

UNIVERSITY COUNCIL  
PLANNING AND PRIORITIES COMMITTEE  
REQUEST FOR INPUT

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**PRESENTED BY:** Dirk de Boer, chair, planning and priorities committee

**DATE OF MEETING:** June 22, 2017

**SUBJECT:** **University Integrated Plan**

**COUNCIL ACTION:** For input only

**DISCUSSION SUMMARY:**

The planning and priorities committee has been involved in the development of the university's fourth integrated plan throughout this past year and received a draft version of the plan at its meeting on June 7, 2017. Prior to this meeting, the committee had several discussions on the possible goals and objectives of the plan and the plan template, and provided feedback and direction. The committee chair is also a member of the *ad hoc* planning advisory group constituted to advise the provost and vice-president academic and associate provost, Institutional Planning and Assessment, as the plan is developed.

The four themes of "connectivity, sustainability, diversity, and creativity" are drawn from the *Vision, Mission, and Values* document, and inform the strategies and goals of the plan. There are six goals: "contribute to a sustainable future; prepare our students to be engaged global citizens in tomorrow's world; serve the public good; connect and engage our local and global community; partner in reconciliation; and creatively embrace change.

There is a natural continuity from the university's previous integrated plans to the fourth integrated plan that reflects the past, the present, and the future of the institution. At this point, the time period of the plan, and whether it will be a four-year or five-year plan or some other time period, has not yet been set. The plan departs from previous integrated plans in adopting a more visual approach that highlights specific objectives within the thematic areas. Key measures are being developed to measure progress against the goals and objectives of the plan, but these will be kept in a document separate from the plan.

The plan is intended to be submitted to Council, Senate, and the Board of Governors for approval in October, 2017. Comments and feedback on the draft integrated plan are invited from members of Council and may be submitted to Dirk de Boer at [dirk.deboer@usask.ca](mailto:dirk.deboer@usask.ca)

The planning and priorities committee will share and discuss the input received with the provost and vice-president academic and members of the Institutional Planning and Assessment Office in September.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

1. Institutional Planning Update
2. *Taking Our Place* - draft version of the university integrated plan