HUNTINGDONSHIRE SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITY STRATEGY (Report by Head of Policy and Strategic Services)

1. INTRODUCTION

The purpose of this report is to seek the Cabinets endorsement of the Sustainable Community Strategy for Huntingdonshire (SCS) prior to submission to the Council

2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1 The District Council has a statutory duty to work with partner organisations to produce a SCS for Huntingdonshire; a plan that sets out how the providers of local services including the business and voluntary sectors will work together to improve the economic, social and environmental well being of the area.
- 2.2 At the meetings held on 4 October 2007 and 26 June 2008, the Cabinet considered the draft (SCS). The vision, outcomes and objectives set out in the SCS have been developed in conjunction with partners and have been endorsed by the Huntingdonshire Strategic Partnership (HSP) Board. Appended to this report is the final SCS.
- 2.3 The SCS is supported by a series of shorter term delivery plans which have been reviewed by the Overview and Scrutiny Panels. These plans will form the basis of regular performance monitoring to ensure that the Council and our partners are working towards the achievement of the plans and objectives. The SCS itself will be reviewed every three years. The achievement of delivery plans will be subject to a quarterly/annual cycle of review.

3. PUBLICATION

It is proposed that the attached SCS appended to this report will be published in the Autumn.

4. **RECOMMENDATION**

That the Cabinet are requested to review the Huntingdonshire Sustainable Community Strategy prior to its adoption and publication by the Council.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Key corporate strategies of all partner organisations Huntingdonshire Community Strategy 2004 Local Government White Paper, 'Strong and Prosperous Communities'

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