## **COMMUNICATIONS STRATEGY**

**EXECUTIVE MEMBER:** Cllr Norman Williams

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**Summary:** This report presents Copeland Borough Council's Communications

Strategy, which outlines how and why Copeland Borough Council will communicate, and what role officers and members are expected to

play.

**Recommendation:** 1. That the attached Communications Strategy be noted and approved.

Impact on Delivering Corporate Objectives

Improved communications will lead to improved customer satisfaction.

Impact on other Statutory

**Objectives** 

None

Financial and Human Resource Implications:

None

### **Key Decision Status**

- Financial: None- Ward: None

Other Ward Implications: None

### 1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 Copeland Borough Council undertook Communications Best Value Review in 2004/05. That review recommended that a communications strategy be formulated and adopted by the council. THE CPA also identified communications as a crucial area for improvement. The Communications Manager has devised a communications strategy in line with Communications BVR recommendations

### 2. CONCLUSIONS

2.1 Executive is asked to approve the Communications Strategy. The strategy will lead to significant improvements in the council's communications activity and have a positive impact on customer satisfaction levels.

#### **List of Appendices**

Appendix A – Communications Strategy

# **List of Background Documents:**

**List of Consultees:** 

CT, OSCPR, MT