

South Kesteven District Council Corporate Plan 2024-27 Structure Summary					
Vision	A thriving district in which to live, work and visit				
Mission Statement	South Kesteven aims to be a modern and forward-looking Council that delivers effective, efficient and equitable public services to enhance the well-being of our residents, enable prosperity, protect the environment and empower communities for a sustainable future.				
Priorities	Connecting Communities	Sustainable South Kesteven	Enabling Economic Opportunity	Housing	Effective Council
Mission	To enhance the strength, wellbeing, security and capacity of all our communities for a thriving and cohesive society that all our residents are proud to belong to.	To meet the challenge of climate change and ensure a clean, green and healthy natural and built environment for present and future generations.	To enable and support a dynamic, resilient and growing local economy, which benefits all our communities.	To ensure that all residents can access housing which is safe, good quality, sustainable and suitable for their needs and future generations.	To deliver trusted, high quality and value-for-money services that fulfil the needs and expectations of all our residents.
Ambitions	<p>Enable opportunities for increased public engagement to empower and connect our communities.</p> <p>Deliver and facilitate a sustainable leisure and cultural offer.</p> <p>Work in partnership with the voluntary, private and public sectors to enable the delivery of community projects and responsive support services to meet the needs of all our communities.</p> <p>Encourage sport and physical activity to support healthy lifestyles and reduce health inequalities.</p> <p>Celebrate and promote the strong heritage and rich culture of South Kesteven.</p>	<p>Lead by example in reducing our operational carbon footprint by 30% between 2019 and 2030.</p> <p>Lead and champion the local response to climate change with the ambition of a net zero district by 2041.</p> <p>Significantly increase tree planting across the district and manage, care and protect existing tree cover.</p> <p>Ensure the district is always a safe, clean and pleasant place to live, work and visit.</p> <p>Protect and enhance the natural environment and wildlife habitats, working to actively restore and rehabilitate damaged eco-systems.</p> <p>Provide an excellent and value for money waste and recycling collection service.</p>	<p>Work to support businesses to protect existing jobs and create new opportunities for all.</p> <p>Promote the District as an attractive place to visit, work, invest, study and do business.</p> <p>Attract investment to improve infrastructure, support regeneration and drive economic growth.</p> <p>Ensure an adequate supply of suitable land is allocated for commercial use and facilitated through the Local Plan.</p> <p>Maintain and strengthen relationships with the business community to understand and support their needs and aspirations.</p> <p>Develop links with educational institutions to upskill residents to meet the needs of the current and future economy.</p>	<p>Through the Local Plan facilitate a range of appropriate and sustainable housing and community facilities for future generations and the emerging needs of all our communities.</p> <p>Deliver exemplary and high-quality services for housing and homelessness.</p> <p>Engage effectively with our tenants to shape the services we deliver.</p> <p>Increase the supply of sustainable and high-quality Council-provided housing.</p> <p>Work with developers and private landlords to ensure sustainable, affordable and high-quality housing is facilitated.</p>	<p>Provide excellent, value-for-money and financially sustainable services.</p> <p>Manage our resources and assets effectively with open, transparent, and accountable decision making.</p> <p>Actively and effectively engage with and listen to our residents, placing their needs and concerns at the heart of everything we do.</p> <p>Embrace and maximise opportunities for innovation, improvement and securing external funding.</p> <p>Through #TEAMSK retain a highly skilled, empowered, motivated and professional workforce.</p> <p>Uphold a healthy and robust local democracy, where Elected Members champion their wards, communities and the District as a whole.</p>
2034 Outcomes	<p>South Kesteven is a fair and vibrant society, which residents actively shape and are proud to belong to.</p> <p>Inequalities within the District are reduced with pockets of severe deprivation eliminated. No part of the District will rank in the bottom decile for relative deprivation.</p>	<p>Greenhouse gas emissions have been greatly reduced. The district is on target to achieve net zero by 2041. The Council has met or exceeded the interim operational emissions target.</p> <p>Adaptation and resilience to a changing climate is embedded across the organisation.</p> <p>The Climate Action Plan has been delivered.</p> <p>The Council’s waste & recycling collection and environmental services are nationally regarded as exemplary models of delivery.</p>	<p>South Kesteven has a thriving, innovative and diverse economy and is recognised as a great place to live, visit, invest and do business.</p> <p>The District’s economy is growing strongly, increasingly based upon knowledge-intensive services, generating high quality jobs, with productivity levels well above the regional median and wages above the national average.</p>	<p>Housing delivery matches the needs of communities, homes are affordable, private rentals are high quality and homelessness is reduced.</p> <p>The Council’s housing and planning services are nationally regarded as exemplary models of delivery.</p> <p>Housing services are fully compliant with all regulations and best practice. Repairs and complaints are actioned promptly and to a high standard. The Council’s tenants feel their concerns and priorities are recognised and are satisfied with the service provided.</p> <p>Successful delivery of the ongoing new build pipeline continues to contribute towards meeting the housing need in the district.</p>	<p>The Council’s service delivery provides exceptional quality and value for money and is nationally regarded as exemplary in its approach when compared to peer authorities.</p> <p>The Council’s governance offers exceptional quality and assurance and is nationally regarded as an exemplary model in its approach when compared to peer authorities.</p> <p>•The Council’s financial management offers exceptional quality and value for money and nationally regarded as an exemplary model in its approach when compared to peer authorities.</p>
Foundations	Financial Sustainability, Performance Management, Equalities, Corporate Values: Trust, Empowerment, Accountability, Making a Difference, Supportive to All, Kindness				