



Longford County Council  
Corporate Plan  
2019-2024



Adopted by the Elected Members of Longford County Council  
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# *Vibrant County Longford*

A County of hidden gems!



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# *Revitalised County Longford*

Corporate Plan 2019-2024 will allow Longford County Council to harness the unique strengths of our communities throughout our County to make County Longford a safe, vibrant and prosperous place to be.



# Message from the Cathaoirleach and Chief Executive

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Longford County Council's Corporate Plan 2019 to 2024 represents our commitment to serve, represent and lead the communities of our county for the next five years.

The plan, which is informed by the views of our Elected Members and Workforce, our Communities and our Stakeholders, has a list of specific high level objectives against which our performance will be measured every year between now and 2024.

The plan will allow Longford County Council to harness the unique strengths of our communities throughout our county to make County Longford a safe, vibrant and prosperous place to be.



**Paddy Mahon**  
Chief Executive



**Micheál Carrigy**  
Cathaoirleach

# *Embraced County Longford*

This Corporate Plan presents a clear picture and insight into the strategies and ambitions for the betterment of our County towards which we can all strive to achieve.



## Introduction

This Corporate Plan 2019-2024 was developed and adopted by Longford County Council.

It provides a framework within which the Council can continue to strengthen the way we do vital everyday work.

In publishing this Corporate Plan the Council presents a clear picture and insight into the strategies and ambitions for the betterment of our county towards which we can all strive to achieve.

This Corporate Plan was prepared on an inclusive basis involving wide ranging consultation with our stakeholders. The Council acknowledges the participation and engagement of all.

We look forward to collaboratively working together towards achieving our strategic objectives and welcome all to engage in the opportunities embodied in this plan for our county.

# *Peaceful County Longford*

The County is a hidden gem in Irelands midlands renowned for its rich culture, heritage and natural amenities.





## Our County

County Longford is centrally and strategically located in the midlands. It is very accessible with road and rail links. The county has a growing population with Longford Town, the county town, accounting for approximately one fifth of the county's population. Longford Town is the administrative centre for Longford County Council.

The county is a hidden gem in Ireland's midlands renowned for its rich culture, heritage and natural amenities. It is a special place with fascinating history, beautiful waterways, diverse landscapes and offers visitors an authentic experience.

The recent opening of the Center Parcs Longford Forest near Ballymahon and the Royal Canal Greenway which passes through the county contributed to Longford now being a major tourist destination.

Longford has significant potential to attract investment. The county has a rich economic legacy in areas of agriculture, manufacturing, engineering, med-tech and pharma areas.

Our people are enterprising, welcoming and friendly and are enthusiastic to see the county progress.

# Our Council

The Council has a fundamental role in leading, serving and representing our communities. The Council leads the social, economic, environmental, recreational, cultural, and community development of the county.

## Elected Council

Longford County Council is the primary unit of Local Government operating since its establishment in 1898 with democratically elected members. The Elected Council elected in May 2019 comprises 18 democratically Elected Members with Members simultaneously elected to the County Council and to the three Municipal Districts of Ballymahon, Granard and Longford. The role of the Elected Council is to determine Strategic Policy and to represent the general view of citizens that elected them. The Elected Members carry out their role by way of reserved functions in public session of the Council Meetings. Reserved functions are primarily of a policy nature and include adoption of County Development Plan, Annual Budget, Housing Action Plan and the Corporate Plan.

## Strategic Policy Committees

The Elected Council is assisted in its policy deliberations by 4 Strategic Policy Committees in the areas of:

- Climate Action and Planning
- Placemaking including Economic Development and Enterprise
- Strategic Infrastructure
- Governance

The membership of the Strategic Policy Committees is drawn from the Council Members, sectoral and community representatives.

## Corporate Policy Group

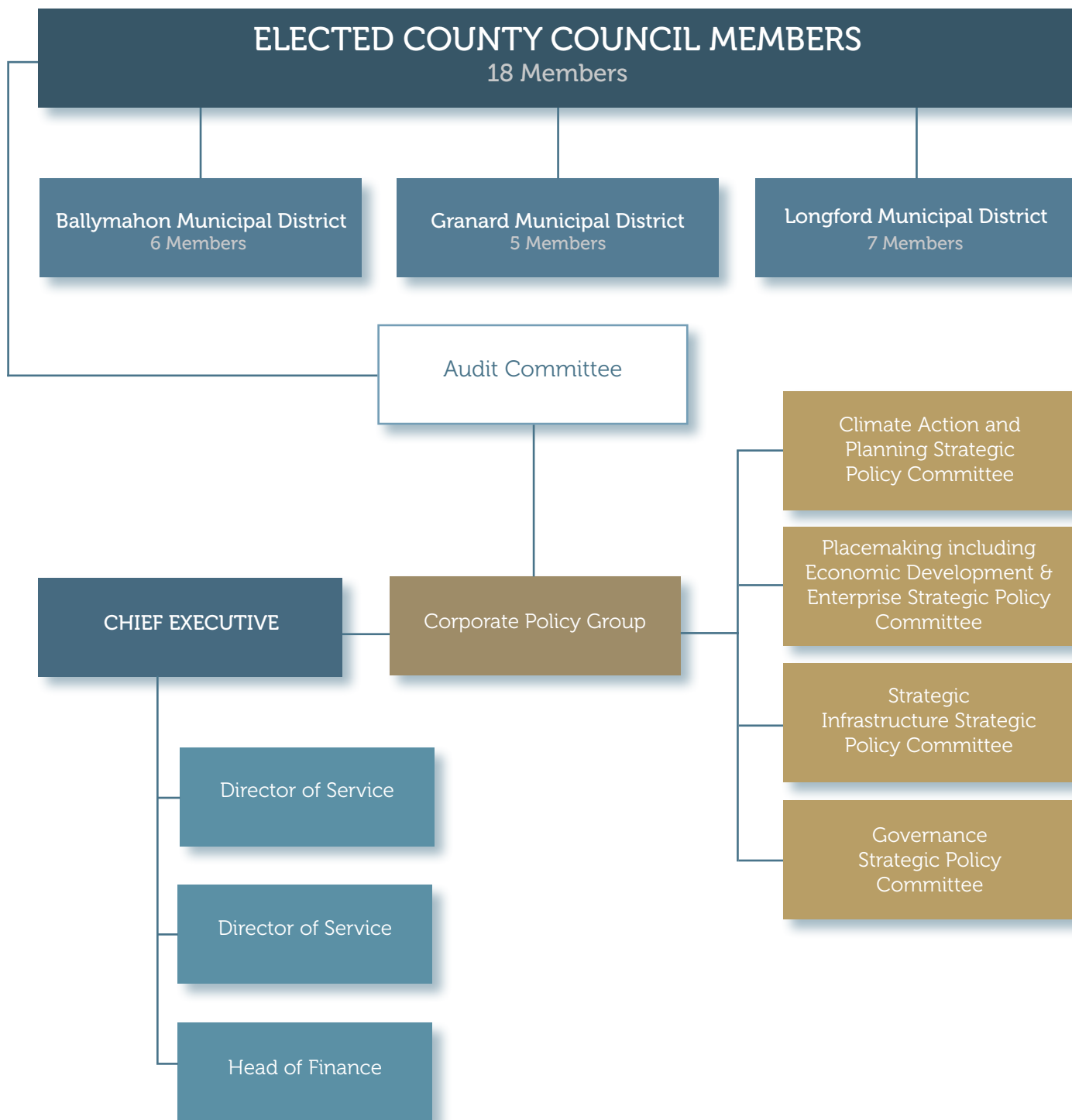
The Chairpersons of the Strategic Policy Committees together with the Cathaoirleach of the Council form the Corporate Policy Group. The Corporate Policy Group provide an important advisory and consultative role on policy matters as required. The Corporate Policy Group supported by the Chief Executive has statutory functions including the preparation of the Annual Budget and preparation and ongoing monitoring of the Corporate Plan.

## Chief Executive

The role of the Chief Executive is to carry out the Executive functions of the Council. The Chief Executive is appointed in accordance with the Local Government Regulations, 2014 and is responsible for the day to day operational decisions under the Council Policies decided by the Councillors. The delivery of all Council services is a matter for the Chief Executive of the Council. Functions include all employee related matters, planning decisions, the award of grants and loans, the allocation of houses and the management of the Council's Assets. Council employees carry out their roles and duties under the direction and guidance of the Chief Executive.

# Our Organisation

## Organisational Structure



# Putting People First

The Council has a fundamental role in leading, serving and representing our communities.

## Local Community Development Committee

The Local Community Development Committee (LCDC) is a committee of the Council established in 2014. The aim of the Committee is to develop, co-ordinate and implement a coherent and integrated approach to local and community development. Membership of this committee comprises of a range of statutory and non-statutory socio-economic partners drawn from the Council's administrative area. Committee membership is constituted to ensure an appropriate representational balance between public and private interests, while also facilitating an appropriate mix across the broad range of sectors across the county.

The LCDC develops a Local Economic and Community Plan (LECP) which outlines the strategic framework for economic and community development for the county.

## Public Participation Network

The Public Participation Network is a framework for Public Engagement and Participation in Local Government. The Public Participation Network is the main link through which the Council connects with the Community, Voluntary and Environmental Sectors. The network brings together these groups to give voice to a diverse range of views and interests within the local government system, so they can fully participate in policy making and activities that will shape the future development of our county. The Public Participation Network facilitates representations on decision making committees and bodies within the Council such as the Strategic Policy Committees and the Local Community Development Committee.

## Joint Policing Committee

The Joint Policing Committee is a body established under the Garda Síochána Act 2005 to provide a dedicated forum to support consultation, co operation and synergy on policing and crime issues between An Garda Síochána, Council Officials, Elected Members and the community and voluntary sectors. Through the work of the Joint Policing Committee, all parties can have the opportunity to contribute to the improved safety and quality of life of the community.

# Diverse, Rural & Thriving County Longford



40,873

Total population as per 2016 Census.  
The population of County Longford grew up by 4.8% in the last five years as per 2016 Census.



65%

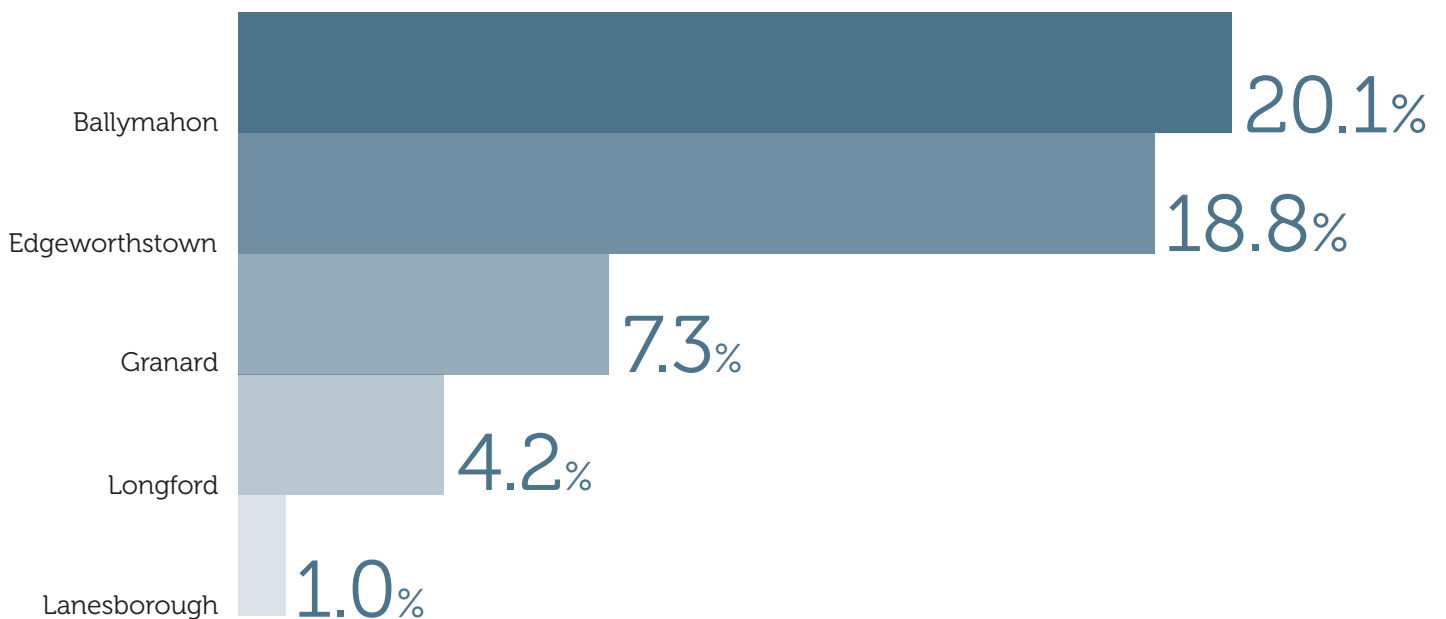
Percentage of population live in rural areas as per 2016 Census  
67.6% of the county's total area is farmed.

86.4%

Percentage of population at work as per Live Register August 2019.

16.4%

Percentage of non-Irish population as per 2016 Census.



Growing Towns in County Longford as per 2011-2016 Census.

# Resilient County Longford

Longford County Council is responsible for the provision of an extensive range of public services to enhance quality of life of citizens in the county.



## What we do

Longford County Council is responsible for the provision of an extensive range of public services to enhance quality of life of citizens in the county.

- Arts & Heritage
- Civil Defence
- Climate Change
- Community & Enterprise
- Community Sports, Recreation & Leisure
- Corporate Services
- Economic Development
- Environmental Management
- Finance & Information Technology
- Fire & Emergency Services
- Housing & Building
- Human Resources
- Library & Cultural & Archives Services
- Local Enterprise
- Local Representations and Civic Leadership
- Planning
- Regeneration
- Roads Transportation & Safety
- Tourism Development & Promotion
- Veterinary Services
- Water & Waste Water Services

**Your Council**

working for **you**

# *Thriving County Longford*

County Longford is the perfect location for any potential investor or company seeking a strategic business location.





# Setting the Scene

This Corporate Plan builds on the achievements of our previous plans and the delivery of key objectives. The Council has a proven record of success in delivering projects in collaboration and partnership with our stakeholders and communities. The Council has achieved national and international recognition for projects and systems.

Longford as a Tourism Location	Maintain an Enhanced Level of Service	Funding Opportunities Maximised	
Addressing Unfinished Estates	National & International Awards	Increased Employment Public & Private Sector	Age Action
New Corporate Branding with Increased Social Media Presence	Climate Change Adaptation Strategy	Open Library & Library Facilities	
Staff Adapted to Change	Improved Staffing Levels	IT & Broadband & Online Services	Social Inclusion
Sports Partnership & Healthy Ireland Programmes	Funding Available for Work in the Community & Flood Relief	Environmental Initiatives including Green Schools	
Improved Road Network	Employee Career Development & Support	Revised Local Government Structures	Gas Pipeline
Regeneration Projects	Local Elections New Council Formation	Albert Reynolds Memorial Lecture	
Housing Programmes	Community Development & Support	Business & Enterprise Support	Promotion of Town & County

# Democratic County Longford

Longford County Council is the primary unit of Local Government operating since its establishment in 1898 with democratically elected members.

## Ballymahon Municipal District



Mick Cahill



Mark Casey



Gerard Farrell



Ballymahon  
Municipal District



Colm Murray

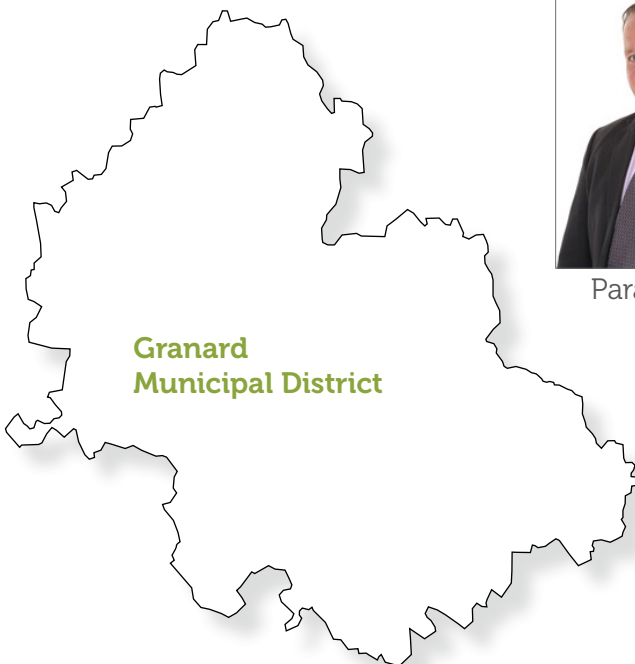


Pat O'Toole



Paul Ross

## Granard Municipal District



Granard  
Municipal District



Paraic Brady



Micheál Carrigy



Garry Murtagh



Turlough McGovern



P.J. Reilly

# Elected Members of Longford County Council

The 18 elected members represent the citizens of the County comprising three Municipal Districts.

## Longford Municipal District



John Browne



Seamus Butler



Gerry Hagan



Joe Flaherty



Martin Monaghan



Peggy Nolan



Gerry Warnock



# *Progressive County Longford*

Longford County Council will proactively engage within its operating environments to ensure that the Council is always well positioned to serve, represent and lead the communities of County Longford.

The Management Team are responsible for the executive functions of the Council. They make such organisation and employee arrangements as necessary for the delivery of Council functions and services.

The Management Team will lead and maintain the momentum in delivery of our Corporate Plan objectives.

## **Management Team**



**Paddy Mahon**  
Chief Executive



**John Brannigan**  
Director of Service



**Barbara Heslin**  
Director of Service



**John McKeon**  
Head of Finance

# Our Operating Environment

Longford County Council operates in a challenging and at times unpredictable environment that places significant demands on the capacity and resources of the Council.

The Council's corporate planning process requires an analysis of the external factors to help inform the key objectives within the Plan.

In framing our strategic objectives, detailed consideration was given to the potential impact of both external and internal environments on the activities and our performance.

External Factors:

- Legal - EU & National Regulatory Framework
- Political
- Socio- Economic
- Societal
- Technological

To deliver on the objectives the necessary organisational capacity, structure and resources must be put in place. Workforce Planning, Our People Strategy, Financial Management, Performance Measurement and Reporting against targets will be key to delivering objectives.

The potential of the effective use of modern technologies, social networking, mobile apps and geographical information systems in an interactive manner with the public provides a real opportunity to optimise the efficiency in delivering our services.

Longford County Council will proactively engage within its operating environments to ensure that the Council is always well positioned to serve, represent and lead the communities of County Longford.

# Our Vision, Mission and Values

As we look towards the future we have an ambitious and challenging vision for the Corporate Plan 2019-2024 of Longford County Council.



Longford – the place to be

## Our Vision

Our vision is make Longford a prosperous county that seeks to support

- Vibrant economy
- Rural quality of life
- Active and safe communities
- Diversity, culture and heritage
- Healthy and sustainable natural environment
- Sense of community pride and place

## Our Mission

Our mission is to work with our communities and partners to develop Longford as a dynamic, vibrant, safe and prosperous county, celebrating its diversity, culture and heritage and, through strong leadership, build safe, healthy and sustainable communities.

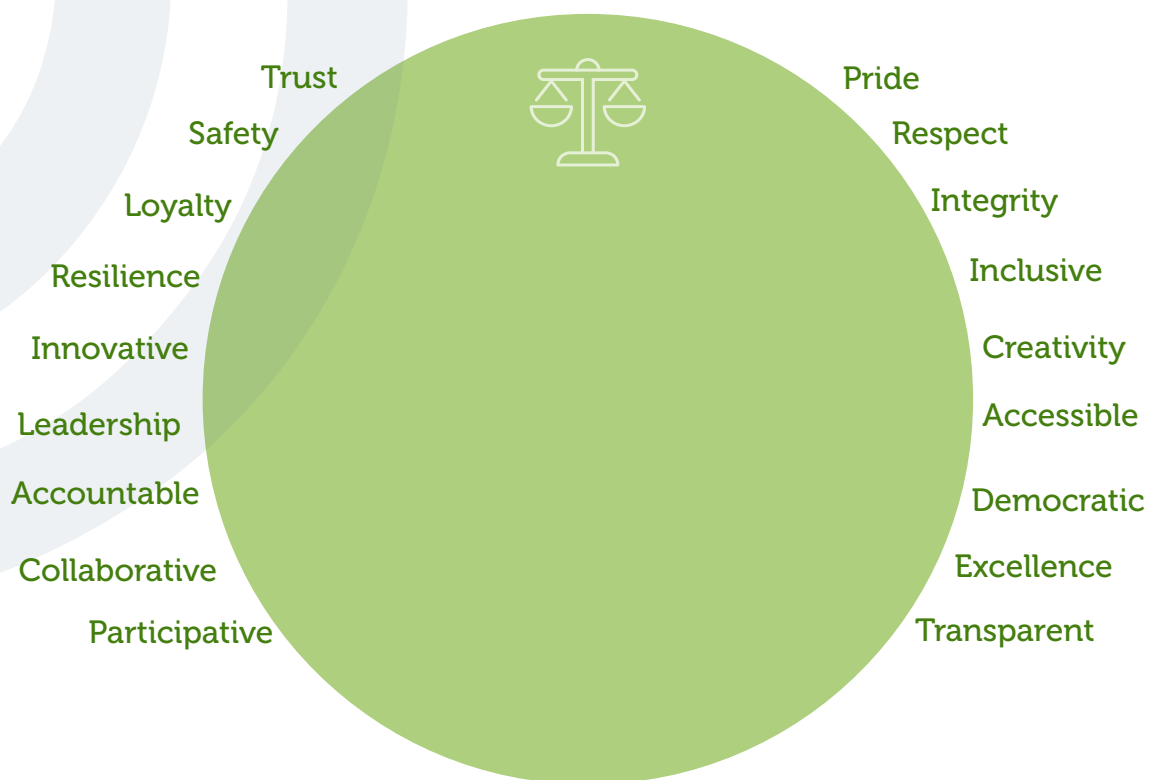


Connected –  
People, Place & Opportunity



# Our Values

Longford County Council activities and interactions are grounded in and guided by the following core values



# Our Guiding Principles

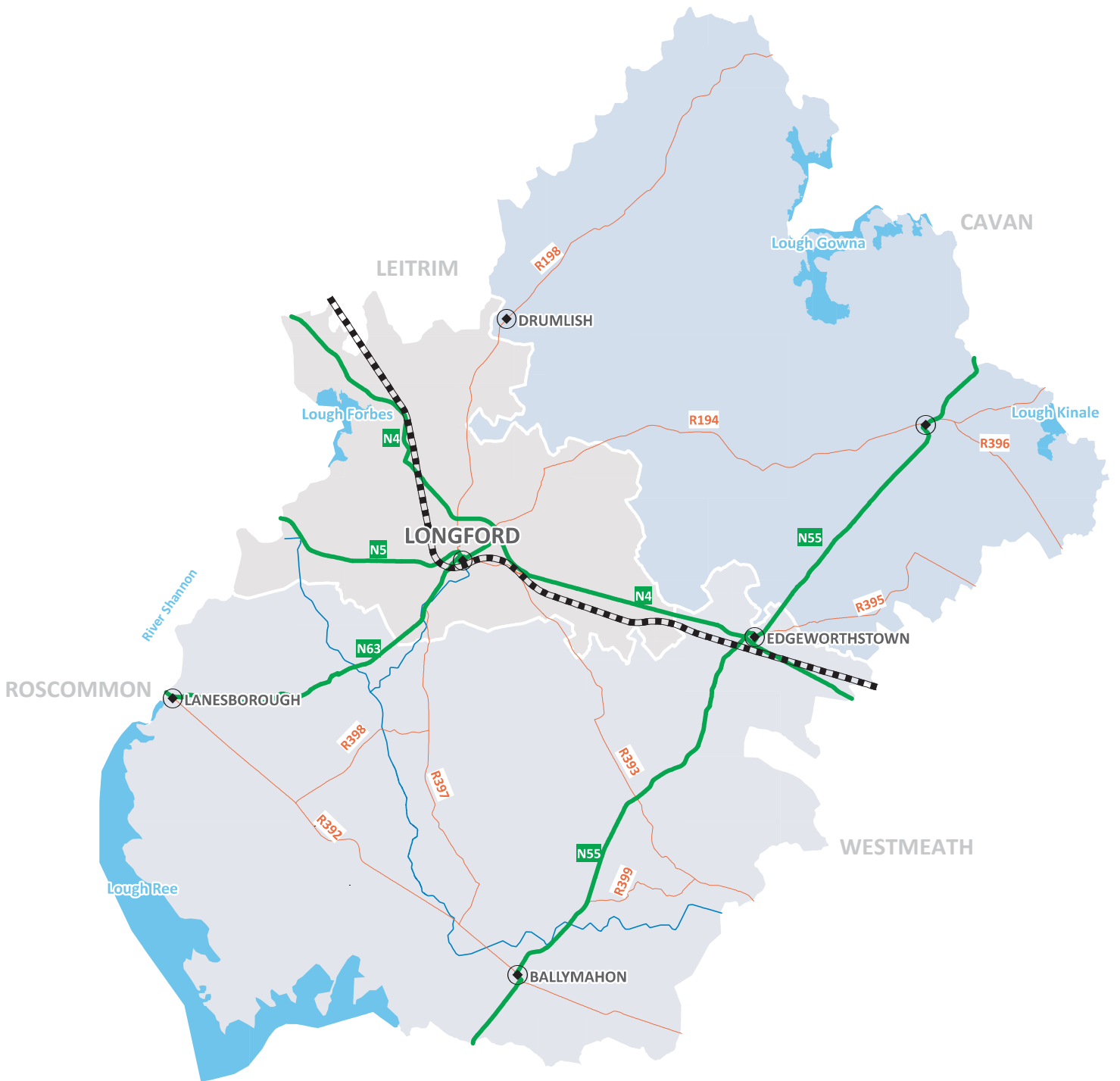
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# L O N G F O R D







# Connected County Longford

We want Longford to be modern, connected County and vibrant place to live, work and do business.



Longford  
*The place to be...*

# Our Strategic Objectives

We want Longford to be modern, connected county and vibrant place to live, work and do business in.

We are ambitious for our county and are demanding of ourselves as an organisation.

Our Corporate Plan sets out our objectives with three central themes People, Place, and Opportunity to continue to be an engaging, open, connected and innovative Council for all.

Our Corporate Plan outlines our priorities for Longford and prioritises the issues that our engagement and consultation processes have told us matter to our county and our people.

## Longford - A Thriving County

OBJECTIVES	SUPPORTING STRATEGIES	EXPECTED OUTCOMES
Continue to grow and transform our county's economy	Promote Longford as a proven and successful location for investment  Support businesses to adapt to national and global changes  Support and encourage innovation in tourism	Longford recognised as a great place to do business, with an infrastructure that supports the local economy  Investment in infrastructure and services to support the prosperity of our citizens
Lead and support the regeneration of our county towns and villages	Continue to leverage funding for regeneration projects and work in partnership with agencies and our communities on regeneration projects  Develop arts and cultural activities to add to the vibrancy of our towns and villages  Ensure planning and economic development takes place within an agreed framework, developed in consultation with our citizens and other stakeholders	Business growth that encourages people to live and work in our County  Well-designed, active, vibrant communities where families can live, learn and work locally
Develop new and existing business districts and encourage the growth of a skilled workforce	Collaborate with other stakeholders and statutory providers in developing the essential infrastructure necessary for economic and social development  Promote our central and connected modern county as a place to live, work and do business  Strengthen linkages with our Diaspora to contribute to the business development of our county	High value and high skill sectors developed  Sustainable employment opportunities for all

## Longford - A Thriving County

### OBJECTIVES

Improve connectivity and accessibility, both infrastructural and digital, to attract and support business community and our people

Strive to develop a Public Service Centre of Excellence

### SUPPORTING STRATEGIES

Support and implement the Public Service Information Communication Technology Strategy

Support Government's National Broadband Plan and development of innovation hubs and shared spaces where people will have access to a modern and reliable broadband network

Improvement of Longford's strategic road network

Embrace and enable public sector innovation in delivering our services

Foster and generate productive working relationships with our Public Service partners

Collaborate with our partners in the development of a new Public Service Civic Centre

### EXPECTED OUTCOMES

Longford is well connected and accessible for our businesses, communities and visitors

Delivery of better outcomes for our citizens, businesses and communities through a more integrated, shared and digital environment

The Council are taking advantage of new digital tools and techniques to tailor our service delivery model in response to the changing needs of citizens

More integrated, shared Public Service delivery with a new Public Service Civic Centre in Longford town

## Longford - A Greener County

### OBJECTIVES

Place climate action, biodiversity and the environment at the heart of local decision making

### SUPPORTING STRATEGIES

Climate proof Council policies and operations

Integrate climate change as a key consideration informing the County Development Plan

Mainstream climate change adaptation into all Council functions, operations and service level agreements

### EXPECTED OUTCOMES

Progressive yet unspoilt cleaner greener county

More energy efficient county with clean and open spaces

# Longford - A Greener County

OBJECTIVES	SUPPORTING STRATEGIES	EXPECTED OUTCOMES
<p>Lead and provide a planned and coherent response to the effects of climate change</p>	<p>Promote principles and best practices of a sustainable environment to maintain the county’s image as an environmentally friendly county in all its aspects</p> <p>Increase awareness of climate change at local level</p> <p>Lead the way to reduce the economic, environmental and social impacts of climate change across communities</p>	<p>Empowered and cohesive communities with strong understanding of climate risks</p> <p>Increased resilience to impacts of climate change</p>
<p>Support the transition to a low carbon economy and ensure that policies and practices lead towards low carbon pathways and put in place processes for carbon proofing major decisions, programmes and projects, moving over time to a near zero carbon investment strategy</p>	<p>Aim to measure the carbon impact of our various activities and implement measures which reduce our carbon emissions</p> <p>Support our employees and encourage our communities to undertake lifestyle changes to reduce their carbon impact</p> <p>Exercise our planning and regulatory roles to help improve climate outcomes by developing and implementing policy standards on climate action</p>	<p>Delivery of a 50% improvement in energy efficiency by 2030</p> <p>Progress towards a near zero carbon investment strategy</p>
<p>Protect our natural and built environment</p>	<p>Maintain and protect Longford’s natural and built resources - green spaces, lakes and rivers through the implementation of appropriate policies, plans and actions</p> <p>Promote, protect and enhance the biodiversity of the county</p> <p>Work in partnership with state agencies and Bord na Mona on the rehabilitation of bogs and the development of a wilderness park</p>	<p>Increased awareness and knowledge of biodiversity with participation by communities in conservation efforts</p> <p>Further development of walk and cycle ways and progress on the development of a wilderness park</p>

# Longford - A Safer County

OBJECTIVES	SUPPORTING STRATEGIES	EXPECTED OUTCOMES
Safeguard, protect and enhance the environment in the interests of quality of life, economic development and regulatory compliance	<p>Develop and implement appropriate policies, plans and actions to ensure our county becomes a safer place to live, work and invest</p> <p>Provide a professional and active role in monitoring air, water and food quality and standards</p> <p>Work with the relevant agencies to improve road and water safety</p>	<p>Improved compliance with quality standards</p> <p>Safer and more accessible amenities for our citizens</p>
Address safety and security issues and concerns for our communities	<p>Take action to prevent and reduce incidences of anti-social behaviour through the Joint Policing Committee</p> <p>Ensure a multi-agency approach is adopted to deal with specific anti-social behaviour issues</p> <p>Participate in effective crime prevention partnerships with community and State Agencies</p> <p>Encourage and support crime prevention initiatives</p>	<p>People are safe and feel safe</p> <p>Reduced crime and successful resolution of anti-social issues</p>
Partner with other principal response agencies to plan and respond to emergencies	<p>Ensure necessary planning, preparedness, capacity, training and coordination is in place</p> <p>Support and strengthen communities' resilience for response to emergencies and work with other principal response agencies to plan for and respond to major emergencies</p> <p>Provide for public safety through efficient and effective Fire and Civil Defence services</p>	<p>Safety of our communities is enhanced</p> <p>Citizens are enabled to participate in and contribute to their community</p>

# Longford - A Safer County

## OBJECTIVES

Promote and implement best practice in Occupational Health & Safety

Ensure our governance structures are underpinned by responsive leadership, robust processes and compliance

## SUPPORTING STRATEGIES

Maintain the health, safety and wellbeing of our workforce

Encourage and promote a culture of continuous Health & Safety improvement across the organisation

Implement proactive and responsive approaches

Provide strong executive business management, risk management, procurement, audit and corporate governance structures and ensure that systems, processes and procedures meet the highest standards

Measure and report on the performance of the organisation

Support Elected Members in their policy making and representational roles

## EXPECTED OUTCOMES

A strong organisational Health & Safety culture

Recognised as leaders in developing and managing Occupational Health & Safety Systems

Elected Members and employees exemplify high standards of conduct, behaviour and ethical governance

A high performing well governed Council delivering on its strategic objectives

# Longford - A County for Everyone

## OBJECTIVES

Develop connected, sustainable and prosperous communities with access to housing, education, work, healthcare and leisure

Enhance, celebrate and support our rich culture, heritage, diversity, sport and creativity

## SUPPORTING STRATEGIES

Create balanced and mixed communities of persons of varied ages, family composition, ethnic background and socio-economic status

Facilitate the provision of well managed and well maintained social housing within an environment that is attractive, safe and secure in a community where people will want to live

Support the LCDC in the development of a strategic framework for economic and community development for the county

Work with the relevant agencies to improve access to and delivery of high quality services for our citizens

Enable every person in Longford to have the opportunity to realise their full potential

Implement appropriate strategies, policies, plans and actions which support integration, activity, creativity and improved health outcomes for citizens

Provide support and assistance to emerging and established communities

## EXPECTED OUTCOMES

Provision of and access to housing suitable to the needs of our communities and improved quality of life for our citizens

Improved access and delivery of services for citizens through a coordinated multi-agency approach

Citizens embrace and enjoy living in vibrant communities with a better quality of life

Quality of life and health and wellbeing principles will be embodied in the heart of all our activities



# Longford - A County for Everyone

## OBJECTIVES

Advocate social inclusion through respect and promotion of equality and human rights and be guided in all our work by public sector duty principles

Support and strengthen Local Democracy

## SUPPORTING STRATEGIES

Use our libraries and public spaces for our communities to engage, integrate and work collaboratively together

Implement the Public Sector Duty Principles

Develop and support programmes which advance social inclusion principles

Promote public participation and involvement in the democratic and decision making processes through active consultation and communication with employees and citizens and provision of support for the Public Participation Network

Ensure our communications are accurate, timely and relevant for all

Implement Electoral Register Modernisation

## EXPECTED OUTCOMES

An inclusive county with access to quality services

Our citizens are valued and empowered

Citizens and employees are engaged and have a real say over issues that affect them

Enhanced recognition of the importance of the Register of Electors and its role in the democratic process

# *Inclusive County Longford*

Implementation and delivery of the Corporate Plan will be supported by integrated Corporate, Workforce and Financial Planning, Performance Measurement and Monitoring and Corporate Governance Protocols.



## How we will Deliver

The content and the strategic objectives in this Corporate Plan aim to drive the Council's business process and performance for the coming years. The objectives in this Corporate Plan will be delivered by our employees, our Elected Members and our external representatives on committees.

- Our Employees through their Annual Service Plans and their work activities.
- Our Elected Members responsible for policy formulation will have a significant impact on policies that will be pursued in support of the plan.
- External representatives as members of Strategic Policy Committees and Local Community Development Committee have a role and contribute to policy development.

A range of Government and other agencies will partner with us and contribute to the delivery of our Plan.

We will resource this plan through the implementation of integrated Corporate and Workforce Planning, annual budgetary process and through various Service Level Agreements between Longford County Council and the stakeholders and agencies that we collaborate with.

We recognise the integral role employees play in advancing the economic and social development of the county and implementing the objectives in this plan. Our People Strategy provides for the ongoing development of our employees, enabling them to meet current and future challenges through communication, participation and ongoing training and development.

Annual Service Plans will be prepared setting out in detail the activities to be undertaken across all key functional areas to deliver on the Corporate Plan objectives.

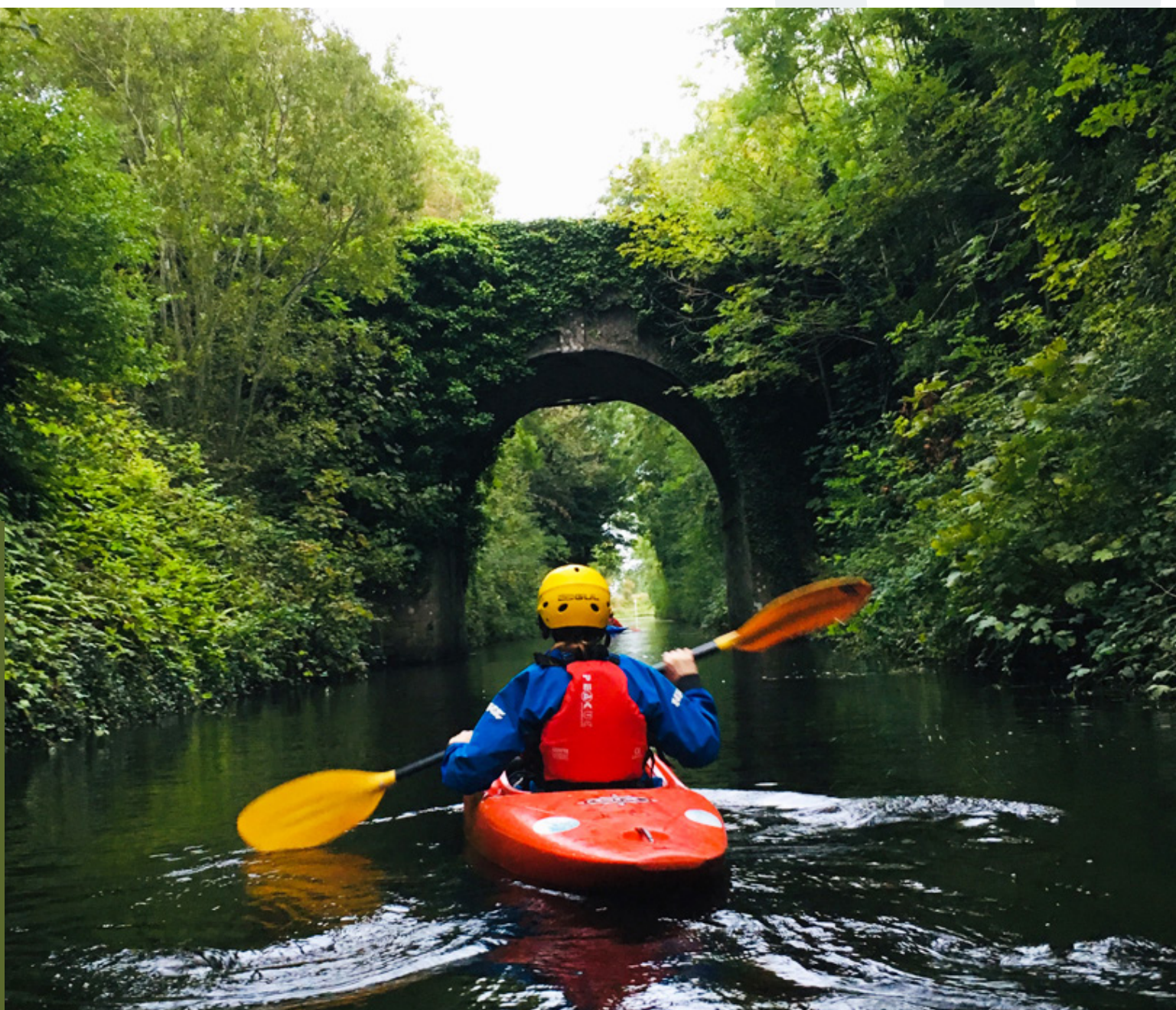
Performance indicators will be embedded in the Annual Service Plan. Baseline performance measures and service levels will be identified where applicable and the Council will set targets to ensure improvement in performance over time. Setting of targets with a performance focus will ensure the Council can build on and further develop our culture of organisational excellence in service delivery. The baseline performance measures will provide basis against which future performance will be measured.

The National Oversight Audit Commission will receive a copy of the adopted Corporate Plan and will monitor its adequacy of the Corporate Plan and evaluate its implementation.

Ultimately, our Citizens, Community, Voluntary and other organisations will assess our performance in terms of quality of service delivered.

# *Positive County Longford*

The Plan includes a framework for the implementation, monitoring and review of the strategic objectives, which will ensure that the Plan remains focused, flexible and responsive in a changing environment.



# Implementation, Monitoring and Review

How will we know we are meeting our Commitments?

Progress on achieving objectives will be formally measured in a variety of ways including:

- Development and Delivery of Annual Service Plan for each Functional Area
- Monthly Chief Executive Report to Council
- Corporate Policy Group Review on Bi-annual basis
- Annual Progress Report on Corporate Plan Implementation
- Council's Annual Report
- Audit Committee Report
- National Oversight and Audit Commission review
- Financial Outturns Report – Annual Financial Statement and Annual Budgets
- External Local Government Audit Reports
- Customer Feedback Surveys
- Performance Management Development Systems
- Performance Indicators Management & Monitoring

Annual Service Plan priorities and activities will be revised if corrective action, revision or reprioritisation of actions is deemed necessary.

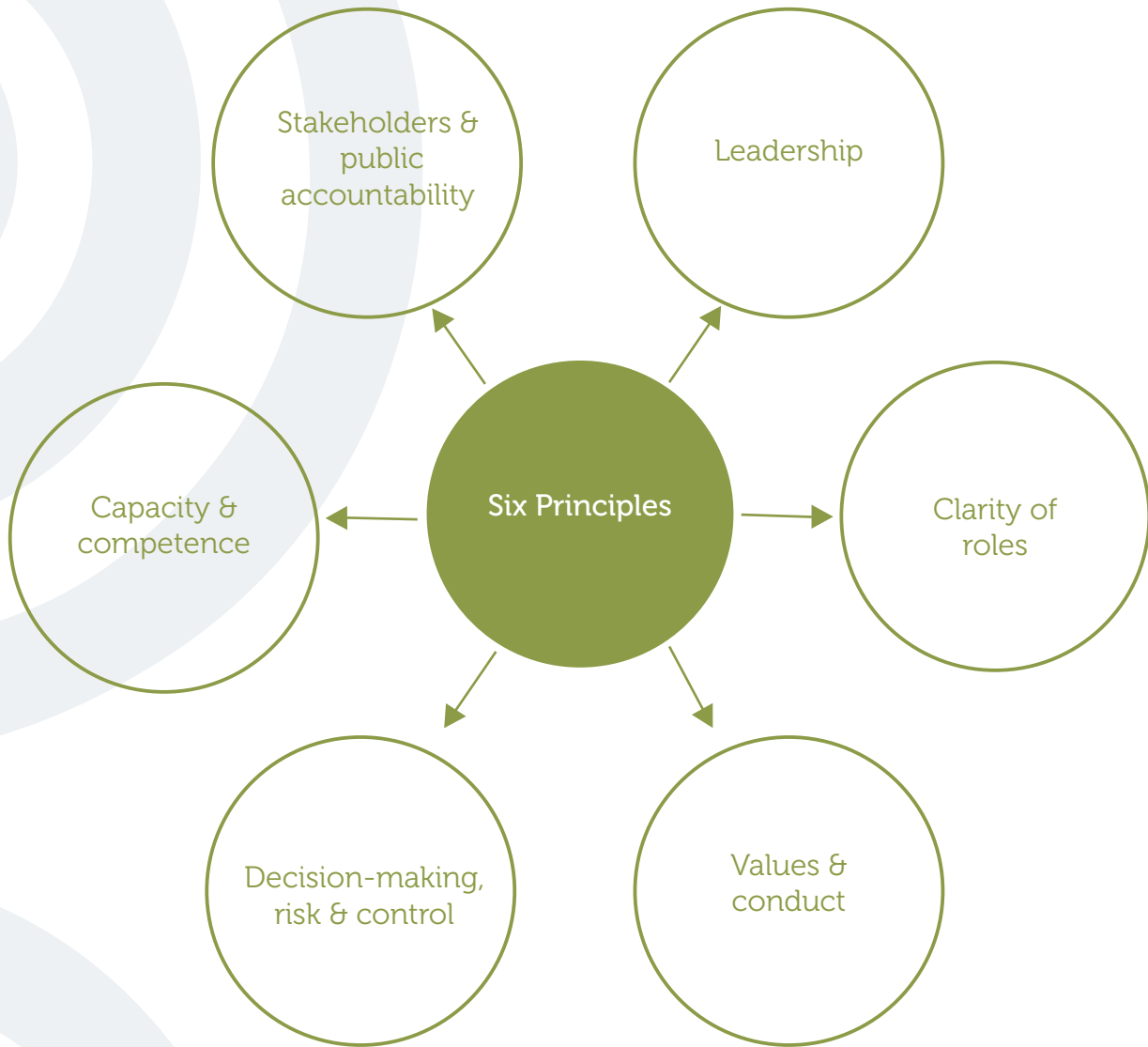


# *Governing County Longford*

The Council operates through a strong, transparent and responsive governance framework that brings together an underlying set of legislative requirements, governance principles and management processes.



# Governance



# *Longford - A County for Everyone*

The Place to be...





# Acknowledgements

Preparation and compilation of this Corporate Plan involved and included:

- our Citizens
- our Stakeholders
- our Elected Members
- our Corporate Policy Group
- our Employees
- our Management Team
- our Chief Executive

The Council acknowledges and extends its gratitude for all contributions to this important Corporate Plan.





# Appendices

# Consultation

Formal invitation to our citizens to help plan our county and participate in our Corporate Plan preparation.

## *Phlean Corparaideach 2019 -2024* Corporate Plan 2019 - 2024



### Have your Say

*Help Your Council Plan Our County for the Next 5 Years*

Longford County Council is currently preparing Our Corporate Plan. The Corporate Plan serves as the Council's strategic framework for action over the duration of the Plan. The plan is being prepared on an inclusive basis with comprehensive engagement with Our stakeholders.

The Council invites submissions from all interested parties with views and ideas that may shape and inform Our Corporate Plan.

**Submissions should be received on or before the 16th October 2019 to the undersigned marked "Corporate Plan"**

**at Council Offices, Aras an Chontae, Great Water Street, Longford**

**or by email to: [corporateplan@longfordcoco.ie](mailto:corporateplan@longfordcoco.ie)**

**Barbara Heslin**  
Director of Services



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# Consultees

An Chomhairle Ealaíon  
An TAISCE  
Bus Éireann  
Cavan County Council  
CLUID Housing Association  
Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine  
Department of Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht  
Department of Education & Skills  
Department of Employment Affairs and Social Protection  
Department of Transport Tourism & Sport  
Dept of Communications Climate Action & Environment  
Eircom  
Elected Members Longford County Council  
Employees Longford County Council  
EMRA  
Engineers Ireland  
Enterprise Ireland  
Environmental Protection Agency  
Failte Ireland  
Forsa  
FSAI  
Garda Síochána  
IDA Ireland  
IFA  
Inland Fisheries Board  
IPA  
Irish Human Rights & Equality Commission  
Irish Rail  
Laois County Council  
LAPO  
LCDC  
Leitrim County Council  
Local Link  
Longford Chamber of Commerce  
Longford Community Resources Corporate Services  
Longford Travellers Movement  
Longford Women's Link  
LWETB  
NRA  
NWRA  
Offaly County Council  
Roscommon County Council  
SIPTU  
TEAGASC  
The Heritage Council  
Transport Infrastructure Ireland  
USEFE  
Waterways Ireland  
Westmeath County Council

## Strategies and Plans influencing Local Government and Our Council Obligations and Activities

<b>Policies and Strategies</b>	<b>A Thriving County</b>	<b>A Safer County</b>	<b>A Greener County</b>	<b>A County for Everyone</b>
<a href="#">Action Programme for Effective Local Government, Putting People First</a>	✓			
<a href="#">Children First – National Guidance for Protection and Welfare of Children</a>		✓		
<a href="#">Code of Conduct Guidelines for Elected Representatives and Employees</a>		✓		
<a href="#">Innovation 2020</a>	✓			
<a href="#">Keeping Communities Safe – Fire Services Framework</a>		✓		
<a href="#">National Climate Change Adaptation Framework</a>			✓	
<a href="#">National Cyber Security Strategy</a>	✓			
<a href="#">National Digital Strategy</a>	✓			
<a href="#">Our Public Libraries 2022</a>				✓
<a href="#">Realising Our Rural Potential – Action Plan for Rural Development</a>	✓			
<a href="#">National Heritage Plan – Heritage Ireland 2030</a>				✓
<a href="#">Creative Ireland Programme</a>				✓
<a href="#">Healthy Ireland – A framework for Improved Health &amp; Wellbeing 2013-2025</a>				✓
<a href="#">Project Ireland 2040</a>	✓			
<a href="#">National Positive Ageing Strategy</a>				✓
<a href="#">National Social Policy for Ireland 2019-2022</a>				✓
<a href="#">National Traveller and Roma Inclusion Strategy 2017-2021</a>				✓
<a href="#">Public Service Data Strategy 2019-2023</a>				✓
<a href="#">Future Jobs Ireland</a>	✓			
<a href="#">Project 2040 National Development Plan 2018-2027</a>	✓			
<a href="#">Enterprise 2025 Renewed</a>	✓			
<a href="#">Public Service Stability Agreement 2018-2020</a>				✓
<a href="#">Regional Enterprise Strategy 2018-2020</a>	✓			
<a href="#">Sustainable, Inclusive and Empowered Communities 2019-2024 Strategy to Support the Community &amp; Voluntary Sector in Ireland</a>				✓
<a href="#">Wind Energy Development Guidelines</a>			✓	

**Note: Addition of this appendix to adopted plan approved by Elected Members at meeting 11 May 2022.**

# Strategies & Plans influencing Local Government & Our Council Obligations & Activities

Border Midland West Regional Operational Programme 2014 -2020  
Midland Western Regional Assembly Operational Programmes  
Midlands Regional Homeless Strategy  
Public Service Stability Agreement 2018-2020  
Midlands Region Waste Management Plan  
Regional Enterprise Strategy 2018-2020  
Regional Planning Guidelines & Regional Spatial and Economic Strategies  
Midlands Regional Enterprise plan to 2020

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County Longford Arts Development Strategy 2014-2020  
County Longford Child Care Strategic Plan  
County Longford Local Economic & Community Plan 2016-2022  
County Longford Tourism Strategy  
Longford County Council Adopted Budget 2020  
County Longford Age Friendly Strategy 2015-2020  
Longford County Council Fire Service Operations Plan 2011-2015  
County Longford Heritage Plan, 2015-2020  
Local Enterprise Development Plan  
Longford County Council Irish Language Scheme  
Longford County Council Litter Management Plan  
Longford County Council Procurement Plan  
Longford County Council Climate Change Adaptation Strategy  
Longford County Council Occupational Health & Safety Management System  
Longford County Development Plan 2015-2021  
Longford Sports Partnership Strategy 2018-2022  
Longford Libraries and Archives Plan  
Longford Sports Partnership Strategic Plan 2013-2017  
Longford Social Inclusion & Community Activation Programme Annual Plan  
Longford Rural Development Project 2014-2020  
National Implementation Plan 2018 – 2020 – Sustainable Development Goals  
Inter-Cultural Strategic Plan – Longford County Council 2018-2022  
County Longford Diaspora Strategy 2019-2023  
Longford Healthy County Plan 2018-2022  
County Longford Culture and Creativity Plan 2018-2022

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