

REPORT TO THE EXECUTIVE		Report No. 10
Date of Meeting	13 th March 2008	
Title of Report	Corporate Plan Progress Update – 3 rd Quarter 2007/08	
Portfolio	Policy	
Link to Corporate Priorities	All	
Key Decision	No	
Executive Workplan Ref	B51	
Public Report	Yes	

Summary of Report

To provide an update and exceptions report on the delivery and performance of the Corporate Plan for the third quarter of 2007/08.

Officer Recommendations

That the Executive note the third quarter exception reporting for delivery and performance of actions under the priority areas in the Corporate Plan.

Other than those implications agreed with the relevant Officers and referred to below, there are no other implications associated with this report.

Financial Implications	Legal Implications	Community & Environmental Implications	Human Resources Implications	Equality & Diversity Implications
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

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1. Introduction

- 1.1 This is the third quarterly update report on the Corporate Plan for the year 2007/08. The report highlights actions from the amended Transitional Corporate Plan, as agreed by Executive on 20 September 2007, and provides members with an overview of progress.

2. Options and Options Appraisal

- 2.1 Option 1: That the Executive Committee notes the third quarter exception reporting for delivery and performance of actions under the priority areas in the Corporate Plan.

3. Background Information

- 3.1 The Corporate Plan focuses on three priority areas, each of which has within it a set of goals and key actions. These priorities, goals and actions were identified in a number of ways, including: Government priorities and targets; emerging legislation and external inspections; and feedback from the local community and stakeholders.
- 3.2 The Council's Corporate Plan agreed in February 2007 had a three year focus. The plan was reviewed by the Executive in September 2007, in the light of the Government's announcement that there would be one unitary Council covering Wiltshire in future. The outcome of this review was to propose a Transitional Corporate Plan, which amended some of the actions for the current year and changed the end date of the Corporate Plan to March 2009. The Transitional Corporate Plan was agreed by the Executive as the basis for budget consultation for 2008/09. A final version of the Transitional Corporate Plan for 2008/09 was considered at the Executive Budget meeting on 31 January 2008 and will go forward for Council approval at the budget meeting on 26 February 2008.
- 3.3 The Corporate Plan is an integral part of the Council's performance management framework and its delivery forms part of the Audit Commission's annual review of the Council's "Direction of Travel" linked to the Comprehensive Performance Assessment process. Progress against the Plan is reported quarterly to the Executive and the Overview and Scrutiny Committee.
- 3.4 Appendix 1 sets out a table showing the amended Transitional Corporate Plan actions as agreed by the Executive in September 2007 and progress to date against all actions in this amended Plan. Where possible, up to date progress has been given, rather than simply progress to the end of the third quarter of the year. Any implications for the Council in terms of financial or other risk are shown in the table.

4. Financial Implications

- 4.1 The development of the Corporate Plan links with the budget process, ensuring that the Council's priorities drive the budget decisions.

5. Legal Implications

- 5.1 The Corporate Plan is one of the key documents in the Council's policy framework and as such must be agreed by full Council.

6. Community & Environmental Implications

- 6.1 The delivery of the Corporate Plan has significant impact upon the local community.

7. Equalities and Diversity Implications

- 7.1 Equalities and Diversity should be an implicit value in the Council's work and underpins all of the Council's priorities. Under the priority of Customers, there is also a specific goal on Equality of Access, aiming to make it easier for all our customers to access our services. The service plans will highlight work that needs to be undertaken on any outstanding Equality Impact Assessments.

8. Human Resources Implications

- 8.1 The Corporate Plan for sets out the Council's priorities for the final year of the Council's operation. The Council's draft Service Plans will progress over the next few months to ensure they link to the new Transitional Corporate Plan and that where possible resources can be aligned to ensure the priorities are delivered. There will be, in parts of the Council, a considerable impact upon staff and staffing resources.

9. Risk Analysis

- 9.1 Risks arising from actions in the Corporate Plan are highlighted in the Appendix.

Appendices:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Appendix 1: Corporate Plan Update – 3rd Quarter 2007/08
Background Documents Used in the Preparation of this Report:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Approved Corporate Plan 2007/10• Draft Transitional Corporate Plan 2007/09 (as agreed by Executive on 20 September 2007)

Previous Decisions Connected with this Report

Report	Committee & Date	Minute Reference
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Corporate Plan 2007/10	Council, 22 February 2007	C94
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Transitional Corporate Plan 2008/09	Executive, 20 September 2007	E66