



Corporate Resources Scrutiny Committee

Briefing Paper

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Corporate Plan Priorities and Performance Indicators for 2009/10

1. Summary

- 1.1 To inform the Committee of the Corporate Plan Priority targets for 2009/10 and the National and local performance indicators which will be monitored during 2009/10.

2. Background

- 2.1 A new Corporate Plan was adopted by Full Council on 14 May 2008. The Plan includes four Priorities for improvement to help focus our activity and allocation of resources. These are:
- More affordable housing
 - Reducing waste to landfill & increasing recycling
 - District-wide regeneration
 - Improving efficiency & value for money
- 2.2 Each year a number of targets are set to monitor progress against the four Corporate Plan Priorities. These are set out in **Appendix 1 (to follow)**.
- 2.3 Following the Comprehensive Spending Review 2007, a set of 198 National Indicators (NIs) were introduced as part of the Government's new Performance Framework for Local Government, Comprehensive Area Assessment.
- 2.4 The NIs came into force on 1 April 2008 and replaced the previous Best Value Performance Indicators. NIs are the only measures on which central Government will performance manage outcomes delivered by local government working alone or in partnership.

- 2.5 NIs are reported at a "spatial level", i.e. a geographical area, for example County-wide or District-wide. The performance of district councils is only reported for those indicators which are defined at the district spatial level. These indicators may however be produced by organisations other than the Council, e.g. the police or Environment Agency. District spatial level indicators are shown in the **Appendix 2 (to follow)**.
- 2.6 In addition to NIs, the Council also collects local performance indicators (LPIs) which are set by each Directorate to measure the performance of their services. These are also shown in **Appendix 2 (to follow)**.

3. Key Issues

- 3.1 Progress against the Corporate Plan Priorities will be collated monthly, and NIs and LPIs quarterly where applicable, by Directorates. This information will be reported to bi-monthly Corporate Performance Clinics.
- 3.2 Minutes of the Corporate Performance Clinics and resulting Action / Improvement Plans will be tabled to Cabinet.
- 3.3 Quarterly 'Exception' (underperformance) and 'Highlight' (performance has been reached or exceeded) reports will be tabled at this Committee.

4. Options

- 4.1 That the Corporate Plan Priorities, NIs and LPIs for 2009/10 be noted.
- 4.2 That the effectiveness of Exception and Highlight reporting from the Corporate Performance Clinics to this Committee be reviewed in March 2010.

5. Relevant Council Policies/Strategies

- 5.1 Wyre Forest District Council's Corporate Plan 2008 – 2011
- 5.2 Corporate Performance Clinic Terms of Reference

6. Appendices

- 6.1 Appendix 1 - Corporate Plan Priority Targets for 2009/10
- 6.2 Appendix 2 – National Indicators and Local Performance Indicators for 2009/10

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