



Cambridgeshire County Council Policy Framework 2009/10

What is a Policy Framework?

The Local Government Act 2000: Guidance to English Local Authorities sets out the requirements of the Act including the obligation for the adoption or approval of specified plans and strategies of the local authority. The regulations require that key plans and strategies be approved or adopted.



The Regulations also allow local authorities to choose other plans or strategies (statutory or non-statutory), in addition to those listed, to be adopted or approved by the full council.



The Cambridgeshire County Council Policy Framework includes statutory plans and strategies that have to be adopted or approved by full council, as per regulations, as well as other plans that this council has chosen to include as they form an integral part of the decision making process.

Why should we have a policy framework?

The policy framework document is listed in the Council's constitution as part of the framework for Cabinet Decisions.

The responsibility for agreeing the framework lies with the Council and decisions by Cabinet, a committee of the Cabinet, an individual member of the Cabinet, or officers, or area committees must be in accordance with it.

The framework allows the Council to better align policies and strategies with the strategic objectives and helps to create a more robust Integrated Plan.

It serves as a record of Council decisions, and the policies and strategies included within it will shape the future of Cambridgeshire.



Compulsory Policies

Regulations made under the Local Government Act 2000 require certain functions to be undertaken by the Full Council. These include the adoption or approval of specified plans and strategies of the local authority.



The following list includes all the policies that have to be included in the policy framework:

- Sustainable community strategy
- Children and young peoples plan – the Big Plan
- Local transport plan
- Joint municipal waste strategy
- Public library service standards
- Transformation of Adult Social Care strategy
- Youth justice plan
- Crime and disorder reduction strategy
- Older people Strategy
- Supporting People Commissioning Strategy

- East of England Plan – Regional spatial strategy



- The Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Minerals and Waste Development Plan

Additional Policies

The remaining plans and strategies included in the framework document have been chosen as they fit with the Councils Strategic Objectives and are vital to the success of meeting the Councils vision.

The additional policies chosen are as follows:

- Integrated Plan
- Single Equality Strategy
- Enforcement Policy
- Corporate Asset Management Plan
- Strategic Asset Development

Strategy

- Long Term Capital Strategy
- Procurement Strategy
- People Strategy
- Greater Cambridge Sub-regional Economic Strategy
- Climate Change and Environmental Strategy



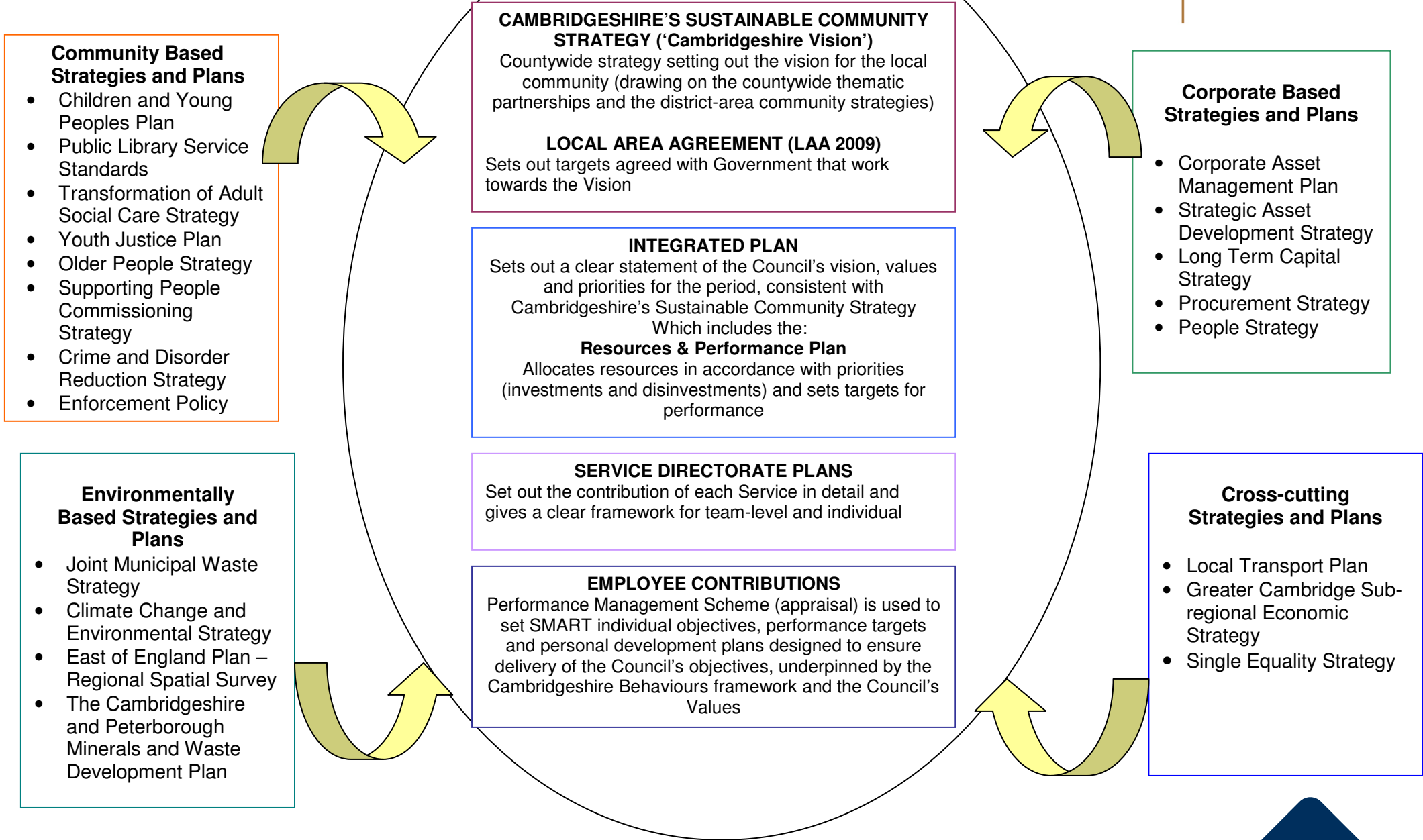
How do the policies and strategies relate to the Council's Strategic Objectives?

The following table shows where each policy or strategy best fits against the Council's Strategic Objectives within the 2009 Integrated Plan

Policy or Strategy	SO1	SO2	SO3	SO4	SO5
Sustainable community strategy – Cambridgeshire Visions	X	X	X	X	X
Children and Young Peoples Plan – The Big Plan	X	X		X	
Local Transport Plan			X		
Joint Municipal waste strategy			X		
Public library service standards			X		
Transformation of Adult Social Care strategy		X			
Youth Justice Plan		X			
Crime and Disorder Reduction strategy	X				
Older People Strategy		X			
Supporting People Commissioning Strategy		X			
East of England Plan – Regional Spatial Strategy			X		
The Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Minerals and Waste Development Plan			X		

Policy or Strategy	SO1	SO2	SO3	SO4	SO5
Integrated Plan	X	X	X	X	X
Single Equality Strategy	X	X	X		
Enforcement Policy	X				
Corporate Asset Management Plan			X		
Strategic Asset Development Strategy			X		
Long Term Capital Strategy			X		
Procurement Strategy				X	
People Strategy				X	
Greater Cambridge Sub-regional Economic Strategy				X	
Climate Change and Environmental Strategy					X

The Corporate Context



The Policy Statements

Sustainable Community Strategy - The Cambridgeshire Vision

Vision: To be a county of strong, growing, prosperous and inclusive communities supported by excellent services where people can fulfil their potential; live longer, healthier lifestyles; and influence decision-making.

Runs: 2007-2021

Refresh due: 2009/10

Location:

<http://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/NR/ronlyres/8707CA50-DEC9-4A7F-87E4-C8C108452C5D/0/CambsVision20072021.pdf>

Children and Young Peoples Plan – The Big Plan

Vision: To ensure that all children and young people in Cambridgeshire achieve their full potential

Runs: 2009-2012

Refresh due: 2012

Location:

<http://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/NR/ronlyres/E676089C-DB1E-4167-903C-18293678A5C5/0/BigPlan2V6.pdf>

Local Transport Plan

Vision: An inclusive and integrated transport system that enhances and sustains economic vitality and cultural and environmental diversity in the County.

Runs: 2006-2011

Refresh due: 2011

Location:

http://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/transport/strategies/local/ltp_2006.htm

The Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Minerals and Waste Development Plan (includes Joint Municipal Waste Strategy)

Vision: To work closely with the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Joint Waste Management Partnership to achieve more sustainable waste management and the more productive use of resources, for the benefit of householders in the area.

Runs: 2002-2022

Refresh due: Annually

Location:

<http://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/environment/planning/mineralswasteplan/preferredoptions1/mineralsandwastedevelopmentplan.htm>

Public Library Service Standards

Vision: To provide a library service which enables individuals and communities to enhance their quality of life and achieve their potential, by opening up the world of information and knowledge, learning and ideas, imagination and reading for pleasure.

Runs: Ongoing

Refresh due: Not Specified

Location: Not Specified

Transformation of Adult Social Care Strategy

Vision: *Adult social care works to implement the council's vision of 'creating communities where people want to live and work now and in the future'*

Runs:

Refresh due:

Location:

Youth Justice Plan

Vision: *To prevent offending by children and young people.*

Runs: 2009-2010

Refresh due: Annually

Location: Not specified

Crime and Disorder Reduction Strategy

Vision: *Working together for a safer Cambridgeshire*

Runs: 2008-2011

Refresh due: Not Specified

Location:

[http://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/policing/crime/Crimereducti
on.htm](http://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/policing/crime/Crimereducti
on.htm)

Older People Strategy

Vision: *To enable older people to remain healthy, happy and active and to continue to make a positive contribution to society for as long as possible.*

Runs: 2008-2011

Refresh due: Not Specified

Location:

[http://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/social/older/Olderpeoplesst
rategy.htm](http://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/social/older/Olderpeoplesst
rategy.htm)

Supporting People Commissioning Strategy

Vision: *To improve the quality of life and well-being by ensuring housing and housing support is available that reduces risk and enables vulnerable people to live as full a life as possible*

Runs: 2008-2010

Refresh due: 2010

Location:

[http://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/social/supportingpeople/sc
hsupstratrevs.htm](http://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/social/supportingpeople/sc
hsupstratrevs.htm)

East of England Plan – Regional Spatial Strategy

Vision: *By 2021 the East of England will be realising its economic potential and providing a high quality of life for its people, including by meeting their housing needs in sustainable inclusive communities. At the same time it will reduce its impact on climate change and the environment, including through savings in energy and water use and by strengthening its stock of environmental assets.*

Runs: Until 2021

Refresh due: Not Specified

Location: Not Specified

Integrated Plan

Vision: *to create communities where people want to live and work, now and in the future.*

Runs: 2009-2010
Refresh due: Annually
Location:
<http://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/council/policies/integratedplanandpolicyframework.htm>

Single Equality Strategy

Vision: *We want to create communities where people want to live and work, now and in the future.*

Runs: 2009-2012
Refresh due: Annually
Location:
<http://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/council/policies/equality/Single+Equality+Strategy.htm>

Enforcement Policy

Vision: *To deliver advice, inspection, action, instruction or warning, caution or prosecution to a person or organisation who is or is believed to be acting unlawfully.*

Runs: Ongoing
Refresh due: Not Specified
Location:
<http://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/business/trading/information/enforcement/>

Corporate Asset Management Plan

Vision: *The Corporate Asset Management Plan is aimed at meeting the growing need for schools, libraries, waste management, transport and other infrastructure.*
Runs: 2006-2011

Refresh due: Annually
Location:
<http://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/NR/rdonlyres/F87A36BC-8CF7-47F2-B5F0-3CFD68E20F22/0/060811RefreshCorpAMP20062011.pdf>

Strategic Asset Development Policy

Vision: *Strategic asset management is the activity that seeks to align the asset base with the organisation's corporate goals and objectives. It ensures that the land and buildings asset base of an organisation is optimally structured in the best corporate interest of the organisation concerned*

Runs: 2005-2016
Refresh due: Not specified
Location:
<http://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/council/property/estate/>

Long Term Capital Strategy

Vision: *The County councils land and build assets are a corporate resource that must be actively managed and exploited to release value for re-investment in essential infrastructure.*

Runs: 2005-2016
Refresh due: Annually
Location:
<http://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/NR/rdonlyres/2773F0B4-911E-4697-9F39-9DB9AB9E3C9C/0/060802LongTermCapitalStrategyto2016publishedversionbinder.pdf>

Procurement Strategy

Vision: *To secure demonstrable value for money from the contracts we let, supporting delivery of innovative, cost effective and high quality services to the people of Cambridgeshire, meeting the highest standards of legal and procurement practice and undertaking such activities in the most efficient manner possible.*

Runs: 2007-2012

Refresh due: Not specified

Location:

<http://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/NR/ronlyres/60A0E84C-A60B-4057-B6BF-4538DFD4EC68/0/ProcStr05.pdf>

People Strategy

Vision: *To recruit, retain, reward, recognise and develop the right people, with the right skills, at the right time to deliver the vision for Cambridgeshire.*

Runs: To 2010

Refresh due: Annually

Location:

<http://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/NR/ronlyres/D116A556-7C1F-435E-9295-32F20761BFC5/0/PeopleStrategyfinalallowres.pdf>

Greater Cambridge Sub-regional Economic Strategy

Vision: *Greater Cambridge should be a world leader in the knowledge-based economy that combines business success with a high quality of life for all.*

Runs: 2009-2012

Refresh due: Annually

Location: <http://www.gcp.uk.net/strategy-investment.php>

Climate Change and Environmental Strategy

Vision: *To work with organisations throughout the County to tackle climate change, improve the quality of life of all the people of Cambridgeshire, and to achieve environmentally sustainable development.*

Runs: 2008-2021

Refresh due: 2010

Location:

<http://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/environment/policy/>