

Meeting of the Cabinet - 19th March, 2008

Report of the Chief Executive

Quarterly Corporate Performance Management Report

Purpose of Report

1. To present the third Quarterly Corporate Performance Management Report for 2007/08, relating to performance for the period 1st October to 31st December 2007.

Background

2. The over-riding purpose of the Quarterly Corporate Performance Management Report is to provide the Cabinet with a regular update on the management of services and performance levels being achieved within the Council, across the six Council Plan themes.
3. Prior to submission to Cabinet the report is scrutinised by the Cabinet Member Sub Group on Performance Management. This group has been meeting since the first quarter of 2005/06 and commissions more detailed exception reporting on any identified underperforming areas. A Quarterly Corporate Performance Summary is then produced from the group's discussions and circulated to all Members.
4. The report contains the following sections:

Section 1 a brief introduction.

Section 2 an overview of the Best Value performance indicators where Dudley's 2006/07 results placed us in the top and bottom quartiles nationally.

Section 3 a performance summary and overview of the key achievements and issues affecting Dudley MBC during the third quarter of 2007/08.

Section 4 progress on the key performance indicators, critical success factors and risks included in the Council Action Plan 2010.

Section 5 performance of the Local Area Agreement performance indicators with stretch targets.

Section 6 a current financial statement.

Section 7 an overall picture of developments within the Council's partnership working.

Section 8 information relating to the Council's current high net risks.

Section 9 directorate reporting on key issues impacting upon Directorate Strategic Plan delivery; exception reporting on other performance indicators monitored by the directorates; and any other key issues.

Appendix 1 a summary of the Key Performance Indicators for each Council Plan theme.

Appendix 2 an example of the Risk Assurance Protocol that is signed off by Directors on a quarterly basis following the review of their Directorate's risks and mitigating actions.

Finance

5. There are no direct financial implications

Law

6. The Quarterly Corporate Performance Management Report will significantly contribute towards delivery of the framework for performance assessment as outlined in the Local Government White Paper 2000 "*Strong Leadership, Quality Public Services*".

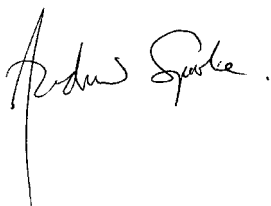
Equality Impact

7. There are no special considerations to be made with regard to equality and diversity in noting and receiving this report.

The Quarterly Corporate Performance Management Report includes details of the performance of the Council Plan strategic objectives and priorities for children and young people.

Recommendation

8. It is recommended that:-
 - The Cabinet receives the Quarterly Corporate Performance Management Report and approves its content.
 - The information contained within the Quarterly Corporate Performance Management Report be referred to Select Committees to consider specific issues within their terms of reference.



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Chief Executive