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| Meeting: | Overview and Scrutiny |
| Date: | 10 th July 2007 |
| Subject: | Draft Corporate Plan 2007 -2010 |
| Key Decision: (Executive-side only) | No |
| Responsible Officer: | Paul Najsarek Director, People, Performance and Policy |
| Portfolio Holder: | Paul Osborn |
| Exempt: | No |
| Enclosures: | Draft Corporate Plan |

SECTION 1 – SUMMARY AND RECOMMENDATIONS

This report brings to the Committee's attention the version of the Council's Corporate Plan including the Best Value Performance Plan that was approved by Cabinet in June. Cabinet authorised the Leader and the Chief Executive to make further amendments to the plan in line with the spirit of the existing version to add further clarity and specificity before it is submitted to Council later this week. Those additions are still being as this report is dispatched.

The Best Value Performance Plan which reports on the levels of achievements against various national indicators also needs further checking several gaps remain to be filled. Again, however, the Plan gives a flavour of our performance across a wide range of services.

RECOMMENDATIONS: The Committee is asked to consider and make comments on the Corporate Plan.

SECTION 2 - REPORT

The Council's Corporate Plan is a public statement of the values and objectives that underpin the work it is intended to undertake between 2007 and 2010. The notable features of this edition of the Corporate Plan are the inclusion of a new slogan for the Council, a new vision supported by 11 vision statements and 11 corporate priorities. These are also exemplified by a set of Flagship Actions that are practical examples of what the vision and priorities mean and against which the Council is happy to be judged.

The Plan, and particularly the vision and priority statements, has been developed using multiple sources of available information. For example, it has drawn upon the Sustainable Community Plan, the MORI Quality of Life Survey and the triennial Best Value Survey, the Vitality Profiles, the Corporate Assessment and JAR final reports and other sources of data and influence to ensure that it is evidence based, realistic and focused on the key challenges and opportunities for the future.

Publication of the Best Value Performance Plan (BVPP) is a statutory requirement and its content is similarly prescribed. It reports on performance against a varied basket of indicators and acts as an end of year report or accountability statement on the Council's stewardship over the last year. The BVPP identifies a significant amount of detail about performance although without a financial, demographic or social context without which comparisons between authorities is hazardous.

SECTION 3 - STATUTORY OFFICER CLEARANCE

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| Chief Finance Officer | <input type="checkbox"/> Name Myfanwy Barrett..... |
| | Date: 28 th June 2007..... |
| Monitoring Officer | <input type="checkbox"/> Name: Hugh Peat... |
| | Date: 28 th June 2007..... |

SECTION 4 - CONTACT DETAILS AND BACKGROUND PAPERS

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Background Papers:

*Drafts of the Corporate Plan
Departmental Service Plans
Mori Quality of Life Survey
BVPI General Survey
Sustainable Community Plan
Vitality Profiles
Corporate Assessment and JAR Reports*