

REPORT TO: Urban Renewal Policy & Performance Board

DATE: 21st. January 2009

REPORTING OFFICER: Strategic Director Environment

SUBJECT: Service Plans 2009-2012

WARDS: Borough wide

1. **PURPOSE OF THE REPORT**

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

2. **RECOMMENDED: that**

- i. The Board identifies any objectives and targets for the next three years that it wishes to see included in the Service Plans.
- ii. That Board Members pass any detailed comments that they may have on individual draft Service Plans to the relevant Operational Director by 31 January 2009.

3. **SUPPORTING INFORMATION**

- 3.1. The Departmental Service Plans are currently being reviewed and rolled forward. They will go to Executive Board for approval on 12th. February 2009, 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 made a brief presentation to the Policy and Performance Board at the meeting on 19th. November 2008 describing the key factors affecting their service and their main objectives for the coming three years.

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

- i. Major Projects Department
- ii. Highways, Transportation & Logistics
- iii. Economic Regeneration
- iv. Environmental and Regulatory Services (part)
- v. Health and Community (part)

- 3.4 Detailed draft Service Plans will be made available electronically prior to the meeting for further comment by individual Members. Comments additional to those made following the meeting on 19th. November 2008 should be made to the relevant Operational Director by the end of January 2009.

4. **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. **OTHER IMPLICATIONS**

Major Projects, Economic Regeneration, Highways, Transportation & Logistics, Environmental and Regulatory Services (part) and Health and Community (relating to Housing Strategy) all identify the implications of their activities within their individual Service Plans.

6. **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. **RISK ANALYSIS**

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

8. **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.