

LEIGHTON-LINSLADE TOWN COUNCIL FIVE YEAR PLAN & OBJECTIVES 2019 – 2024

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OPERATIONAL EFFICIENCY		LIB DEM COMMENT	KEEP IN + PRIORITY OR DELETE
<p>To ensure value for money, and operational efficiency and a structure which will underpin current and future service delivery by the Town Council. This work will be primarily within the remit of the Policy and Finance Committee.</p>			
1	<p>To regularly review how we communicate and seek to embrace new technologies. <i>Digital meetings held in 2020/21 plus live webcasting of the Remembrance Day service and the Annual Parish Meeting on social media.</i></p>	<p>No SMART objectives quoted. But worth surveying councillors' views on how well meetings and "papers" work.</p>	<p>Keep in. Low.</p>
2	<p>To continue to aim towards a paperless office. <i>The Covid-19 pandemic accelerated this objective with a significant move towards more online working.</i></p>	<p>No SMART objectives quoted. Part of officers' background responsibilities. ("OBR")</p>	<p>Delete</p>
3	<p>To review our financial systems and develop more financial analysis/reporting. <i>This work is scheduled for 2022-23.</i></p>	<p>No SMART objectives quoted. OBR. Councillors satisfied that financial reporting is already of adequate standard.</p>	<p>Delete</p>
4	<p>To develop a customer service strategy. <i>This work was commenced in 2019/early 2020 but was delayed due to the pandemic. It is intended to progress this during 2021-22.</i></p>	<p>OBR.</p>	<p>Delete</p>
5	<p>To review waste and recycling operations <i>A new waste contract in 2019 has resulted in a significant increase in recycled waste, particularly from the town's multi award-winning parks and open spaces.</i></p>	<p>OBR. We have managed two years without officers needing to report on this.</p>	<p>Delete</p>
6	<p>To revisit the Volunteer Strategy. <i>Following consultation with volunteer groups, a new policy was adopted by Council in 2020. COMPLETED.</i></p>		<p>Delete as completed</p>
7	<p>To increase environmental awareness and incorporate the Town Council's environmental ambitions across all facilities and service areas. <i>This work is ongoing and will be reported to Council on a six monthly basis. Reports will be available to view on our website.</i></p>	<p>Too vague. How can the italicised comments be done? SMART objectives should be identified to replace this. More important since Council adoption of environmental motion on 27.9.21.</p>	<p>Keep in but Replace. High?</p>

8	To work with the local authority to review and where appropriate, upgrade existing CCTV provision. <i>The CCTV cameras in Town Council owned parks will be upgraded to digital in 2021, allowing better quality data capture, particularly at night.</i>	Duplicate of Partnership Project List project.	Delete
9	To consider imaginative uses of Community Safety budgets for the benefit of our community. <i>Funds have been invested in supporting young people and reducing antisocial behaviour, supporting traffic management in the vicinity of schools.</i>	Do officers comb more widely for inspiration on what is working effectively elsewhere? Such as in NALC Points of Light?	Keep in. Medium.
10	To renew the Council's Quality Gold accreditation in 2021. <i>Re-accreditation confirmed in May 2021. COMPLETED</i>	OBR	Delete as completed.

Additional Objectives needed relating to councillors' current objectives and concerns: examples:

Policing-related

Winter contingency plan eg gritting bins

Digital, health & wellbeing centre

Decentralised Town Council public engagement points