KCC Services Update November 2014

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KCC Budget Consultation

KCC is on track to deliver this year's target savings of another £81m on top of savings of £269m over the last three years.

Indications are that we will have to find a further £206m during the next three years.

Must find £60m of capital to provide additional school places for the rising number of pupils in our primary schools.

Asking Kent residents to accept a small (1.99% increase) in Council Tax

Consultation for your views is open now closes 28th Nov

- 3 questions 3 minutes
- Budget Modelling Tool





KCC Budget Consultation

£1,000 OF COUNCIL SPENDING BUYS

- 2 weeks of foster care for a child who cannot live safely at home, provided by a KCC registered foster carer
- 69 hours of home care for an older person whose needs are judged moderate or substantial and who cannot meet the full costs themselves
- 100 miles of road gritted in bad weather over the course of the winter
- 430 separate library visits, enough for 16 regular library users over the course of a year.



Service Transformation

Producing similar or better outcomes at reduced cost

- This will involve changing the way we provide some services:
 - Use of technology e.g. telecare, digital interface, etc.
 - Helping people to lead more independent lives
 - Market engagement may lead to buy-in of more services from private and voluntary sector

Some examples:

- Adult Social Care; more support at home, working with health, speedier assessment, new contracts with providers
- Children's services; fewer children in care, greater emphasis on effective prevention and support for families
- Libraries; run by a trust with the advantages of charitable status
- Support services; market testing
- Waste management; turning processing costs into an income stream



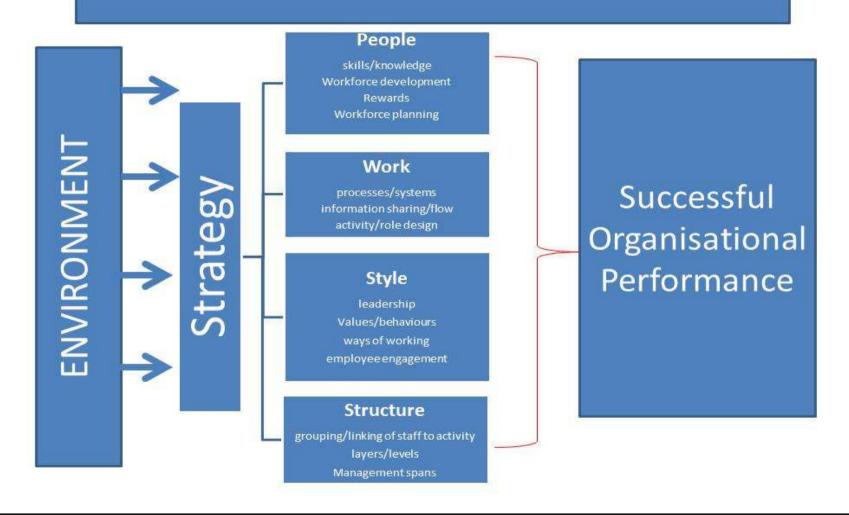
Other Savings and Income

Other savings will be necessary as well as transformation

- Staffing reductions including restructures and vacancy management (250 to 400 fte)
- Reduction in the number of council buildings
- Renegotiate existing contracts with private and voluntary sector through better procurement and commissioning:
 - Care contracts
 - Highways
 - Transport
 - Waste
- Increased income generation from clients and trading
- Full year effect of changes we have already agreed
- Community wardens 50% reduction by exploring all options including Volunteer Community Wardens



KCC ORGANISATIONAL DESIGN MODEL





Getting ready for Winter

- 60 Gritters on standby
- Fully stocked with 23,000 tonnes of salt
- Crews familiarising themselves with our primary salting routes, which cover nearly a third of our entire 5,000 mile road network.
- More than 150 farmers who clear a network of dedicated rural routes in really heavy conditions.

For up to date information follow us on Twitter and Facebook @grittingkent or visit: www.kent.gov.uk/winter.



Emotional Wellbeing Strategy Consultation

- Part 1 of the draft Emotional Wellbeing Strategy is open for consultation from 15 Oct – 5th Jan
- First part of a two-part Strategy, which sets out the vision of partners in Kent to work together in promoting positive emotional wellbeing for children and young people, and to put in place appropriate support to meet a range of needs.
- Commissioning intentions will be developed in Part 2: Delivery Plan.



Emotional Wellbeing Strategy Consultation

- Outcome 1 Early Help: Children, young people and young adults have improved emotional resilience and where necessary, receive early support to prevent problems getting worse.
- Outcome 2 Access: Children, young people & young adults who need additional help get timely, accessible & effective support.
- Outcome 3 Whole-family approaches: Children, young people and young adults receive support that recognises and strengthens their wider family relationships.
- Outcome 4 Recovery and Transition: Children, young people and young adults are prepared for and experience positive transitions between services

Promoting Emotional Well-being is envisaged as a 'golden thread'



Your Views

We want to hear your views about The Way Ahead

The consultation covers:

- The principles set out in Part 1 (which is available now to view) of our draft Strategy,
- and also your thoughts about how these principles could be put into practice within a Delivery Plan (which will form Part 2).

The consultation will be open from 15th October 2014 – 5th January 2015,

The consultation can be accessed at: http://consultations.kent.gov.uk/consult.ti/EWStrategy/consultationHome

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Questions?

