

<b>OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE</b>
<b>10 JANUARY 2018</b>
<b>DISCUSSION WITH THE PORTFOLIO HOLDER FOR PLANNING, HOUSING AND HERITAGE</b>
<b>REPORT OF HEAD OF LEGAL AND GOVERNANCE</b>

**1 Purpose**

- 1.1 To hear from the Portfolio Holder for Planning, Housing and Heritage on her red and amber Council Plan priorities, and budget challenges.

**2 Action required**

- 2.1 To use the information received at the meeting from Councillor Jane Urquhart, Portfolio Holder for Planning, Housing and Heritage, to inform questioning and identify potential areas for future scrutiny.

**3 Background information**

- 3.1 On 9 November 2015 the Council Plan was formally approved by full Council, and guides the Council's services and approach to support the delivery of its key priorities for the city until 2019.
- 3.2 The Council Plan 2015-19 identifies the following for Councillor Jane Urquhart:
- aims over the 4 years covered by the Plan:
    - enable Nottingham residents to have access to a high standard of accommodation, whether renting or buying;
    - respond to the increasing pressure on the housing market by building a substantial number of high quality, new affordable homes;
    - plan, encourage and develop the Waterside between Trent Bridge and Colwick Park for housing use;
  - the key things that will be done are:
    - build 2,500 new houses that Nottingham people can afford to rent or buy;
    - create a comprehensive city-wide licensing scheme for all private rented accommodation to drive up standards and protect tenants across the city;
    - work with Housing Associations to improve the quality of their housing and repairs service and, if necessary, take on the management of rented properties needing improvement to their maintenance standards.

**4 List of attached information**

- 4.1 None.

**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 Council Plan 2015-19.

**7 Wards affected**

7.1 All.

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