

REPORT TO: Full Council

DATE: 18th May 2007

REPORTING OFFICER: Strategic Director (Corporate & Policy)

SUBJECT: Best Value Performance Plan

WARDS: All

1.0 PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

- 1.1 The Council is required to publish its Performance Plan by the end of June each year to comply with the Local Government Act 1999. Therefore the purpose of this report is for Council to consider the draft mandatory plan as it currently stands and authorise the Chief Executive in consultation with the Leader of the Council to finalise the draft for publication.

2.0 RECOMMENDATION: That

- (1) the draft 2007/08 Performance Plan be approved by Full Council; and**
- (2) the Full Council authorise the Chief Executive in consultation with the Leader of the Council to make any amendments to finalise the Performance Plan for publication.**

3.0 SUPPORTING INFORMATION

- 3.1 The mandatory elements of the Performance Plan are:
- The out-turn performance over the previous year on all BVPIs
 - Targets for the current year and subsequent 2 years for all BVPIs
 - A brief statement to certify that contracts awarded that involved the transfer of staff in the past year, complied with the Code of Practice on Workforce Matters in Local Authority Service Contracts.
- 3.2 The plan will contain the mandatory elements that the Council must provide under the provisions of the 'Act' and assess the Council's performance in respect of the best value performance indicators.
- 3.3 With regards to the data contained within the Table of Best Value Performance Indicators it should be noted that

- All outturn information is not yet available as it is still in the process of calculation. In such cases, and wherever possible, estimated performance has been calculated.
- Future performance targets, where appropriate, will be reviewed in light of 2005/06 performance outturns at the time this information becomes available.
- The letter U denotes that information is presently unavailable. In such cases information will be inserted prior to the statutory publication date of 30 June 2006.
- Where information is no longer applicable columns have been marked as N/a.

4.0 POLICY IMPLICATIONS

4.1 There are no policy implications associated with this report

5.0 OTHER IMPLICATIONS

5.1 There are no other implications associated with this report

6.0 RISK ANALYSIS

6.1 The key risk associated with this report is a failure to comply with our statutory duty to publish a Best Value performance Plan. The delegated powers recommended in this report will enable a completed report to be published by the 30th June 2007.

7.0 EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY ISSUES

7.1 In recognising the authority's desire to make services and information accessible to all sections of the community versions of this plan will be made available, where requested, in other formats and languages.

8.0 LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS UNDER SECTION 100D OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972

Document	Place of Inspection	Contact Officer
Local Government Act 1999: Best Value and Performance Management:	Municipal Buildings, Kingsway, Widnes	Mike Foy ext 1177
1) ODPM Circular 03/2003		
2) Addendum 02/2004		
3) ODPM Circular 05/2006		