

Select Committee on Children's Services – 19th June, 2008

Report of the Lead Officer to the Committee

Quarterly Corporate Performance Management Report

Purpose of Report

1. To review and scrutinise the performance of the Council in relation to the activities relating to the terms of reference of this Committee for the fourth quarter of 2007/2008.

Background

2. The Quarterly Corporate Performance Report for the third quarter of 2007/08 is to be submitted to the meeting of the Cabinet to be held on 11th June, 2008.
3. The Quarterly Corporate Performance Report comprises the sections set out below. The issues from the sections relevant to the terms of reference of this Committee have been extracted and are set out in the document circulated separately with the agenda.

Section 1	–	Introduction
Section 2	–	National Indicators for Local Authorities and Local Authority Partnerships
Section 3	–	Performance Summary
Section 4	–	Reporting on Council Plan Priorities
Section 5	–	Local Area Agreement Performance Indicators
Section 6	–	Value for Money Profiles Update
Section 7	-	Partnership Working Progress Report
Section 8	-	Current High Net Risks
Section 9	-	Directorate Reporting

(Section 8: Current High Net Risks – not included as none relate to this Select Committee)

4. The current position regarding the placement of Looked After Children is attached as Appendix 2.
5. In accordance with Article 6 of Part 2 of the Constitution, the Committee is invited to review and scrutinise Council performance in respect of these issues, insofar as they relate to the functions and responsibilities of the Council under the Children Act, 2004 and associated regulations and guidance, including the roles and responsibilities of relevant parties and linking to and involving children, with the

objective of improving the wellbeing of all children in the council's area, by development of the 'Every Child Matters' outcomes.

6. The full Quarterly Corporate Management Performance Report is available on CMIS (please refer to the reports to the meeting of the Cabinet to be held on 11th June, 2008).

Finance

7. Unless any particular issues emerge, there are no direct financial implications.

Law

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

Equality Impact

9. Unless any particular issues emerge, there are no special considerations to be made with regard to equality and diversity relating to this report. Children and young people have not been involved in the preparation of this report.

Recommendation

10. That the Committee review and scrutinise the performance of the Council in respect of the matters under the responsibility of the Select Committee on Children's Services as indicated in the extracts from the Quarterly Corporate Performance Management Report to be submitted to the Cabinet on 11th June, 2008 and in Appendix 2 to this report.



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Background Papers

Statistical information contained in the report to the Cabinet on 11th June, 2008.