

Overview and Scrutiny Committee

Tuesday, 16 January 2024

Subject: Scrutiny of Progress and Delivery Quarter 2 2023/2024

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Purpose / Summary:	To consider the responses arising from the Council's policy committees with regards to quarter two Progress and Delivery reporting.

RECOMMENDATION(S):

That the Committee examine the responses given to the report by the Prosperous Communities and the Corporate Policy and Resources Committees and assure themselves that the appropriate level of challenge is being made by those committees to the information contained in the report.

1 Introduction

- 1.1 Members of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee are required to scrutinise the challenge of the two policy committees to the content of the council's Progress and Delivery reports.
- 1.2 To assist this scrutiny, a summary of the relevant minutes are provided to the Committee, as well as the full Progress and Delivery report.
- 1.3 Minutes of the Prosperous Communities Committee, where the report was presented on 26 October 2023, are summarised at section two of this report, with the full minute attached at Appendix 1.
- 1.4 Minutes of the Corporate Policy and Resources Committee, where the report was presented on 9 November 2023, are summarised at section three of this report, with the full minute attached at Appendix 2.
- 1.5 The full Progress and Delivery report for quarter two of financial year 2023/2024 is attached at Appendix 3, for information only.
- 1.6 Members are asked to examine the responses given to the report by these two policy committees and assure themselves that the appropriate level of challenge is being made to the information contained in the report.

2 Summary of Minutes – Prosperous Communities Committee 26 October 2023

- 2.1 In considering the quarter two Progress and Delivery report, the following aspects were discussed:
 - Markets number of stalls / number of traders
 - Community Funding additional monies available
 - Disabled Facilities Grants necessary for the county wide funding structure to be changed in order for WLDC to improve performance. Additional data requested regarding time frames for smaller adaptations
 - Secondary spend at Trinity Arts Centre suggested work to improve levels
 - Waste services praise for street cleansing, thanks to staff for response to fly tipping, request for partnership working regarding access to waste sites, increased use of camera for fly tipping hotspots
 - Reduced collection rates on Council Tax changes in payment terms explained and assurance given regarding close monitoring
 - Leisure facilities requested that increase in attendance figures be monitored.

3 Summary of Minutes – Corporate Policy and Resources Committee 9 November 2023

- 3.1 In considering the quarter two Progress and Delivery report, the following aspects were discussed:
 - Continued improvement in the reporting structure enquiry regarding options for a 'dashboard' type system
 - Target and measure setting
 - Corporate Health reporting through the Governance and Audit Committee

4 Conclusion

4.1 The Committee are asked to examine the responses given to the report by the Prosperous Communities and the Corporate Policy and Resources Committees and assure themselves that the appropriate level of challenge is being made by those committees to the information contained in the report.