

REPORT OF THE HEAD OF GOVERNANCE

PORTFOLIO HOLDER FOR CORPORATE PERFORMANCE AND HUMAN RESOURCES

NON-KEY DECISION

BUDGET/POLICY FRAMEWORK

CABINET – 4 JUNE 2007

SCRUTINY (POLICY AND PERFORMANCE) COMMITTEE – 25 JUNE 2007

GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE – 28 JUNE 2007

BEST VALUE PERFORMANCE PLAN 2007/2008

Recommendation

<p><i>That the Council approve the Council's annual Performance Plan 2007/08, as attached.</i></p>
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Contact Officers: Colin Cook, extension 2118 and Mandy Weir, extension 2318.

Reasons why a decision is required

1. The Local Government Act 1999 requires this Council to prepare and publish a Best Value Performance Plan, which is in essence an amalgamation of performance information reported throughout the previous year (2006/7) and targets reported in the early part of the current year (2007/8). The plan aims to:
 - Summarise the Council's assessment of its performance and position in relation to its statutory duty to make arrangements to secure continuous improvement to the way in which its functions are exercised, having regard to a combination of economy, efficiency and effectiveness;
 - Report on progress towards targets in the Corporate Plan and other relevant strategies and initiatives;
 - Highlight areas of future work and targets to be met;
 - Provide a full list of National and Local Performance Indicators - included in the Plan; and
 - Enable the public to transparently hold the Council to account
2. A Summary of the Performance Plan was produced and published on 31 March 2007. The full Plan is to be published by the statutory deadline of 30 June 2007.
3. Subsequent to the publication of the full performance plan the Audit Commission will undertake an audit of the Performance Plan.
4. The Plan will be electronically produced in colour and placed on our Website, limited numbers paper versions will be available. As with last year, all partners and stakeholders will be informed of the Plan's e-availability, with hard copies and audio copies produced on request.

Resource Implications

None.

Impact on Corporate Objectives

The Performance Plan clearly sets out the Council's Corporate Objectives, as contained in the Corporate Plan.

Attachments

Performance Plan 2007/2008 (circulated separately)

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