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CABINET MEMBER UPDATE: FINANCE AND RESOURCES (Becky Rush)

Introduction:

1. I am pleased to update the Resources and Performance Select Committee on the progress of work in my portfolio area as Cabinet Member for Finance and Resources and outline what I hope to achieve in these areas in the next year.

Proposed achievements for 2021/22

Finance & Budget

2. I have a responsibility to enable everyone to meet budget targets therefore my priorities will specifically be focussing on the delivery of:
 - a) In year 2021/22 budget
 - b) Capital budget and pipeline conversion
 - c) Next year 2022/23 budget setting
 - d) Twin track MTFs budget approach.

Operations

3. As part portfolio is responsibility for operations, my priorities for back-office processes are:
 - a) The successful implementation of Unit 4
 - b) The evolution of Orbis
 - c) Procurement modernisation (setting the standard for Surrey)
 - d) Tandridge District Council finance

Governance

4. As the lead member for governance, I will be leading on the review of the governance structures and processes to achieve:
 - a) The embedding of risk management throughout the council
 - b) An effective Internal Audit function
 - c) The implementation of governance model for SCC including JV/subsidiary entities
 - d) Striving for best practice of exemplar local government governance

Digital

5. I am keen to encourage Surrey County Council to truly thinking digitally and pushing for digital-led solutions. To this end, I have focussed my priorities for the next year for:
 - a) The digital team to be embedded from the beginning in the twin track budget approach
 - b) Digital solutions to be identified
 - c) Leveraging identified digital solutions, such as chatbots, into other council activities

Workforce

6. As the Cabinet Member lead on workforce, my priorities are a centred around:
 - a) Work force of the future strategy
 - b) Pay and reward strategy (Employee Value Proposition)
 - c) Implementation of recruitment JV
 - d) Join up Digital and HR

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| Conclusions: |
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7. The above demonstrates an ambitious and far-reaching programme of work that I am keen to lead for 2021/22 across my portfolio.
8. I am enthusiastic to work with the Resources and Performance Select Committee to shape this work.

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| Recommendations: |
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9. It is recommended that the Resources and Performance Select Committee:
 - a) a) Review the Cabinet Member priorities and offer feedback and thoughts as appropriate.
 - b) Express whether it is satisfied with the Cabinet Member plans and ambitions for 2021/22.

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