Appendix B

County Council Vision

Our Vision is all about improving lives by creating:

• A thriving and productive County that is ambitious, confident and focussed on improving people's lives

• A County of resilient, well-connected and compassionate communities working to reduce inequalities.

• A County where all partners actively work together for the benefit of our residents, communities and businesses and the environment in which we all live.

Strategic Outcomes	**A County Infrastructure that drives productivity, supports economic prosperity and sustainable public services**				**Safe, vibrant and well-balanced communities able to enjoy and benefit from the natural environment**				**Fairer life chances and opportunity for all**				**Improved health and wellbeing and more people living healthy and independent lives for longer**				**Meeting the Council's challenges: sustainability, quality and focus**		
Strategic Risk(s)	ORG0043 / ORG0022 / ORG0002								ORG0009 / ORG0010								ORG0022 / ORG0007 / ORG0042		
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Priorities	Ensure that the Council is financially sustainable and: - Has sustainable services - Makes decisions based on evidence	Enable economic and housing growth by: - Improving transport infrastructure and digital connectivit	Create the climate for enterprise and innovation that businesses need to grow and collaborate	Deliver the Heart of the South West Productivity Strategy and influence the local Industrial Strategy for the benefit of	Support development of stronger communities including working with them to increase their	Work with partners and communities to protect and enhance the environment, manage	Make sure that Somerset remains a safe place to live, work and visit.	Support and promote enjoyment of Somerset's rich heritage, culture and natural environment	Tackle inequalities and poor social mobility across Somerset so everyone can realise their	Maintain the Council's focus and commitment to make Somerset a place where all children are healthy,	Ensure all children in Somerset have access to high quality schools, high quality educational, professional and support services,	Equip Somerset's workforce of the future with the skills they need, and enable them to aspire and	Explore, define and implement robust health and social care integration	Focus efforts on improving health and wellbeing outcomes, especially for those in greatest need.	Foster an environment which promotes healthier choices and supports people to take responsibility for their	Support people to remain independent and within their homes and communities, without formal social care	Our Culture and Approach	A digital and technology enabled council	Effective and resilient delivery