



SCRUTINY COMMISSION – 18TH JUNE, 2003

REPORT OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE

LEICESTERSHIRE COMMUNITY STRATEGY

Purpose

1. The purpose of this report is to seek the views of the Commission on the Leicestershire Community Strategy.

Background

2. The Leicestershire Local Strategic Partnership (LLSP) agreed the draft Leicestershire Community Strategy for a second round of consultation on the 24th February 2003. This round concentrated on the proposed actions put forward in response to the public priorities established through the first round of consultation held on October and November 2002.
3. 30 responses have been received from a wide range of organisations including parish and district councils, the Environment Agency, Sport England, Primary Care Trusts and the Countryside Agency. A summary of all the comments received with a suggested response is set out in Appendix A.
4. The consultation draft included a brief description of the PSA targets under negotiation at the time. Now that these have been agreed with Government they are included in full.
5. The revised Community Strategy is attached as Appendix B. Proposed revisions are highlighted in bold and underlined.

Further consideration by the LLSP

6. The LLSP met on 3rd June 2003 to consider the proposed changes to the Leicestershire Community Strategy. The LLSP endorsed the Strategy subject to a number of minor amendments being made to the Strategy. These amendments are set out in Appendix C.

Next Stages

7. The LLSP has now agreed to ask the partners to adopt the Leicestershire Community Strategy. The Cabinet will receive the final Strategy on 24th June and will be asked to consider whether it wishes to recommend the County Council to adopt the Strategy.

Equal Opportunities Implications

8. The LLSP through the Community Strategy seeks to improve the quality of life for Leicestershire people and to improve the quality, co-ordination and access to public services in the County.

Recommendations

9. The Commission is asked to consider the Leicestershire Community Strategy and indicate what views, if any, it wishes to forward to the Cabinet.

Background Papers

10. Attached appendices considered/arising from the LLSP meeting on 3rd June.

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