



Vibrant City Strategy

SUMMARY

- 1.1 The Regeneration and Culture Board considered, at their 21 October 2014 meeting, reports from the Cabinet Member for Regeneration and the Chief Executive, on the Vibrant City Strategy. The Cabinet report identifies six potential district centres for inclusion in the improvement programme.

RECOMMENDATION

- 2.1 To establish clear criteria of prioritisation for redevelopment of district centres and that this process is made more transparent.

REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION

- 3.1 Derby has a number of district centres, each with its own unique characteristics. They all play an important role in meeting the social and economic needs of their local community. They also have their own sets of issues which require resolving. It is therefore important to establish criteria for selection of each district centre for regeneration. This will enable the Council to spend its scarce resources based on need in a fair and transparent manner and achieve best value for money. It will enable us to consider what 'good' looks like.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

- 4.1 The Board welcomed the extension of the city centre strategy to include district centres in the regeneration improvement programme. District centres are recognised as making an important economic and social contribution to the wellbeing of the city and therefore also require regeneration. Having considered the report, the Board was unclear about the methodology used to select the district centres for the regeneration programme and sought greater clarification on this.

OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED

- 5.1 None

This report has been approved by the following officers:

Legal officer Financial officer Human Resources officer Estates/Property officer Service Director(s) Other(s)	
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IMPLICATIONS

Financial and Value for Money

- 1.1 A sum of £1.2m has been identified for carrying out improvements to selected district centres. This report recommends establishing criteria for selecting district centres and a priority list for improvements which will help to provide better value for money.

Legal

- 2.1 Overview and scrutiny boards have the responsibility to review and scrutinise decisions or actions on any function within their respective remit and to make representations or recommendations to Council or Council Cabinet.

Personnel

- 3.1 None arising from this report.

IT

- 4.1 None arising from this report.

Equalities Impact

- 5.1 District centres in more deprived areas of city are anticipated to have lower car ownership and thus provide a more vital role than others.

Health and Safety

- 6.1 None arising from this report.

Environmental Sustainability

- 7.1 No additional implications arising from this report.

Property and Asset Management

- 8.1 No additional implications arising from this report.

Risk Management

- 9.1 None arising from this report

Corporate objectives and priorities for change

- 10.1 This programme contributes towards Derby Plan's big ambition:
- Inspiring place to live by improving deprived areas
 - Inspiring working life by improving skills and creating jobs

