# Agenda Item 11



#### **Policy and Scrutiny**

# Open Report on behalf of Tony McArdle, Chief Executive

Report to: Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee

Date: 24 November 2016

Subject: Council Business Plan 2016 - 2017 Performance

Report, Quarter Two

#### **Summary:**

This report presents Quarter 2 (Q2) performance against the Council Business Plan.

#### **Actions Required:**

The Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee is invited to review the Q2 performance and proposals for presenting historical performance trends and highlight any recommendations or further actions required.

#### 1. Background

The Council Business Plan 2016/2017 was approved by Council on 19 February 2016. This report provides the Committee with highlights of Quarter 2 (Q2) performance. The full range of infographics is available to view on this link, username and password will be emailed to all Councillors along with the papers for the meeting. Once Q2 performance has been discussed by the Executive on 6<sup>th</sup> December 2016 and feedback has been considered the performance information will be publicly available on the website. In order to assist Councillors to see areas of performance they may be interested in on the website a table with a link to the relevant web page for services within the Council Business Plan is detailed in Appendix C.

#### **Headlines Quarter 2 performance**

Of the 15 commissioning strategies reported in Q2:-

- 8 have performed really well (all measures achieved);
- 5 have performed well (all but 1 measure achieved);
- 2 have mixed performance.

The following 2 commissioning strategies are reported annually in Q4:-

Readiness for school;

Sustaining and developing prosperity through infrastructure.

#### The good news

The following commissioning strategies have performed really well (all measures reported in Q2 were achieved):-

Children are safe and healthy

Learn and achieve

Safeguarding adults

Sustaining and growing business and the economy

Wellbeing

<u>How we effectively target our resources</u> (Combination of 3 commissioning strategies)

Commissioning strategies performed well (all but 1 measure reported in Q2 was achieved).

- Adult Frailty, long term conditions and physical disability 'permanent admissions to residential and nursing care homes aged 65+' is higher than expected as the number of older people requiring residential placements appears to have been caused by discharge pressures in hospitals, increasingly complex needs and availability of alternative home based support in the community.
- <u>Carers</u> 'carers supported in the last 12 months' has not achieved the target as although requests from new carers is increasing, it is not at the rate initially anticipated.
- <u>Community Resilience and Assets</u> performance of 'core visits to libraries and mobile libraries' was not achieved in July or September but was achieved in August due to the summer reading challenge.
- Protecting and sustaining the environment 'household waste recycled' is higher than at the same stage in 2015/2016. The service is forecasting an overall recycling rate of 47.4%, which is marginally higher than last year. The aspirational target of 55% was set in the Joint Municipal Waste Management Strategy which needs to be addressed in the production of a revised strategy.
- <u>Specialist Adult Services</u> performance is expected to improve in quarters 3 and 4 for 'adults who received a review of their needs' and each area team has a plan to deliver reviews to meet the annual target by year end.

### Mixed performance

The following commissioning strategies are reporting mixed performance with some measures achieving and some measures not achieving.

 Readiness for Adult Life 2 of the measures where performance has not been achieved relate to participation in learning. Q2 performance is usually lower than forecast at year end due to a lag in verifying data and the service expects performance to improve. The other measure that has not achieved the target is 'achievement gap between disadvantaged pupils and their peers' and although the service has provided an offer of 2 days training, the take up of the training, networks and events by schools has been poor over the past year. The service has no powers of intervention in the vast majority of secondary schools as they are academies and this gap will be the subject of service challenge to the Regional Schools Commissioner.

- Protecting the public however, on closer inspection each of the outcomes
  within this commissioning strategy that can be compared with a target in Q2
  performed well (all but 1 measure reported in Q2 was achieved) with the
  exception of the outcome 'Reduce Adult Reoffending' where both measures
  did not achieve the target and service explanations are summarised below:-
- 'satisfaction with response to crime and antisocial behaviour' the service is considering further work to better understand the drop in performance; and
- 'adults reoffending' where a clear strategy is now in place targeting resources to known individuals who impact most on victims and communities.

# Proposed changes to reporting performance against the Council Business Plan 2016/17

Targets for 2016/2017 published in the Council Business Plan in February were informed by the latest available performance information at the time of writing the plan (2015/2016 Q2), with the following caveats:

- i) The targets are subject to change to reflect:-
  - 2015/2016 out turns;
  - Changes in the wider economy;
  - Nature of demand; and
  - Consequences of any service reductions
- ii) The Council Business Plan will be reviewed as part of quarterly performance reporting with any proposed changes to reporting agreed by the Executive.

The relevant Executive Councillors have been consulted and recommendations for proposed changes to reporting are set out in Appendix A of this report.

### **Proposed way of presenting historical performance trends**

During discussion of Q4 performance against the Council Business Plan 2015/2016, Members asked if performance trends over a number of years could be included in the infographics. This is possible for Council Business Plan measures where services have consistently reported performance using the same definition. Appendix B details how performance trends over a number of years could be presented for Members to consider.

#### 2. Conclusion

An overview of performance against the Council Business Plan is within the remit of the Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee and this report highlights

performance for Quarter 2. Committee members can view all of the infographics on the following <u>link</u>.

#### 3. Consultation

# a) Policy Proofing Actions Required

n/a

# 4. Appendices

These are listed below and attached at the back of the report	
Appendix A	Proposed changes to reporting performance against the Council Business Plan 2016/17.
Appendix B	Proposed way of presenting historical performance trends.
Appendix C	Links to performance measures by service area.

# 5. Background Papers

No background papers within Section 100D of the Local Government Act 1972 were used in the preparation of this report.

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