SCRUTINY COORDINATING COMMITTEE

7th March 2024

PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT UPDATE - QUARTER 3 OF 2023/24

REPORT OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE

1. PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

- 1.1 To provide the Committee with the Corporate Performance Report for Quarter 3 of 2023/24.
- 1.2 The Senior Manager Corporate Strategy will attend the meeting to respond to questions.

2. CORPORATE PERFORMANCE FRAMEWORK

- 2.1 A key element of the Council's Corporate Performance Management Framework is to present, on a quarterly basis, an update to the Scrutiny Coordinating Committee on key performance information for consideration and discussion.
- 2.2 The Council's Corporate Performance Management Framework is aligned to the Sunderland City Plan.
- 2.3 The City Plan covers:
 - A Vision, shared by the members of the Sunderland Partnership, for the Sunderland of 2035
 - Ambitions that guide the city's transformation and the council's associated contribution
 - Three Key Themes Dynamic Smart City, Healthy Smart City and Vibrant Smart City under which the council organises its work and activities to pursue the ambitions
 - A set of Commitments for each key theme under which the council's activities are aligned
 - An Indicative Timeline of Activities illustrating the council's actions across all of the key themes.
- 2.4 The Corporate Performance Report is aligned to the three key themes of the City Plan (*Dynamic Smart City*, *Healthy Smart City* and *Vibrant Smart City*) as well as including additional Council indicators for organisational health / productive & innovative working, financial management and a council ready for the future.
- 2.5 The report sets out the progress made to the end of Quarter 3 of 2023/24, against the City Plan 2023 2035.

- 2.6 Following the City Plan's publication in 2019, an annual review and assurance process has been undertaken each year, to ensure that delivery remains focused on achieving the plan's vision, ambitions and commitments, whilst taking account of changing circumstances and conditions at a local, national and global level.
- 2.7 The annual review and assurance of the City Plan undertaken in early 2023, recognised the impact of the cost-of-living crisis and a need to focus on resilience within the plan. It also recognised the significant achievements made in the first three years of the plan's lifespan through the completion of its Timeline Activity, and therefore the planned activity was substantially refreshed to deliver outcomes to 2035.
- 2.8 The refreshed plan was adopted from 1st April 2023. This report relates to activity and performance in the third quarter of 2023/24.

3 RECOMMENDATION

3.1 The Scrutiny Coordinating Committee is recommended to consider and comment on the information provided in the report.

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