

Report for: OSC: 7th October 2021

Title: Update on Digital Together

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Ward(s) affected: Not applicable

Report for Key/

Non Key Decision: Non Key

1. Describe the issue under consideration

Overview and Scrutiny Committee have requested an update on progress of the Digital Together, cross-council cost cuttings savings programme.

2. Cabinet Member Introduction

3. Recommendations

3.1 To note the contents of the report.

4. Reasons for decision

N/A

5. Alternative options considered

N/A

6. Background information

See attached PowerPoint presentation.

7. Contribution to strategic outcomes

It is envisaged that individual projects within the programme will have the ability to encompass all elements of strategic priority. The programme is assembling a series of projects to deliver savings and improve process efficiency, standardisation and automation across the Council.

The programme is under-pinned by the Digital Strategy and Borough Plan.

8. Statutory Officers comments (Chief Finance Officer (including procurement), Assistant Director of Corporate Governance, Equalities)

Finance Comments

The current year's budget assumes the delivery of £0.750m from this programme with a further £2.250m next year. Within the current challenging financial environment it is critical that the whole organisation engages as a matter of urgency to start realising the planned benefits.

Procurement

N/A

Legal

This report has been forwarded to Legal for comment.

Equality

This report has been forwarded for comment. An EQIA has been completed for the overall programme.

9. Use of Appendices

Appendix 1: PowerPoint: Programme Update

Appendix 2: PowerPoint: CAB submission: 13/10/20.

10. Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985

