



Our vision:

Making Uttlesford the best place to live, work and play



Putting residents first

We will: be a council that listens and acts for residents; delivers outstanding levels of transparency and accountability; be responsible with residents' money and mitigate the impact of government cuts

Active place-maker for our towns and villages

We will: masterplan new communities for and with residents; support neighbourhood planning; work with the airport on issues of concern to communities; support employment and retail areas; deliver more affordable homes; promote healthy lifestyles

Progressive custodian

We will: take action on climate change; conserve our natural resources; protect and enhance our rural character and heritage; take strong action on dealing with pollution

Champion for our district

We will: improve Uttlesford's connectivity; support our students, schools and libraries; work with partners to keep the district safe; work to create a better local health service for residents

<https://www.uttlesford.gov.uk/corporate-plan>

Uttlesford District Council's four-year Corporate Plan was first published in its current form in 2020, reflecting the priorities of the council administration elected in May 2019, and setting out the ambitious programme of improved outcomes for local communities on which the council was to focus over coming years. The Corporate Plan was subsequently reviewed in 2021 and again in 2022, with the priorities rolled forward each time. The priorities and the scale of ambition remain consistent and this Delivery Plan underpins those priorities with actions to be delivered during the 2022/23 year.

The Delivery Plan is a one-year document and so is substantially rewritten every year to reflect progress made and to accommodate changing circumstances in the world, not least the Coronavirus pandemic. Progress is reported to Cabinet quarterly, and the Delivery Plan sits alongside the council's wider performance management systems.

It is important to note that the Delivery Plan is not a comprehensive account of everything the council plans to do during the year. Instead, it provides one or more key actions which will contribute towards the delivery of each priority of the Corporate Plan. The Corporate Plan priorities are reproduced in their entirety in the left-hand column of the Delivery Plan and activities, outputs/milestones and resources are then mapped against them. For the most part, the Delivery Plan avoids detailing business as usual activity, except where the priority has already substantially been achieved or where no specific project is planned for the 22/23 year.

There are several key areas of council work which contribute substantially to the Delivery Plan across multiple priorities and even across multiple themes. These include:

The Local Plan

The Economic Development Recovery Plan

The Blueprint Uttlesford transformation programme

The Climate Crisis Strategy and Action Plan

The Planning Review Action Plan

The Corporate Plan and Delivery Plan are supported by a series of Service Plans, prepared at an operational level by each council service area.

A district council has the ability to both lead and serve its community in work to improve lives – this Delivery Plan sets out a substantial breadth and great height of ambition, both for the services directly within its control, and for those of other partner agencies with whom it partners and over whom it has influence.
