

Record of Decision

Mayor's Response to Objection to the Current Corporate Plan - Libraries

Decision Taker

Mayor on 19 February 2016

Decision

- (i) That the Council's objections in relation to the Corporate Plan be accepted; and
- (ii) That the Council be recommended to revise the current Corporate Plan under 'Use reducing resources to best affect' as set out below (changes shown in bold red text):

Use reducing resources to best effect

Thinking for the future

We will continue to ensure we are working to maximise efficiencies, ensuring every pound and every hour of work is well spent but the scale of the budget gap means this alone will not be enough. Therefore we will need to think and act differently:

- We may stop providing some services.
- Some services will need to be provided differently with greater community support and/or with integrated working with our partners. **Including reviewing the delivery of libraries whilst maintaining libraries in Torquay, Paignton, Churston and Brixham.**

Reason for the Decision

To respond to the Council's objections to the current Corporate Plan. The Mayor accepts the Council's objections and presents a revision to the Corporate Plan accordingly.

Implementation

The Mayor's response to the Council's objection will be considered at the Council meeting on 25 February 2016.

Information

At the adjourned Council meeting on 11 February 2016, the Council formally objected to the current Corporate Plan on the basis that the following should be included:

The Council will maintain libraries in Torquay, Paignton, Churston and Brixham.

In accordance with paragraph F4.9 Standing Orders – Budget and Policy Framework, the Council required the Mayor to consider this objection by 10 am on 19 February 2016 and either:

- a) submit a revision of the Corporate Plan with the reasons for any amendments to the Council for its consideration; or

- b) inform the Council of any disagreement that the Executive has with any of the Council's objections and the Executive's reasons for any such disagreement.

The Mayor has considered the recommendation of the Council and his proposed response is set out in this Record of Decision.

Alternative Options considered and rejected at the time of the decision

None

Is this a Key Decision?

Yes – Reference Number: I021319

Does the call-in procedure apply?

No

Declarations of interest (including details of any relevant dispensations issued by the Standards Committee)

None

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Signed: _____
Mayor of Torbay

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