

Agenda Item No:

Report to: Overview and Scrutiny (Services)

Date of Meeting: 15th March 2010

Report Title: Quarter 3 Performance and Financial Monitoring Report

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Purpose of Report

To advise Members of the performance against the 2009/10 targets in Part II and Part III of the Corporate Plan and related budget and risk issues

Recommendation(s)

- 1. That staff in the Regeneration Homes and Communities and Environmental Services Directorates be thanked for their hard work**
- 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 2009/10 annual targets by service, Part III sets out performance indicators and three-year targets up to 2011/12. These documents together with the associated Budget together form the Council's overarching strategic policy and financial direction for the period up to 2011/12.
2. These are probably the Council's most important documents. The focus of service activity, policy developments, financial commitments, and partnership working is geared towards achieving the goals set out in this Plan.
3. The Overview and Scrutiny Committee play a key role in reviewing performance against the Annual Targets on a quarterly basis.

Performance in Quarter 3 2009/10

4. The appendices attached to this report set out details of performance against targets.
5. Appendix A shows third quarter progress of each Part II target relating to this committee's area of responsibility. Each of the Corporate Plan targets is tagged with a status comment as either:
 - a. Achieved: Target has been delivered successfully
 - b. On Target: Confident of delivery of the target as worded by the end of the year or earlier if indicated in the target wording
 - c. On Target with Risks Identified: Confident of delivery of the target as worded by the end of the year or earlier subject to certain risks
 - d. Slippage Possible: There are concerns about ability to deliver within the year – consequences and remedial actions to be described
 - e. Will Not Meet Target: Reasons, consequences and any actions needed
6. In addition, each Corporate Plan target has a risk rating attributed to it. This is a means of further integrating our Risk and Performance Management processes.
7. Appendix B includes the updates for the cross-cutting targets which relate to this Committee's area of responsibility - you will remember these were included for the first time in this year's Corporate Plan to reflect the range of work undertaken across Directorates.
8. Appendix C sets out an exception summary of PIs by Service and detailed tables for each indicator for the areas of responsibility of this Committee with comparison data for the previous year.

Summary of Financial Information

9. Both the Revenue Budget and the Capital Programme have been approved by Cabinet at its meetings on 18th January and 15th February 2010. The revised budgets for 2009-10 as now approved are shown below.

Revenue

| | Original Budget £ | Revised Budget £ |
|---|----------------------|---------------------|
| Net Council Expenditure (after the use of earmarked reserves) | £20,625,470 | £21,065,770 |

10. The difference of £440,300 is explained by carry forwards from previous years £175K, Area Based Grants £219 K and other variations £46k.

Capital

11. The capital programme was originally agreed at £9.320m, but with the re-profiling of expenditure, savings, new schemes and other variations the revised total is £7.664m which shows a decrease of (£1.656m). Council funding of schemes however has reduced by (£1.709m).

12. The planned funding of the Capital Programme has changed as follows:-

| | Original plan £ k | Revised £ k |
|---------------------------------------|----------------------|----------------|
| Gross expenditure | 9,320 | 7,664 |
| Assumed slippage | (500) | (500) |
| Capital grants and contributions | (5,864) | (4,775) |
| Amount to be met by Council resources | <u>2,956</u> | <u>2,389</u> |
| Funded by:- | | |
| New capital Receipts | 346 | 1,468 |
| Use of Capital Reserve | 0 | 20 |
| New Loans | 2,610 | 901 |
| | <u>2,956</u> | <u>2,389</u> |

Reserves

13. Reserves and balances are estimated to be £9.976m as at 31 March 2010. This figure includes vat receipts which have been fully earmarked.

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:

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|---------------------------------------|-----|
| 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

Appendix A - Corporate Plan Part II Target updates
Appendix B - Corporate Plan Part II Cross Cutting Target updates
Appendix C - Performance Indicators

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