

Agenda Item

Executive Board

16 August 2006

Corporate Strategy quarterly monitoring – Q1 2006/07



Quarterly monitoring of the Corporate Strategy - first quarter 2006/07

Summary

On 19 April, the Council approved a series of recommendations on improving the performance management framework made by the Executive Board on 12 April. This included a recommendation that the Executive Board should monitor the Corporate Strategy on a quarterly basis. This report provides details of progress in implementing the four priorities of the Corporate Strategy during the first quarter of 2006/07.

Recommendations

That the Executive Board considers progress in implementing the four priorities of the Corporate Strategy during the first quarter of 2006/07.

a) Reasons for Recommendation

Details of progress in implementing the four priorities of the Corporate Strategy during the first quarter of 2006/07 have been prepared in response to a resolution of the Council on 19 April to allow members to monitor progress.

b) Alternative Options

None.

c) Risk Considerations

A failure to make satisfactory progress in implementing the recommendations in the action plan may result in the Council being criticised in a future inspection and could also compromise the Council's reputation and budgets.

d) Policy and Budgetary Considerations

The report introduces the monitoring of progress in implementing the four priorities of the Corporate Strategy which drives both our services and our medium-term financial strategy. Any financial implications associated with implementing the Corporate Strategy have been incorporated into budgets for 2006/07.

e) Date for Review of Decision

Monitoring of progress in implementing the Corporate Strategy during the second quarter of 2006/07 will take place on 15 November 2006.

Main Body of the Report

1. On 19 April, the Council resolved to approve a series of recommendations on improving the performance management framework made by the Executive Board on 12 April.
2. This included approval of the quarterly monitoring of the Corporate Strategy by the Executive Board and a 'basket of performance indicators' (PIs) for doing so.

3. The quarterly monitoring of progress in implementing the Corporate Strategy during 2006/07 will be achieved by Corporate Directors preparing short progress reports highlighting achievements and setting out the remedial action to overcome any delays in meeting targets for the 'basket of PIs'.
4. One or two of the identified PIs in each 'basket of PIs' are the 'outcomes' themselves and some are the actual 'measures' under each 'outcome' whilst others are BVPIs or Local PIs.
5. A common template for reporting progress with the four priorities has been developed which are attached to the end of this report for the consideration of members.
6. A commentary on progress with the 'outcomes' and 'measures' is provided together with a summary of performance against the relevant BVPIs or Local PIs for each priority.

Legal Implications

None.

Financial Implications

No direct financial implications.

Consultation on Reports to the Executive

The four corporate directors have contributed to the preparation of the progress reports for monitoring the implementation of the Corporate Strategy.

Background Papers

The progress reports for monitoring the implementation of the four priorities of the Corporate Strategy are attached to the end of this report.

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