Cabinet



Date of meeting: 09 March 2023

Title of Report: Plymouth's Future: Our Opportunity, Our Delivery

Plan - Quarter Three Progress Update 2022 - 23

Lead Member: Councillor Richard Bingley (Leader)

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Your Reference:

Key Decision: No

Confidentiality: Part I - Official

Purpose of Report

This report provides a progress update against the delivery plan agreed by Cabinet in July 2022 for the third quarter of 2022-23. There are a number of progress updates within the report which include -

- Plymouth and South Devon Freeport is the first of eight Freeports to be given the full green light along with two others. The Memorandum of Understanding was signed in December 2022 and the approval unlocks millions of pounds of grant seed funding and enables applicable businesses to join and take advantage of the Freeport status.
- the Memorandum of Understanding in relation to UK Shared Prosperity Fund has also been signed, details of the Council's investment plan are available here.
- Plymouth's role as a cultural and arts hotspot has been endorsed with renewed Arts Council England investment of more than £12m into the city's cultural organisations. Arts Council England (ACE) announced their three year funding deal for National Portfolio Organisations (NPOs) around the country. There are eight in Plymouth, which will get £4,113,239 a year over the next three years, a total of £12,339,717.
- The Christmas lights switch on in the Barbican and City Centre saw record crowds and help
 position the City as a destination for shopping, both in terms on independent shops on the
 Barbican and in the West end and Chains in the main City Centre.

Recommendations and Reasons

Cabinet is recommended to note the report.

Alternative options considered and rejected

There are no alternative options, this is a key reporting document that provides transparency on the progress of the delivery plan, and as such reporting this performance is considered best practice.

Relevance to the Corporate Plan and/or the Plymouth Plan

This report is fundamentally linked to delivering the administrations priorities.

Implications for the Medium Term Financial Plan and Resource Implications:

The Medium Term Financial Strategy is a core component of the Council's strategic framework and has a vital role to play in translating the Administration's ambitions and priorities.

Financial Risks

None as a result of this report.

Carbon Footprint (Environmental) Implications:

None as a result of this report.

Other Implications: e.g. Health and Safety, Risk Management, Child Poverty:

* When considering these proposals members have a responsibility to ensure they give due regard to the Council's duty to promote equality of opportunity, eliminate unlawful discrimination and promote good relations between people who share protected characteristics under the Equalities Act and those who do not.

None as a result of this report.

Appendices

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Background papers:

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Please confirm the Strategic Director(s) has agreed the report? Yes

Date agreed: 21/02/2023

Cabinet Member approval: Cllr Richard Bingley approved via email

Date approved: 28/02/2023