

Report to: Culture & Tourism Sub-Committee

Date: 2 February 2006

Subject: Extract from the Policy & Resources Committee Meeting
held on the 7th December 2005

Present: Councillor Bodfish (Chair), Councillors John (Deputy Chair), Burgess (Deputy Chair), Mrs Brown, Elgood, Fitch, Kemble, Mrs Mears, Mitchell, Mrs Norman, Oxley (OS – Finance), Peltzer Dunn (OS), Randall, Taylor and Turner.

PART ONE

ACTION

150. QUARTER 2 BEST VALUE PERFORMANCE REPORT 2005/06

The Committee considered a report of the Director of Strategy & Governance, concerning the second quarter, July to September 2005, performance indicator results from the statutory Best Value Performance Indicator (BVPI) suite (for copy see Minute book).

150.2 RESOLVED –

(1) That the 2005/06 Quarter 2 results for all indicators where information is available, be noted and the respective information be reported to the relevant committee as detailed in the report;

(2) That it be noted targets have been set by each directorate in discussion with elected members and aim to achieve continuous improvement;

(3) That the introduction of a 'harder test' by the government with the Comprehensive Performance Assessment (CPA), 2005 be noted;

(4) That it be noted if the Performance Indicator detailed in the report relies on population figures, it has been updated using the 2003 mid-year estimates.

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1. Purpose of the report

- 1.1 The purpose of the report is to provide Policy & Resources Committee with the second quarter July - Sept 2005 performance indicator (PI) results from the statutory Best Value Performance Indicator (BVPI) suite.

2. Recommendations

- 2.1 To note that the Quarter 2 2005/06 report provides results for all indicators where information is available. Targets have been set by each directorate in discussion with elected members aiming to achieve continuous improvement. The colours in the report indicate how well we are doing against our own targets;
- green - exceeding target
 - amber - below target
 - red - well below target
- 2.2 To note that the government is introducing a 'harder test' with the Comprehensive Performance Assessment (CPA), 2005. This will involve introducing new 'thresholds' of performance for all councils to reach. The precise detailed information will be announced later in the year. Once the new 'thresholds' have been announced, the report will indicate our progress against these in the future.
- 2.3 To notes that if the PI relies on population figures, they have been updated using the 2003 mid year estimates.

3. Consultation

- 3.1 All directorates have been consulted in order to set BVPI targets and collect performance against them.

4 Reporting information to Members

4.1 It is proposed that the relevant parts of this report will be presented to Members as follows.

- Environment
- Children Families and Schools
- Housing Committee
- Housing Management Sub Committee
- Adult Social Care & Health Sub Committee
- Education Overview and Scrutiny Panel
- Overview and Scrutiny Panel

Appendix

Meeting/Date	Policy & Resources Committee 7th December 2005		
Report of	Director of Strategy & Governance		
Subject	Q2 Best Value performance Report 2005/06		
Wards affected	All		
Financial implications In those areas of performance that are short of target, service managers will need to explore ways of implementing revised strategies and procedures to secure performance improvements. It is not possible to quantify the financial implications of such measures but Directors will be aware that the costs will need to be met from within existing budgets. Finance officer consulted: Nigel Manvell			
Legal implications The report complies with the statutory requirements on Best Value contained in the Local Government Act 1999. Human Rights Act 1998 considerations have been taken into account in the preparation of this report. Lawyer consulted: Diane Bates			
Corporate/Citywide implications The information in this report provides councillors with the timely and relevant performance information which enables them to track performance in services for the benefit of local residents.		Risk assessment The more holistic performance management arrangements will contribute to the management of risks that affect the council's objectives and business plans.	
Sustainability implications The performance monitoring framework is an important part of determining whether or not the council's sustainable development objectives are being met and identifying areas where improvement is needed.		Equalities implications The performance monitoring framework is an important part of determining whether or not the council's equalities objectives are being met and identifying areas where improvement is needed. The statutory and local indicators help in auditing the equalities aspects of service delivery.	

Implications for the prevention of crime and disorder

There are no adverse implications arising from this report.

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