Subject: PERFORMANCE REPORT – QUARTER 3, 2017/18

Meeting and Date: Cabinet – 5 February 2018

Scrutiny (Policy and Performance) Committee - 27 February

2018

Report of: David Randall, Director of Governance

Portfolio Holder: Councillor Mike Conolly, Portfolio Holder for Corporate

**Resources and Performance** 

Decision Type: Non-Key Decision

Classification: Unrestricted

**Purpose of the report:** To monitor performance against key objectives

**Recommendation:** The Council's Performance Report and Actions for the 3rd Quarter

2017/18 be noted

## 1. Summary

The Council's Performance Report for the 3rd Quarter 2017/18 reports on performance against key performance targets throughout the Council, East Kent Shared Services and East Kent Housing during the third quarter. It incorporates comments from each Director on performance within their directorate plus any key initiatives and concerns they may have.

## 2. Introduction and Background

- 2.1 Monitoring of performance against key targets is key to the achievement of the Council's aims and objectives. The Performance Report provides a summary of the Councils key performance figures for the 9 months to 31 December 2017.
- 2.2 The Performance Report contains information relating to the performance of the Council against key corporate indicators and considers the performance of a range of indicators against previous year's performance.
- 2.3 The Performance Report identifies areas where performance is on track throughout the third quarter of 2017/18, whilst recognising the need for further improvements in some areas. Each Director provides additional commentary focusing on areas of high or low performance.
- 2.4 Homelessness remains under pressure with a continued high level of presentations and limited viability of accommodation. Although steps are being taken to address this, firstly by strengthening the team to provide additional resource to work to avoid homelessness where possible, and secondly to increase the stock of properties within the HRA, particularly those that can be used to provide interim accommodation. The number of households currently staying in temporary accommodation remains high at 97, but this is a slight reduction on the previous quarter.

- 2.5 The percentage of Council Tax collected during the year is fractionally lower than during the same quarter for the previous year, however the actual amount collected in monetary terms is considerably more.
- 2.6 A section is included to show performance within the Shared Services against key indicators. A more comprehensive set of indicators for EK Services and East Kent Housing are monitored through the monitoring structures established by the Agreements under which those services are delivered, with any areas of significant concern being capable of escalation into this quarterly monitoring report, if required.
- 3. Identification of Options
- 3.1 Not applicable.
- 4. Resource Implications
- 4.1 None.
- 5. Corporate Implications
- 5.1 Comment from the Section 151 Officer: The Director of Finance, Housing and Community has been consulted in the preparation of this report and has no additional comments to add (HL)
- 5.2 Comment from the Solicitor to the Council: The Solicitor to the Council has been consulted in the preparation of this report and has no further comments to make
- 5.3 Comment from the Equalities Officer: This report does not specifically highlight any equalities implications, however in discharging their responsibilities members are required to comply with the public sector duty as set out in section 149 of the Equality Act 2010 <a href="https://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2010/15">https://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2010/15</a>
- 6. Appendices

Appendix 1 – Q3 Performance Report

7. Background Papers

None.

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