

**REDDITCH BOROUGH COUNCIL**

**RECORD OF DECISION TAKEN UNDER URGENCY PROCEDURES**

**SUBJECT: Redditch Borough Council – Productivity Plan**

**BRIEF STATEMENT OF SUBJECT MATTER:**

Chief Executive Officers for local authorities were contacted back in April 2024 by the then Minister for Local Government, Simon Hoare MP. Councils were informed that the Government was in the process of reviewing the productivity of the public sector and as part of this process local authorities were asked to submit productivity plans to the Government which detailed the Council's approach to achieving productivity as well as the barriers in place.

The Productivity Plan for Redditch Borough Council was considered by the Executive Committee at a meeting held on 9<sup>th</sup> July 2024, following pre-scrutiny at a meeting of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee held on 8<sup>th</sup> July 2024. The Executive Committee recommended that the Productivity Plan for the Council should be approved, published to the Council's website and submitted to the Department of Levelling Up, Housing and Communities (DLUHC) by the Government's deadline of 19<sup>th</sup> July 2024. As there is not due to be a Council meeting prior to this deadline, Members are invited to approve this recommendation through the urgent decision process.

An extract from the minutes of the Executive Committee meeting held on 9<sup>th</sup> July when this report was considered together with a copy of the report have been circulated alongside this urgent decision form for information.

**DECISION:**

**RESOLVED that**

The Productivity Plan, as set out in Appendix A, to be approved, the plan to be published on the Council's website and forwarded to the Department of Levelling Up, Housing and Communities before the 19<sup>th</sup> July 2024

**(Council / Executive decision)**

**GROUNDINGS FOR URGENCY:**

The Government requires Councils to submit their Productivity Plans by Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July 2024. There are not due to be any Council meetings prior to this date and an urgent decision is therefore required to enable a final decision to be taken on this plan by Members prior to the deadline.

**DECISION APPROVED BY:**

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE**

**DEPUTY SECTION 151 OFFICER ON BEHALF OF THE  
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR FINANCE & RESOURCES  
(if financial implications)**

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**(Signature) (Guy Revans)  
(Executive Director in CEO and DCEO's absence)**

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**(Signature) (Debra Goodall)**

Date: July 2024

**PROPOSED ACTION SUPPORTED** *(amend as appropriate)*

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<b>MAYOR *</b>	<b>PF HOLDER</b>	<b>LEADER</b>	<b>LDR of the CONSERVATIVE Group</b>	<b>CHAIR O&amp;S Committee</b>
Date:	Date:	Date:	Date:	Date:

Notes:

\* In addition to the Executive decision above regarding the matter under consideration, the Mayor is signing to agree both that the Executive decision proposed is reasonable in all the circumstances and to it being treated as a matter of urgency. This is to ensure that the call-in procedures as set out in Part 8 of the Constitution shall not apply where an Executive decision being taken is urgent.