

**Committee Name and Date of Committee Meeting**

Council – 11<sup>th</sup> November, 2020

**Report Title**

Recommendation from Cabinet – The new Library Strategy 2021 – 2026 and Action Plan for the Libraries and Neighbourhood Hubs Service

**Is this a Key Decision and has it been included on the Forward Plan?**

Yes

**Strategic Director Approving Submission of the Report**

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**Ward(s) Affected**

Borough-wide

**Summary**

At its meeting on 19<sup>th</sup> October, 2020, the Cabinet considered a report in respect of the new Library Strategy 2021 – 2026 and Action Plan for the Libraries and Neighbourhood Hubs Service.

The original report provided detail to the proposals, which is appended in order to provide Members with sufficient knowledge to agree the proposals.

In order to give effect to the recommendations from Cabinet, consideration and approval by Council must be given to the recommendation set out below.

**Recommendations**

1. Approve the final version of the Library Strategy 2021 – 2026 and associated service offer.

**List of Appendices Included**

Appendix A Original Report submitted to Cabinet on 19<sup>th</sup> October, 2020

Appendix 1 Rotherham Library Strategy 2021-2026

Appendix 2 Public consultation and engagement on the future of Rotherham Libraries and proposed changes to Brinsworth Library analysis report 2020

Appendix 3 Equality Screening Assessment and Analysis for the Library Strategy

Appendix 4 Action Plan for Rotherham Libraries and Neighbourhood Hubs 2020 - 2022

**Background Papers**

Consultation on a New Library Strategy 2020 – 2025 Cabinet Report– 20 May 2019

Consultation and engagement on a Library Strategy and future service delivery model Cabinet Report – 20 January 2020

**Consideration by any other Council Committee, Scrutiny or Advisory Panel**

Overview and Scrutiny Management Board – 14 October 2020

Cabinet – 19<sup>th</sup> October, 2020

**Council Approval Required**

Yes

**Exempt from the Press and Public**

No