



**Overview and Scrutiny
Committee**

**Tuesday, 26 November
2024**

Subject: Scrutiny of Progress and Delivery Quarter 2 2024/2025

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Purpose / Summary: To consider the responses arising from the Council's policy committees with regards to quarter two of the 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 12 November 2024, 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 14 November 2024, 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 are 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 12 November 2024

- 2.1 Members suggested improvements for increased supporting information, for example regarding **leisure centre feedback, Trinity Arts Centre, and fly-tipping**. This was to avoid a purely data-based narrative being presented, which did not always cover the full story (for example, fly-tips on private land not being collected by the Council).
- 2.2 It was enquired whether budget announcements would help with the **percentage of nights in B&B accommodation**. It was explained the details were still anticipated but the project which was now underway would help ease those pressures, especially out of the Gainsborough area.
- 2.3 It was confirmed that a detailed update regarding **food safety inspections** would be presented to the Regulatory Committee in December, however Members were assured that additional training had taken place within the team and there was an action plan in place.
- 2.4 Further marketing opportunities were discussed regarding the **Gainsborough Markets** with suggestions for interviews with traders or wider use of social media.

3 Summary of Minutes – Corporate Policy and Resources Committee 14 November 2024

- 3.1 Members enquired about **T24 savings**: It was confirmed that non-delivery of the indicated savings would not impact the overall budgets, however it was important to look for savings options where feasible.
- 3.2 Discussion was had regarding **collection rates**: It was explained that the measure was now within tolerance, however was still monitored closely and would be reported on as needed

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.