

Select Committee on Children's Services – 17th September 2007

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 2007/2008.

Background

2. The Quarterly Corporate Performance Report for the first quarter of 2007/08 will be submitted to the meeting of the Cabinet to be held on 12th September, 2007.
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 as attached to this report as appendix 1:

Section 1	–	Introduction
Section 2	–	Review of Best Value Performance 2006/07
Section 3	–	Summary of Service Achievements
Section 4	–	Summary of Key Performance Indicators
Section 5	–	Reporting on Council Plan Priorities
Section 6	–	Local Area Agreement Performance Indicators
Section 7	-	Comprehensive Performance Indicators
Section 8	-	Financial Reporting
Section 9	-	Partnership Working Progress Report
Section 10	-	Risk Management
Section 12	-	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. A colour copy of the full Quarterly Corporate Management Performance Report is available on CMIS and in the Members' Room (please refer to the reports to the meeting of the Cabinet held on 12th September, 2007).
6. A paper by the Director of Children's Services on particular issues in the Quarterly Corporate Performance report is attached as Appendix 2

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 Report to be submitted to the Cabinet on 12th September, 2007, attached.



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Background Papers

Statistical information contained in the report to the Cabinet on 12th September 2007.