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To: The Mayor and Each Member of Limerick City and County Council

Draft Corporate Plan 2019 – 2024

A Chomhairleoir, a chara,

I attach herewith the Draft Corporate Plan 2019 – 2024.

The attached Draft Corporate Plan incorporates the Mission, Vision and Values of the Council. The Draft Plan also sets out the strategic framework within which Limerick City and County Council will operate within the next five years.

Consultation took place with key strategic stakeholders. Public Consultation on the Draft Corporate Plan also took place through “My Point”, the Councils new consultation portal. Submissions were received from:

- HSE Health, Promotion and Improvement
- Ailish Drake
- Thomas Bibby
- HSE Department of Public Health, Mid-West.
- Local Community Development Committee members (two submissions received)

Please see appendix 1 for a summary of submissions received.

The preparation of a Corporate Plan is a requirement under Section 134 of the Local Government Act, 2001, as amended by the Local Government Reform Act, 2014. In accordance with Section 134 of the Local Government Act, 2001, as amended by the Local Government Act, 2014, I now recommend that members consider the Draft Corporate Plan as presented.

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James Clune,
A/Senior Executive Officer,
Corporate Services, Governance & Customer Services

Appendix 1

DRAFT CORPORATE PLAN 2019-2024

Summary of responses to submissions

Submitter	Summary of submission	Proposed Response
Geraldine Quinn – HSE Health Promotion and Improvement	Greater emphasis required on Health and Wellbeing of the population and references HSE initiatives in this regard including the importance of green spaces and places, active travel facilities and inclusive sport and recreation activities.	<p>The submission is reflected in Goal 4 <i>Transition to an environmentally sustainable carbon neutral economy</i> and Goal 3 <i>Invest in Limericks infrastructure , protect its natural and built environment and unique heritage</i></p> <p>Elements of this submission will also be considered under The Limerick-Shannon Metropolitan Area Transport Strategy and the Green Infrastructure Strategy</p> <p>The importance of providing drinking water in public spaces is being explored in the context of specific public realm projects and the Council supports and promotes the Refill Ireland Scheme.</p> <p>Infrastructure for Electric Vehicles will be examined in the context of the target set under the Climate Action Plan 2019 and emerging national policy.</p>
Ailish Drake	Suggest goals relevant to protecting the built heritage and built environment of Limerick City, particularly around the medieval and Georgian areas of the city by developing a public realm and movement strategy.	<p>These observations will be dealt with in the context of the development of the City and County Development Plan.</p> <p>Goal 3 provides for the delivery of a smart integrated transport network that improves connectivity and increases use of sustainable transport modes. This will be further addressed in the Limerick-Shannon Metropolitan Area Transport Strategy.</p>
Thomas Bibby	Queries if inclusion of road projects contradicts the goal regarding transition to an environmentally sustainable low carbon resource efficient economy. Welcomes positive emphasis on climate change and biodiversity. Query as to why the public consultation did not have references to Hr activities ,organisation structure etc .	<p>The roads projects listed in the goal should be retained on the basis that they are strategic regional and national projects which will benefit the interconnectivity of Limerick with Cork and Foynes. They will also assist in addressing the current traffic issues in the UL/NTP/Castletroy area and the broader city area (LNDR) and enhance the traffic flow and public realm in Limerick city and environs (O'Connell St and LNDR). They will have the further effect of removing emissions form towns and villages thereby promoting health and wellbeing.</p> <p>The assertion that the projects in the goal will contribute to an increase in emissions does not take into account Government policy on sustainable transport, including the aim to increase the number of electric vehicles to close to 1,000,000 by 2030 contained in the Climate Action Plan 2019.</p> <p>The compact development of Limerick City and the towns and villages in the county will be addressed under the Development Plan.</p> <p>The draft sought opinion and comment on the mission ,vision ,strategic goals and objectives.</p>
HSE Department of Public Health Mid-West	Welcomes positive emphasis on award winning Healthy Limerick initiative and the importance of Local Governments leadership role in the economic, social and community development being essential to the health of the population. Emphasis on a stronger partnership with the HSE can assist. Suggests a need to find a way to channel the voices and opinions of disadvantage groups through the PPN. Suggested the Local Authority should create an environment where making the choice to use public transport or active travel is the easiest option.	<p>Goal 3 provides for the delivery of a smart integrated transport network that improves connectivity and increases use of sustainable transport modes. This will be further addressed in the Limerick-Shannon Metropolitan Area Transport Strategy .</p> <p>Goal 8 seeks to transition Limerick to a low carbon circular economy in accordance with the aims of the National Adaptation Framework and the National Climate Action Plan 2019.</p> <p>In addition, the Climate Adaptation Strategy and the Green Infrastructure Strategy to be developed under Goal 8 will consider the elements of this observation relating to heat abatement.</p> <p>Goal 3 provides for the delivery of a smart integrated transport network that improves connectivity and increases the use of sustainable transport modes. This will be further addressed in the Limerick-Shannon Metropolitan Area Transport Strategy.</p>
Submitter (LCDC) Trish Forde Brennan	Queries the wording of the mission statement and seeks clarification on how the Sustainable Development Goals are embedded in the corporate plan	<p>Wording of the Mission statement has been amended.</p> <p>Alignment of Corporate Plan goals and objectives with the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals are referenced in Goal 1.</p>
Submitter (LCDC) Anne Kavanagh	Looks for a commitment that the council works collaboratively with stakeholders to address the entrenched employment. Seeks reference to citizen participation in the full range of council activity. Requires reference to Limerick as a Unesco Learning City.	<p>Goal 2 references working collaboratively to deal with areas experiencing persistently high levels of unemployment.</p> <p>The vision has been amended to reflect the participation of all citizens in the development of their community and council activities.</p> <p>Goal 5 has been amended to reflect building on the Learning Limerick Strategy.</p>