

REPORT FOR: CABINET

Date of Meeting: 18 January 2018

**Subject:** Strategic Performance Report – Quarter 2,

2017/18

**Key Decision:** No

Responsible Officer: Alex Dewsnap, Divisional Director of

Strategic Commissioning

Portfolio Holder: Councillor Kiran Ramchandani, Portfolio

Holder for Performance, Corporate Resources and Customer Services

Exempt: No

**Decision subject to** 

Call-in:

Yes

Wards affected: All Wards

**Enclosures:** Appendix 1 – Strategic Performance Report

# **Section 1 – Summary and Recommendations**

This report summarises Council and service performance for Quarter 2 against key measures and draws attention to areas requiring action.

#### **Recommendations:**

That

1. Portfolio Holders continue working with officers to achieve improvement against identified key challenges;

2. Cabinet note the report and identify any changes it wishes to see in future reports.

## Reason: (For recommendations)

1&2: To enable Cabinet to be informed of performance against key measures and to identify and assign corrective action where necessary.

# **Section 2 - Report**

## **Introductory paragraph**

Cabinet sits in the role of Performance Board on a quarterly basis to receive the Strategic Performance Report. The report helps members to monitor progress against the Council's vision and Corporate Priorities and identify corrective action where necessary.

## **Reporting Format**

This report addresses the content of the Council's corporate plan, Harrow Ambition 2020, readopted by the Council with amendments in February 2017, and is arranged by reference to the three strategic themes:

- Build a Better Harrow
- Be More Business-like and Business Friendly
- Protect the Most Vulnerable and Support Families

Some measures in the scorecard are available only annually or biennially as they concern outcomes that change relatively slowly over time. For simplicity, they are therefore shown only in the quarter in which data becomes available.

The report at **Appendix 1** provides the following content:

#### Summary of achievement in the Quarter

Highlights of achievements under each strategic theme

## Performance Summary for each strategic theme

- Progress against Key Projects and Initiatives identified in the Harrow Ambition Plan
- Information and current or planned action against each performance indicator with a red status in the "key challenges" section
- The corresponding section of the Corporate Scorecard

#### **Changes at Quarter 2**

To provide a more immediate visual indication of progress, RAG (red, amber, green) statuses have been included against Key Projects and Initiatives and trend arrows have been included against measures in the scorecard.

## **Options considered**

Cabinet's terms of reference in the constitution include overseeing strategic performance issues on a quarterly basis and as such an option of not delivering this report has not been considered.

## Implications of the Recommendation

#### Performance Issues

The report deals in detail with performance issues.

#### **Environmental Implications**

There are no direct environmental implications arising from this report. However, each of the projects referred to in the report will have some environmental impact and this should be assessed to ensure that any decisions, taken in response to this report, do not have a negative impact on the environment and, where possible, positively contribute towards the Council's climate change strategy.

#### **Risk Management Implications**

The risks arising from the Performance Report will be measured through the Council's Corporate Risk Register.

# **Legal Implications**

None specific to this report.

## **Financial Implications**

There are no Financial Implications arising from this report.

# **Equalities implications / Public Sector Equality Duty**

Any decisions driven by the actions taken in response to this report will need to be assessed through an Equalities Impact Assessment.

#### **Council Priorities**

The Council's vision:

#### **Working Together to Make a Difference for Harrow**

This report deals with progress against each of the strategic themes.

# **Section 3 - Statutory Officer Clearance**

Name: Sharon Daniels x Chief Financial Officer

Date: 13 December 2017

Name: Matthew Adams x Monitoring Officer

Date: 8 January 2018

Ward Councillors notified:

NO, as it impacts on all Wards

NO
This report contains no recommendations for changes in service

# Section 4 - Contact Details and Background Papers

**Contact:** Martin Randall, Business Intelligence Partner (Corporate), Strategic Commissioning, 020 8424 1815, martin.randall@harrow.gov.uk

**Background Papers:** Harrow Ambition 2020

Call-In Waived by the Chairman of Overview and Scrutiny Committee **NOT APPLICABLE** 

[Call-in applies]