DUDLEY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

MEETING OF THE CABINET 20TH APRIL 2005

REPORT OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE

COUNCIL PLAN 2005/06

1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

To seek the approval of the Cabinet for the 2005/06 Council Plan priorities.

2.0 BACKGROUND

The 2005/06 Council Plan is the fourth council plan produced by Dudley Metropolitan Borough Council. The plan provides details of the key corporate objectives to be achieved by the authority over the coming year, linking and supporting council activity within one coherent document.

3.0 COUNCIL PLAN

The primary purpose of the draft document is to illustrate and prioritise the key outcomes the authority is working towards as identified by the council. The outcomes represent the range of issues the council values highly. The document sets a focus for organisational priorities for the current year and a context for Elected Member review of performance.

The document is supported by a detailed action plan. The action plan explains more specifically how the outcomes will be realised and is accompanied by milestones and targets to ensure the authority succeeds in meeting its priorities. Progress against these milestones and targets will be monitored through quarterly performance reports to the Cabinet and Corporate Board.

4.0 PROPOSAL

The Cabinet are asked to comment on and approve the proposed Council Plan.

5.0 FINANCE

There are no financial implications associated with this report.

6.0 LEGAL

Under Section 111 of the Local Government Act 1972, the Council is empowered to do anything which is calculated to facilitate, or is conducive or incidental to the discharge of its functions.

7.0 EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES

The Council Plan includes forthcoming council equal opportunity activities and reflects the Councils Equal Opportunities Policy.

8.0 RECOMMENDATION

To approve the proposal in section 4.

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