

**REPORT TO:** Urban Renewal Policy & Performance Board  
**DATE:** 23 January 2008  
**REPORTING OFFICER:** Strategic Director, Environment  
**SUBJECT:** Service Plans 2008-2011  
**WARDS:** Borough wide

## **1.0 PURPOSE OF THE REPORT**

1.1. To enable Members to consider objectives and targets for services for the next three years.

## **2.0 RECOMMENDED: That**

- 1) the Board identifies any objectives and targets for the next three years that it wishes to see included in the Service Plans; and**
- 2) Board Members pass any detailed comments that they may have on individual draft Service Plans to the relevant Operational Director by 31 January 2008.**

## **3.0 SUPPORTING INFORMATION**

3.1 The Departmental Service Plans are currently being reviewed and rolled forward. They will go to Executive Board for approval on 21 February 2008, at the same time as the draft budget. This will ensure that decisions on Service Planning are linked to resource allocation.

3.2 Each Operational Director will make a brief presentation to the Policy and Performance Board describing the key factors affecting their service and their main objectives for the coming three years. In preparation for this discussion, Board Members may wish to consider:

- the three things they would most like to see each department address in the next three years; and
- the three things they would most like to have regular performance reports on in relation to each department.

## **3.3 The Departments reporting to the Urban Renewal PPB are:**

Major Projects Department  
Economic Regeneration  
Environmental and Regulatory Services (part)

Health and Community (part)

- 3.4 Detailed draft Service Plans will be made available electronically prior to the meeting for comment by individual Members. Comments should be made to the relevant Operational Director by the end of January 2008.

#### **4.0 POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

- 4.1 Service Plans will clearly indicate how objectives and targets relate to the areas of focus identified in the Council's Corporate Plan.

#### **5.0 OTHER IMPLICATIONS**

Major Projects, Economic Regeneration, Environmental and Regulatory Services (part) and Health and Community (relating to Housing Strategy) are all identified within the individual Service Plans.

#### **6.0 IMPLICATIONS FOR THE COUNCIL'S PRIORITIES**

- Children & Young People – Urban Renewal activities will create new opportunities for the development of children and young people and provide improved expectations and quality of life;
- Employment, Learning and Skills in Halton – Urban Renewal developments will act to improve economic well-being amongst Halton's population through supporting new facilities across all ranges and offering new opportunities for employment and training;
- A Healthy Halton – regeneration of older, and particularly contaminated, areas will reduce risks to health and contribute to a more healthy environment;
- A Safer Halton – regeneration will allow modern standards to be incorporated in new developments and allow the incorporation of such ideas as 'designing out crime';
- Halton's Urban Renewal – the activities detailed are designed to impact positively and directly on the regeneration of the Borough.

#### **7.0 RISK ANALYSIS**

- 7.1 Risk analysis of all key objectives within Service Plans is undertaken and summarised in the plan.

#### **8.0 EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY ISSUES**

- 8.1 All Service Plans will be subject to an equality impact assessment and any high priority implications will be summarised within the plans.

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

9.1 There are no background documents under the meaning of this Act.