

CORPORATE PLAN PRIORITIES FOR 2006/07

As agreed at the Executive on 10 November 2005, the Corporate Priorities to be included in the Corporate Plan for 2006/07 are as follows:

- 1. Customer Focus, linked with Equalities and Diversity and Partnership Working**
- 2. Waste and Recycling**
- 3. Housing**
- 4. Cleaner, Safer, Better Streets**
- 5. Spatial Planning**
- 6. Buoyant Economy**
- 7. Healthy Lifestyles**
- 8. Car Parking and Decriminalisation**

The action plans linking to these priorities will be put forward to Council at its meeting in April 2006. The Council's Corporate Plan has to have a three year focus, looking at what we aim to achieve in priority areas over three years, to take us closer to our longer term vision for 2020. The Plan is rolled forward each year, with key tasks for the current year being set out in detail.

The Corporate Plan will be published in June 2006 as part of the Council's Best Value Performance Plan. For the first time this will pull together the key performance information alongside the Council's priorities and high-level action plans, in a format that should enable both members and the public to gain a clearer picture of the overall direction and work of the Council. This will also help to achieve the improvements to the Corporate Plan that a cross-party group of members identified at the Policy Day workshops in September 2005. That is, that the Corporate Plan should:

- Identify what can be achieved in any one year;
- Identify what areas are progressing year on year;
- Identify areas of County and District responsibility and map out relationships where delivery is joint or based on partnership working;
- Consider the Council's ability to influence its partners on priorities;
- Take account of other plans and policies;
- Reflect standards of quality or degrees of difficulty in service delivery;
- Consider the context within which services are delivered, i.e. rural and urban; demographic details etc.;
- Reflect the Council's "can do" culture in all priority areas and core services.