

REPORT of DIRECTOR OF SERVICE DELIVERY

to COUNCIL 13 FEBRUARY 2020

ONE MALDON DISTRICT

1. PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

1.1 To present to the Council the One Maldon District proposal

2. RECOMMENDATION

That the Council endorses the formation of One Maldon District (OMD) and merging the strategic arm of the livewell group and Responsible Authorities Group into OMD.

3. SUMMARY OF KEY ISSUES

3.1 What is One Maldon District?

3.1.1 OMD is a senior level partnership, working together to ensure a healthier and prosperous Maldon District in relation to themes of Place, Prosperity, Community and Safety. OMD seeks to maximise collaboration to ensure there is an abundance of opportunities for enhanced health, wellbeing, community safety and feeling of safety within communities across the District.

3.2 What is the purpose of One Maldon District?

3.2.1 OMD has been established to bring together senior representatives from the local statutory, voluntary and private sectors to enhance local quality of life, jointly bid and draw down funding and discuss and link strategies. OMD will hold the statutory function of Responsible Authorities Group.

3.3 Merging the strategic function of the livewell group and the statutory function of Responsible Authorities Group

3.3.1 The function of the livewell group (strategic function) is to improve health and wellbeing in the Maldon District and the function of the Responsible Authorities Group is to address crime and disorder, substance misuse and the reduction of reoffending in Maldon District. Combining the functions of both boards is a logical step as many crime and disorder issues have strong links with health and wellbeing. It would therefore improve coordination, efficiency and effectiveness of any work done by those boards.

3.4 What will the membership of One Maldon District look like?

3.4.1 A range of partners will be invited to represent their organisation at a senior level. This will include: Local Authority (Maldon District Council and Essex County Council), Voluntary Sector, Safety (Police, Fire and Probation), Local business representation, Political Representation (Appointed Members and Local Members of Parliament (MP's)), Cultural sector, Education (Schools, Higher Education and Further Education), Faith representation, Health (Clinical Commissioning Group).

3.5 How has it worked in other local authorities?

3.5.1 The concept of this board is well established and working efficiently and effectively in both Colchester Borough Council and Chelmsford City Council. Having the board in place enables external funding to be brought in which can then be disseminated as required.

4. **CONCLUSION**

4.1 OMD will improve communication and joint partnership working that is undertaken at a senior level between the statutory, voluntary and private sector. The OMD board will support Maldon District Council (MDC) to work more efficiently and effectively in relation to community, safety, prosperity and place whilst supporting work which will achieve delivery of our corporate outcomes.

5. IMPACT ON STRATEGIC THEMES

- 5.1 **Community** – The formation of the OMD board will enable our strategic partnerships to be coordinated to ensure delivery on our community corporate outcomes. OMD will allow MDC to be on the front foot in terms of awareness and involvement of strategic projects or programmes, which will support delivery on corporate plan outcomes.
- 5.2 Place – The OMD board will enable better coordination and communication between strategic partners which may result in supporting the delivery of place corporate outcomes.
- 5.3 **Prosperity** – The link between the prosperity of our residents and their physical, mental and social wellbeing is fully understood and not underestimated. OMD will highlight opportunities for joint working and any projects in relation to prosperity corporate outcomes where communities of the District will also benefit.

6. IMPLICATIONS

(i) <u>Impact on Customers</u> – The OMD board will provide senior level coordination between statutory, private and voluntary organisations within the District. This will mean more joined up ways of working and support MDC in our delivery of the corporate outcomes: customers' expectations exceeded, continuing to work sustainably, effective engagement to support strong and

resilient communities, partnership working to safeguard vulnerable adults, children and families and working with communities and partners to support our health and wellbeing priorities.

(ii) <u>Impact on Equalities</u> – The Council is committed to providing equal opportunities with no discrimination. There are no identifiable impacts currently based upon the work to date.

Impact on Risk: (iii)

- Operational risk None.
- Organisational risks None.
- Partnerships The OMD board is likely to strengthen the following partnerships: voluntary sector, Police, Fire, Probation, Business, Cultural Sector, Education, Faith Representation and Clinical Commissioning Group.
- **Impact on Resources (financial)** None. (iv)
- **Impact on Resources (human)** None. (v)
- **Impact on the Environment** None. (vi)

Background Papers: None.

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