



## DRAFT CORPORATE PLAN 2013 – 2018

<b>By 2018:</b>	<b>We will do this by:</b>
We Will remain a <b>low tax</b> Council	<p>Cutting Council Tax in 2013-14, keeping Council Tax as low as possible thereafter and increasing our income whilst maintaining or improving our services</p> <p>Continually improving financial management and ensuring the Council remains financially sound, updating and implementing our MTFs and <i>Strategic Solutions</i> workstreams</p> <p>Increasing the emphasis on demonstrable value for money</p>
We will continue to listen and respond to our communities so we stay focused on the delivery of <b>high quality</b> key services that matter	<p>Effectively consulting with our partners and local communities, councils and the voluntary sector to ensure value for money, democracy and localism are at the heart of everything we do</p> <p>Keeping Uttlesford safe</p> <p>Working closely with the Armed Forces at Carver Barracks</p> <p>Focusing on key services that are deliverable so that what we do we do well</p> <p>Promoting equitable, diverse, healthy and safe living and working</p> <p>Setting a high example by exemplary corporate governance and standards</p> <p>Creating a single point of access to services provided by the public and voluntary sectors</p>
We will have shared the benefits of growth with our communities in an <b>responsible</b> way that protects and enhances our environment	<p>Having a robust and relevant Local Plan so we continue to meet local housing needs, especially high quality affordable and local authority housing.</p> <p>Developing sustainable communities by protecting and encouraging local facilities</p> <p>Working closely with Essex CC including to ensure our roads and pavements are maintained to a high standard</p> <p>Delivering on our energy efficiency policies</p> <p>Implementing the Localism Act</p> <p>Improving environmental management and enforcement against planning contraventions and environmental crime</p>
We will have improved <b>prosperity</b>	<p>Enhancing economic prosperity through the West Essex Alliance of local authorities and businesses and working with local businesses to encourage future skills development and growth</p> <p>Promoting our town centres and enhancing car park provision</p> <p>Enhancing our economic development service</p> <p>Working with the owners of Stansted Airport to ensure economic and social benefits that also secure an overall environmental improvement - and maintaining vigilance against a 2<sup>nd</sup> runway</p>

**THE LOW TAX AND HIGH QUALITY COUNCIL**