

## PLYMOUTH CITY COUNCIL

<b>Subject:</b>	Plan for Preventing Homelessness
<b>Committee:</b>	Cabinet
<b>Date:</b>	13 <sup>th</sup> March 2018
<b>Cabinet Member:</b>	Councillor Ricketts, Cabinet Member for Transport & Housing Delivery.
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<b>Ref:</b>	
<b>Key Decision:</b>	No
<b>Part:</b>	I

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### **Purpose of the report:**

This report seeks the support of cabinet to agree setting of a new Plan for Preventing Homelessness.

The purpose of the Plan for Preventing Homelessness is to implement and deliver against the Plymouth Plan. The Plymouth Plan sets the strategic direction for Plymouth between now and 2035 and reaffirms our commitment to tackle homelessness in the city. This plan sets out to build on previous actions initiated in our last Homelessness Strategies and fulfils Plymouth City Council's statutory duty under the Homelessness Act 2002, and detailed in the Code of Guidance to develop a strategic response to identified local causes of homelessness.

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### **The Corporate Plan 2016 - 19:**

Caring Plymouth – We will work with our residents to have happy healthy and connected communities where people lead safe and fulfilled lives. – In terms of themes the plan looks to focus on early intervention and prevention, keeping people protected and reducing inequalities

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### **Implications for Medium Term Financial Plan and Resource Implications: Including finance, human, IT and land:**

This plan will support minimising spend against the approved Bed & Breakfast budget and support the Council in meeting its agreed overall budget.

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

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### **Equality and Diversity**

Has an Equality Impact Assessment been undertaken? Yes

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**Recommendations and Reasons for recommended action:**

It is recommended that Cabinet agree this plan

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**Alternative options considered and rejected:**

- Do nothing – this was rejected as the negative impact of homelessness on households in Plymouth is detrimental
  - Carry on as now – this was rejected. Homelessness is a current City issue and it is felt that a new plan will reinvigorate partners work in the City
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**Published work / information:**

None

**Background papers:**

Title	Part I	Part II	Exemption Paragraph Number						
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**Sign off:**

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Originating SMT Member; Matt Garrett													
Has the Cabinet Member(s) agreed the contents of the report? Yes													