

**NORTH NORTHAMPTONSHIRE SHADOW AUTHORITY****SHADOW EXECUTIVE MEETING****23<sup>rd</sup> July 2020****Report of the Programme Director**

<b>Report Title</b>	<b>Programme Directors Update</b>
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Appendices

Appendix A – Programme Director's Update

Appendix B – Finance Monitoring Report

Appendix B1 – Financial Summary and Analysis

**1. Purpose**

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- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to appraise the members of the progress being made to create North Northamptonshire Council.

**2. Recommendations**

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It is recommended that the shadow executive:

- a) Notes and approves the completion of the mobilisation phase of the programme ready for implementation.
- b) Notes the high level programme delivery status
- c) Notes the update on change readiness and change champion recruitment.
- d) Notes the communication and engagement update
- e) Notes the contents and progress on the development of the draft blueprint
- f) Notes the development of a Portfolio Structure
- g) Notes and approves the finance monitoring report.

### **3. Issues and Choices**

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#### **3.1 Report Background**

- 3.1.1 The approach to setting up North Northamptonshire Council had to be amended to reflect the impact of the COVID – 19 Pandemic, which was set out in the Prospectus for Change – Next Chapter. The attached slides form the Programme Director’s update (see Appendix A to the report) that sets out the progress being made to mobilise the revised programme and that this stage is now complete.
- 3.1.2 The development of the service blueprint for North Northamptonshire is making good progress and the Executive is asked to note this and the next steps required to complete the draft blueprint ready for formal approval.
- 3.1.3 The Shadow Executive have produced a Portfolio structure which will enable the FN Programme to design and align the Operational Structure to feed into the blueprint and the MTFP.
- 3.1.4 The finance monitoring report for July is submitted for approval and the attached report (see Appendices B and B1) sets out the details for consideration by the Executive.
- 3.1.5 There is also an update on communications and engagement and change management and the current position in relation to Change Champions and the next steps to engage more widely for the Executives information.

#### **3.2 Issues and Choices**

- 3.2.1 The creation of a draft blueprint for North Northamptonshire Council will be presented to the Executive in August for approval setting out the approach and choices available.

## **4. Implications (including financial implications)**

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### **4.1 Policy**

- 4.1.1 The delivery costs and benefits are set out in detail in the Finance Monitoring Report attached. There is no requirement to provide additional funds and this situation will be carefully monitored on a monthly basis.

### **4.2 Resources and Risk**

- 4.2.1 The full extent of the impact of the pandemic is still emerging and we cannot be sure that a further outbreak is likely or not. The programme has been reorganised to mitigate this as much as possible but it will be necessary to monitor the situation carefully to ensure the resources needed from the sovereign councils are available for the implementation phase of the programme.

### **4.3 Legal**

- 4.3.1 No implications in this report

### **4.4 Equality and Health**

- 4.4.1 No implications in this report

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