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<p>Capacity to the Democratic Leadership</p>	<p>Local councils are politically and democratically led organisations with their mandates supported and endorsed via local elections. Ensuring sufficient capacity exists within an organisation to deliver the policy pledges and commitments made to the electorate underpins the trust relationship and foundations of the democratic process.</p>	<p>5</p>
<p>Partnerships of Place</p>	<p>The operating environment for local government has significantly changed and evolved since 2010. To achieve improved outcomes for local communities and places requires local government to work effectively with a range of partners in the public, private and third sectors in a complex partnership place based environment.</p>	<p>4</p>
<p>Places & Communities</p>	<p>COVID-19 has highlighted the critical importance of local government to their places and communities and the deep connections of understanding and relationship that are required to ensure community cohesion, resilience and community identity is nurtured, developed and supported at a local level.</p>	<p>4</p>
<p>National Policies</p>	<p>Local Government exists in a centralised policy environment and thus should best position itself to respond to the new policy direction of any elected Government for the improved outcomes for its communities whilst being able to shape, influence and deliver the local policy agenda for the communities it serves.</p>	<p>2</p>

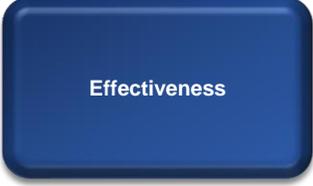
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 <p>Ambition</p>	<p>The scale and appetite of ambition is set by the political leadership of the Council and is reflected in the priorities of the Corporate Plan. The scale of ambition determines both the strategic capacity and strategic structure of the organisation ensuring the organisation is in tune with and can deliver the ambition of its politicians.</p>	 <p>5</p>	
 <p>Efficiency</p>	<p>Value for money remains a key determinant of resident satisfaction and therefore the relationship between the local taxpayer who pays and the Council who provides the services they receive remains as important today as it always has.</p>	 <p>4</p>	
 <p>Effectiveness</p>	<p>To remain agile and responsive to the modern day demands of local government requires organisations to innovate and transform at ever increasing pace and scale. This requires both a pragmatic and long term focus on the design, development and implementation of the organisation’s target operating model (TOM).</p>	 <p>3</p>	
 <p>Opportunity</p>	<p>The Local Government Sector is full of talented and skilled politicians and officers alike. To be an attractive employer in a competitive market requires an organisation to be focussed on the opportunity it can offer to and provide its workforce. Excellent councils are where officers and members work together with mutual trust and confidence.</p>	 <p>3</p>	