

WYRE FOREST DISTRICT COUNCIL

CABINET MEETING
20TH JULY 2010

Annual Report 2009/10

OPEN	
SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITY STRATEGY THEME:	n/a
CORPORATE PLAN AIM:	A Well Run & Responsive Council
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APPENDICES:	Appendix 1 - Annual Report 2009/10 <i>The appendix to this report has been circulated electronically and a public inspection copy is available on request. (See front cover for details).</i>

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 To report the Council's end-of year performance for 2009/10 with regards to Corporate Plan Priorities, National and Local Performance Indicators and achievements in the form of an Annual Report.

2. RECOMMENDATION

The Cabinet is asked to RECOMMEND to Council that:

- 2.1 **The annual report 2009/10 be approved, with the good progress noted in achieving more affordable housing, new arrangements for collecting garden waste and recycling, the launch of the Rewyre prospectus for economic regeneration and the achievement of significant savings.**

3. BACKGROUND

- 3.1 The Local Government Act 1999 required Councils to produce and publish an annual Best Value Performance Plan by 30 June to report performance primarily against the Best Value Performance Indicators.
- 3.2 This statutory requirement ceased with the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007, however the Council continues to annually publish performance internally and externally in the form of an Annual Report in line with the Performance Management Framework. The majority of other authorities have also continued to produce Annual Reports including all other District Councils in the County.

3.3 The Annual Report focuses on the Corporate Plan Priorities 2009/10, both raising awareness of the priorities and keeping Members and the public informed about outcomes and progress made against them. It also provides feedback to our employees.

4. KEY ISSUES

4.1 The Annual Report provides a summary of performance and progress made by the Council in 2009/10 under the following headings:

- Our Aims & Priorities for 2009/10
 - More affordable housing
 - Reducing waste to landfill & increasing recycling
 - District-wide regeneration
 - Improving efficiency & value for money
- Other Achievements
- Performance Summary
 - Performance Indicators
 - Inspections & Assessments
- Budget Summary

4.2 The new Government announced in May 2010 that Comprehensive Areas Assessments was to be abolished with immediate effect. As a result the majority of annual assessment activities referred to in pages 16 – 17 of the Annual Report, will no longer be undertaken.

4.3 The Annual Report will be published on the Council's website once approved. Full details of the all performance data will be provided as Appendices however these are not included in the main report due to size.

5. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

5.1 No direct financial implication from this report.

6. LEGAL AND POLICY IMPLICATIONS

6.1 No direct legal and policy implication from this report.

7. EQUALITY IMPACT NEEDS ASSESSMENT

7.1 Equality Impact Assessments for the service areas referred to in the Annual Report are undertaken by the responsible Directorate.

8. RISK MANAGEMENT

8.1 Risks associated with the services areas referred to in the Annual Report will have been assessed and logged in the Business Plans by the responsible Directorate.

9. CONCLUSION

- 9.1 The Council has made good progress in 2009/10 with the annual priorities and a number of performance indicators given the continued budgetary pressures experienced by the authority. In additions, non-priority service areas have achieved a great deal over the year. However, it is recognised that there are a number of areas where improvements need to be made in the future and this performance information will be fed into the development process for the next Corporate Plan.

10. CONSULTEES

- 10.1 Corporate Management Team

11. BACKGROUND PAPERS

- 11.1 Wyre Forest District Council Corporate Plan (2009/10 version)