social value agenda being driven by the Council. This links in to our procurement strategy where we have now signed a contract that specifically links in to measurable added social value.
- Investment Strategy - Continue to build upon our investment strategy by purchasing assets using capital to generate future revenue income that can be used for delivering services to the residents of Surrey.

Challenges

- Brighton & Hove City Council joining the Orbis Partnership - ensuring a smooth transition and clean data transfer.
- Comprehensive review and implementation of Leadership Structures in Procurement, IT & Property.
- Transitioning of the Council to Office 365.
- Budget pressures for the Council.

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