

<b>OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE</b>
<b>5 OCTOBER 2016</b>
<b>DISCUSSION WITH PORTFOLIO HOLDER FOR JOBS, GROWTH AND TRANSPORT</b>
<b>REPORT OF THE CORPORATE DIRECTOR FOR RESILIENCE</b>

## **1 Purpose**

- 1.1 An opportunity to hear from the Portfolio Holder for Jobs, Growth and Transport on his key priorities, objectives in 2016/17 and current challenges.

## **2 Action required**

- 2.1 The Committee is asked to use the information received at the meeting from Councillor Nick McDonald, Portfolio Holder for Jobs, Growth and Transport, to inform questioning.

## **3 Background information**

- 3.1 On 9 November 2015, the Council Plan was formally approved by Full Council and this will guide the Council's services and approach to support the delivery of its key priorities for the city over the next four years to 2019.
- 3.2 Each Portfolio Holder has been consulted on the deliverables in their area and the Portfolio Holder for Jobs, Growth and Transport will attend the Committee to outline his overall vision for his executive portfolio.
- 3.3 In the Council Plan 2015-19, Councillor Nick McDonald identified the following:

### Aims over the next 4 years

- See every person in Nottingham with the skills and ambition to find work and create jobs to give our working age citizens the incentives to seek work and be involved in training and self-improvement by themselves;
- Attract international businesses whilst supporting and enhancing our reputation as a leading Science City;
- Further develop Nottingham's public transport network, ensuring that citizens and visitors can get around the city as well as it being a reason for business to set up and trade effectively in our city.

### Key things that we will do

- Guarantee a job, training or further education place for every 18-24 year old;
- Deliver a state of the art new college at the heart of the city centre and develop a skills campus in the north of the city;
- Use our influence to deliver a coordinated further education offer within the city that is judged good or outstanding by Ofsted;
- Establish a local investment bank by 2017 to invest in the local economy;
- Deliver the business support schemes that underpin the City's Growth and City Deal;
- Deliver a simple, integrated 'Oyster' style ticket for our public transport network;
- Get 10% more people walking, cycling or taking public transport to work.

#### 3.4 Since 2011, the portfolio has achieved the following:

- Employment rate is up 63% at the end of 2014 and Job Seekers Allowance claimants are down to the pre-recession levels;
- NET Line 2 and 3 to Clifton and Beeston have been developed, improving access across the City and local areas;
- Local Growth Deal attracting £50m in funding for regeneration and infrastructure projects have been secured;
- Funding for the City's Creative Quarter secured through Nottingham's City Deal worth £60m during 2012;
- Popular events programme held in the Creative Quarter, including LightNitght, Hockley Hustle and Nottinghamshire Pride, which continues to attract new visitors into the area.

## **4 List of attached information**

### 4.1 Jobs, Growth and Transport – Council Plan 2015-2019

## **5 Background papers, other than published works or those disclosing exempt or confidential information**

### 5.1 None.

## **6 Published documents referred to in compiling this report**

### 6.1 None.

## **7 Wards affected**

### 7.1 All.

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