

Agenda Item No:

Report to: Overview and Scrutiny (Resources)

Date of Meeting: 22nd February 2011

Report Title: Quarter 3 Performance and Financial Monitoring Report

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Purpose of Report

To advise Members of the performance against the 2010/11 targets in Part II and Part III of the Corporate Plan and a summary of financial information.

Recommendation(s)

1. That staff in the Corporate Resources Directorate be thanked for their hard work and achievements in this quarter.
2. That the Committee be assured that action is being taken to improve any shortfalls in performance and/or to address risks highlighted.

Reasons for Recommendations

To enable the Overview and Scrutiny Committee to undertake their performance management function.

Background

1. Part II of the Council's Corporate Plan sets out the 2010/11 annual targets by service, Part III sets out performance indicators and three-year targets up to 2012/13. These documents with the associated Budget together form the Council's overarching strategic policy and financial direction for the period up to 2012/13.
2. The Overview and Scrutiny Committee play a key role in reviewing performance against the Annual Targets on a quarterly basis.

Performance in Quarter 3 2010/11 - By exception

3. Focussing on performance by exception enables Members to focus their scrutiny and questions on areas where performance is either very good or exceeding expectation and deserves praise and recognition, or on areas where corrective action is required. The attached two documents are intended to assist Overview and Scrutiny in this regard:

Appendix A - Summarises Part II Corporate Plan targets by exception

Appendix B - Summarises Performance Indicators by exception.

4. Together these two documents give an overview of performance for the quarter completed on 31st December 2010.

Further details

5. The detail of performance against all of the Part II Corporate Plan targets for the services and cross-cutting activities that are under the scrutiny of this committee are available in Appendix C.
6. As agreed at the Overview and Scrutiny Committees in November, the full details of the performance indicators that are 'on target' are not reported in the papers for this meeting. Committee Members are able to access the full information via the Members pages on the intranet. Copies are available electronically on request (from Democratic Services) for any Councillor unable to access these pages or for any member of the public who wishes to receive this information. Work is continuing towards making information available on the Council's external website, and it is hoped to provide a timetable for achieving this at the yearend meetings.

Summary of Financial Information

7. Both the Revenue Budget and the Capital Programme are awaiting approval by Cabinet on 16th February 2011. The revised budgets for 2010-11 are shown below.

Revenue

	Original Budget £	Revised Budget £
Net Council Expenditure (after the use of earmarked reserves)	£21,199,820	£21,027,510

8. The difference of £172,310 is a result of reductions in spends following the Comprehensive Spending review announcement.

Capital

9. The capital programme was originally agreed at £11.313m, but with the re-profiling of expenditure, savings, new schemes and other variations the revised total is £10.574m which shows a decrease of (£0.739m). Council funding of schemes however has reduced by (£0.972m).
10. The planned funding of the Capital Programme has changed as follows:-

	Original plan £ k	Revised £ k
Gross expenditure	11,313	10,574
Assumed slippage		(500)
Capital grants and contributions	(6,921)	(6,398)
Amount to be met by Council resources	4,392	3,676
Funded by:-		
New capital Receipts	630	511
Use of Capital/Revenue Reserve	960	1,335
New Loans	2,802	1,830
	4,392	3,676

Reserves

11. Reserves and balances are estimated to be £8.815m as at 31 March 2011.
12. Please note these figures are subject to change following the consultation period.

Wards Affected

Ashdown, Baird, Braybrooke, Castle, Central St. Leonards, Conquest, Gensing, Hollington, Maze Hill, Old Hastings, Ore, Silverhill, St. Helens, Tressell, West St. Leonards, Wishing Tree

Area(s) Affected

Central Hastings, East Hastings, North St. Leonards, South St. Leonards

Policy Implications

Please identify if this report contains any implications for the following:

Equalities and Community Cohesiveness	Yes
Crime and Fear of Crime (Section 17)	Yes
Risk Management	Yes
Environmental Issues	Yes
Economic/Financial Implications	Yes
Human Rights Act	Yes
Organisational Consequences	Yes

Supporting Documents

Both available from www.hastings.gov.uk

Corporate Plan 2010/11 - 2012/13

Budget 2010/11 - 2012/13

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