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WCC report to KTC 24.02.22

WCC met on the second Tuesday in February. The Council Plan for 2022 was approved thus setting the 'ambition, direction and strategy for both Warwickshire and the County Council'. The plan, these three priorities and seven proposed areas of focus had been looked at in December. Public consultation had taken place and the covid recovery plan and draft State of Warwickshire report were also considered.

For your interest, and for those who have yet to see them, the seven areas of focus are:

Create vibrant places with safe and inclusive communities

Deliver major infrastructure, digital connectivity and improved transport options

Promote inclusive, sustainable economic growth, successful business, good quality jobs and future skills

Tackle climate change, promote biodiversity and deliver on our commitment to net zero

Deliver our Child Friendly Warwickshire strategy – Happy, healthy safe children

Through education, improve life opportunities for children, young people and those with special educational needs and disabilities

Support people to live healthy, happy and independent lives and work with partners to reduce health inequalities

Key aims of the plan are: simplification of the extremely complex organization and prioritization of resources. Examples are given in the plan of previous achievements. For example, out of all county LAs, in 2020/21, the highest number of residents still at home after being discharged from hospital into reablement or rehabilitation, was in Warwickshire.

The 2022/3 budget was approved.

One of the extra committee meetings held recently heard about progress towards an Integrated Care System in Warwickshire. Work is ongoing to improve collaboration and joining up of services across health and social care. This work also aims to involve local people in decision making, empower citizens to take control of their own lives and to focus on ill health prevention. Primary care will continue to have a key role and resources are to be placed as close to the population as possible i e with primary care. We await further developments with interest.