

TONBRIDGE & MALLING BOROUGH COUNCIL

CABINET

14 October 2009

Report of the Chief Executive

Part 1- Public

Matters for Recommendation to Council

1 SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITY STRATEGY 2009-2012

To endorse the final draft of the Sustainable Community Strategy for onward reporting to Council

1.1 Final Sustainable Community Strategy

1.1.1 The Sustainable Community Strategy has been endorsed by Policy Overview Committee at their meeting on 29th September.

1.1.2 The document is 'owned' by the Tonbridge & Malling LSP and was approved at their meeting on the 15th July and also by Community Development Advisory Board on 28th July.

1.2 Legal Implications

1.2.1 The Borough Council has a Statutory Duty to prepare an up to date Sustainable Community Strategy.

1.3 Financial and Value for Money Considerations

1.3.1 The SCS is based on wide consultation with local people on the issues which matter most to them. By taking forward those issues which are the responsibility of the Authority, we are ensuring resources are focused where they are perceived to be most needed.

1.4 Risk Assessment

1.4.1 Any document based on partnership working runs the risk of actions not being taken forward by external partners. Joint working through the LSP and through individual partner meetings to develop realistic actions has reduced this risk.

1.5 Recommendations

1.5.1 That the Sustainable Community Strategy **BE RECOMMENDED** for adoption by Council.

Background papers:

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Nil

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