

Meeting: Performance and Finance Sub Committee

Date: 23rd July 2007

Subject: New approach to business planning and

performance management in Harrow

Council

Key Decision: No

Responsible Officer: Andrea Durn, Service Manager

Performance

Ed Hammond, Scrutiny Unit

Portfolio Holder: Councillor Paul Osbourne

Exempt: No

Enclosures: Slides explaining new framework

SECTION 1 – SUMMARY AND RECOMMENDATIONS

This report sets out some brief introductory information on the principles of the new integrated business planning and performance management framework

RECOMMENDATIONS:

The Cabinet/Committee/Portfolio Holder is requested to:

- 1. Note the report
- 2. Comment on the new framework in conjunction with the report on Principles of Performance Management Report in preparation for the first substantive meeting of the Sub Committee in the autumn.

SECTION 2 - REPORT

- The Council has agreed a new integrated business planning and performance management framework. The new framework is to address the criticisms of the Corporate Performance Assessment 2006, to enable better performance improvement in its services, and to address one of the new Chief Executive's 9 key issues for the council.
- There is a clear role for members to play in the new framework and to assist the understanding of that role some information is being provided as an appendix to the report relating to the principles of the framework, the hierarchy of plans, the cycles of reporting and management or performance and finance.
- The report should be read in conjunction with the report on the Principles of Performance Management which is also on the agenda for this committee.
- Members should note that the "challenge panels" referred to on the attached slides are not the same bodies as the "challenge panels" commissioned by and reporting to scrutiny committees.

Issue to be determined

Members are being asked to read and note the report, and to discuss any comments and how they would like to be involved in the framework.

Legal and financial implications

There are no legal implications to the report.

The service planning framework will deliver significant improvements to the council's performance and resource management. However, there are no financial implications connected directly to this report.

SECTION 3 - STATUTORY OFFICER CLEARANCE

Name:Sonal Shah Date: 13 th July 2007.	on behalf of the* Chief Financial Officer
Name: Jill Travers Date: 16 th July 2007	on behalf of the* Monitoring Officer

SECTION 4 - CONTACT DETAILS AND BACKGROUND PAPERS

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IF APPROPRIATE, does the report include the following considerations?

1.	Consultation	YES/ NO
2.	Corporate Priorities	YES / NO
3.	Manifesto Pledge Reference Number	