

WYRE FOREST DISTRICT COUNCIL

CABINET MEETING
THURSDAY 27 JULY 2006

IMPROVEMENT PLAN: 2005-2008

OPEN	
COMMUNITY STRATEGY THEME	(Internal Organisational Theme)
CORPORATE PLAN THEME:	Improving Corporacy & Performance
KEY PRIORITIES:	Organisational Performance
CABINET MEMBER:	Councillor J-P Campion
RESPONSIBLE OFFICERS:	Chief Executive
CONTACT OFFICER:	Corporate Performance Advisor (ext 2723)
APPENDICES	Appendix 1: Improvement Plan Appendix 2: 2005/06 Progress Report Appendix 3: 2006/07 Targets The Appendices to this report are available electronically. (See front cover of agenda for details).

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 To report on the first year's (2005/06) progress with implementing the Council's three-year Improvement Plan and to highlight action to be taken during the second year (2006/07).

2. RECOMMENDATION

The Cabinet is asked to **DECIDE** that:

- 2.1 The progress in meeting targets for year 1 (2005/06) in Appendix 2 be noted; and
- 2.2 The targets for year 2 (2006/07) in the updated Improvement Plan in Appendix 3 be agreed.

3. BACKGROUND

- 3.1 One of the requirements of Comprehensive Performance Assessment (CPA) was the production by Councils of an Improvement Plan to address the issues highlighted by

the CPA process. This Council's Improvement Plan was agreed in April 2005 and is included as **Appendix 1** to this report.

3.2 The Plan covers a three-year period (2005-08) and is set out under the following themed headings:

- Social Inclusion
- Performance Management
- Capacity
- Value for Money
- Communication

3.3 Targets were set for the first year (2005/06), to be reviewed at the end of that year before agreeing targets for the second year.

3.4 Progress has been reported during the year as follows:

Cabinet	Cabinet Scrutiny Committee
12 September 2005	14 September 2005
21 October 2005	
9 January 2006	18 January 2006
10 April 2006	

3.5 In addition, the above reports were also supplied to our Audit Commission Relationship Manager for inclusion in the Direction of Travel Statement, which formed part of the recent Audit & Inspection Plan (reported to Cabinet in April 2006).

4. KEY ISSUES

4.1 Progress with targets for 2005/06 is summarised in Appendix 2 to this report and new targets for 2006/07 are set out in Appendix 3.

5. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

5.1 There are no direct financial implications arising from this report.

6. LEGAL AND POLICY IMPLICATIONS

6.1 There are no legal implications.

7. RISK MANAGEMENT

7.1 The Improvement Plan reflects the Council's priorities for improvement following CPA. Failure to make progress with these targets would adversely affect both service delivery and the statutory Direction of Travel Statement.

8. CONCLUSION

8.1 While good progress has been made overall, the summary highlights areas where further progress is to be made with improvement projects. The new targets for 2006/07 will help to maintain the momentum created following CPA in 2005.

9. CONSULTEES

9.1 Corporate Management Team

10. BACKGROUND PAPERS

10.1 CPA Report (*Audit Commission, 2004*)