

Meeting of the City Council

6 April 2016

Report title	Executive Business	
Referring body	Cabinet - 24 February and 23 March 2016	
Councillor to present report	Cllr Val Gibson Children and Young People Cllr Peter Bilson City Assets Cllr John Reynolds City Economy	
Wards affected	All	
Cabinet members with lead responsibility	Cllr Val Gibson Children and Young People Cllr Peter Bilson City Assets Cllr John Reynolds City Economy	
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Report to be/has been considered by	Cabinet	24 February 2016 23 March 2016

Recommendation(s) for action or decision:

The Council is recommended to:

Receive the summary of executive business and for Cabinet Members to answer any questions thereon.

**Executive business including
Policy development/operational issues**

Cllr Val Gibson, Children and Young People

- **Full Joint Inspection of Youth Offending Team**
 - Cabinet received the report from a Full Joint Inspection (FJI) of the Wolverhampton Youth Offending Team (YOT) which took place in November 2015.
 - The Inspectors gave the Service top marks in four of the six inspection areas, and the second best rating in the other two, making it one of the best performing Youth Offending Teams in the country.
 - The ratings in the FJI report were four stars in the areas of reducing reoffending, protecting the public, ensuring the sentence is served and interventions to reduce reoffending, and three stars for protecting children and young people and for governance and partnership.

Cllr Peter Bilson, City Assets

- **City of Wolverhampton Open Space Strategy and Action Plan Update**
 - Cabinet approved an updated version of the City of Wolverhampton Open Space Strategy and Action Plan. The strategy and action plan would direct investment and planning decisions on open space across the city in future years, help the Council to secure external funding (including developer contributions) and release surplus assets to maximise local community and regeneration benefits.
- **Black Country Core Strategy Review**
 - Cabinet approved the Council commencing work on the Black Country Core Strategy review in early 2016 in partnership with Dudley, Sandwell and Walsall Councils and to incorporate the review timetable into the Council's Local Development Scheme.
 - The Black Country Core Strategy is Wolverhampton's key strategic Local Plan document and forms a significant part of the Council's policy framework. The new Core Strategy will cover the period up to 2036 and, at this stage, it is anticipated that it will continue the existing "brownfield first" approach, focusing development in a sustainable network of Regeneration Corridors and Strategic Centres. The review will also consider the implications of emerging Combined Authority priorities and findings of the Greater Birmingham and Black Country Housing Study work.

Cllr John Reynolds, City Economy

- **City of Wolverhampton Procurement Charter**
 - In November 2015 the Wolverhampton City Board agreed a cross-partnership commissioning and procurement charter and accompanying commissioning and procurement cycle. The aim of the charter was to detail the key outcomes that a city approach to commissioning and procurement will create in terms of added social value.
 - Cabinet has agreed a process for ensuring that the charter is embedded within the Council's own commissioning and procurement processes.