

Select Committee on Children's Services – 15th September, 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 first quarter of 2008/2009.

Background

2. The Quarterly Corporate Performance Report for the third quarter of 2008/09 is to be submitted to the meeting of the Cabinet to be held on 10th September, 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	–	Review of Best Value Performance 2007/08
Section 3	–	Performance Summary Quarter 1 2008/09
Section 4	–	Reporting on Council Plan Priorities
Section 5	–	Local Public Sector Agreement Stretch Targets
Section 6	–	Value for Money Profiles Update
Section 7	-	Partnership Working Progress Report
Section 8	-	Workforce Profile and Sickness Absence
Section 9	-	Directorate Reporting

4. 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.
5. 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 10th September, 2008).

Finance

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

Law

7. 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

8. 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

9. 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 10th September, 2008.



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Background Papers

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