

**Progress in response to recommendations made and issues raised by the Overview and Scrutiny Committee**

<b>March 10-Information Communication and Technology Services Update</b>	
<b>Recommendations</b>	<b>Response/Action</b>
<p>(b) a further progress report be made in 6 months time, noting in particular ongoing work on the interface between the Social Care Framework system with the Council's finance system and Civica software packages; and</p> <p>(c) Councillor WLS Bowen be deputed to discuss access to the intranet for Members to identify and seek to resolve the apparent problems.</p>	<p>Report made on 18 October.</p> <p>Work being undertaken.</p>
<b>July 10 – Annual Corporate Performance Report 2009/10</b>	
<p>the outcome of the Children's Services Committee's consideration of Key Stage 1 &amp; 2 performance, scheduled for consideration 22 October, be reported to this Committee on 29 November</p>	<p>Included in Integrated Performance Report. – 29 November.</p>
<p>1. the Committee recommends to Cabinet that in principle the LAA targets be retained, however: Cabinet should consider whether any of the targets can sensibly be amalgamated or joined up to those used by the PCT. Only those targets that can realistically be achieved should be retained.</p>	<p>Reported to Cabinet September 10. Cabinet noted the recommendations of Overview and Scrutiny Committee to review the indicators in the Local Area Agreement, and agreed that the opportunity be taken to review the indicators and projects that are in the Joint Corporate Plan 2010-13, using the forthcoming review of the Joint Corporate Plan 2010-13 to do this.</p>
<p>The report resulting from the review being undertaken by Constitutional Review Working Group (CRWG) incorporating the wider organisational work stream on Regulatory Functions be circulated to Committee Members.</p>	<p>Reported to Council 19 November.</p>
<p>A briefing note be issued to members of Overview &amp; Scrutiny; Health and Adult Social Care Scrutiny Committees setting out how improvements were being made to address the underperformance against NI131 target 'delayed transfer of care from hospitals'.</p>	<p>Report made to Health Scrutiny Committee. Updated report being prepared for wider circulation.</p>

<b>September 2010 – Integrated Corporate Performance Report</b>	
<b>A briefing note be provided on the eight risks in the Corporate Risk Register which required the appropriate Director to review and update the Register entry.</b>	Circulated 10 November.
<b>September 10 – Budget Monitoring Report</b>	
<b>Briefing notes be circulated on:</b>	
<b>-the use of the spend to save reserve.</b>	Circulated 26 November.
<b>-recoupment of Dedicated Schools grant for the Hereford Academy and the implications of John Kyrle High School achieving academy status;</b>	Circulated 7 October and 11 October respectively.
<b>- how school balances held by the authority were managed;</b>	Circulated 7 October
<b>and the outcome of negotiations on the SHAW contract</b>	To be circulated.
<b>October 2010 – ICT Services Update</b>	
<b>a briefing note be provided on the pilot project looking at equipping frontline staff with mobile equipment to make the data collection process more efficient.</b>	Circulated 6 January.
<b>it be requested that a copy of the broadband policy paper to be provided to JMT in November be circulated to Members.</b>	Policy will be provided upon publication.
<b>staff be firmly reminded of the need to switch off computers on grounds of both cost and environmental considerations;</b>	A First Press series is being run called 'Saving It'. Turning off computers and monitors is scheduled to be included in January.
<b>October 2010 - Project Design and Development/Financial Control of Capital Schemes</b>	
<b>Briefing notes be provided on</b>	(i) Issued 17 December 2010
<b>(i) the control exercised over consultants with particular reference to the Ross flood alleviation scheme and;</b>	
<b>(ii) the scope for schools to undertake small schemes themselves</b>	(ii) To be finalised.
<b>November 210 – Update on Accommodation Programme</b>	
<b>That (a) the issues raised by the Committee be taken into account by the Accommodation Board;</b>	Comments have been shared with the Accommodation Board. The Board is being revised and terms of reference updated.
<b>(b) consideration be given to</b>	

<p>communication with all Members about the accommodation programme and the localities project to ensure that Members were appropriately briefed;</p> <p>(c) the critical role of ICT provision to the success of the accommodation programme be highlighted and full account taken of this in developing the accommodation proposals; and</p> <p>(d) a briefing note be circulated on the costs of consultants employed on the accommodation programme.</p>	<p>A seminar on localities was held for all Members and PCT Board members on 5 November. A further seminar will be held in the New Year and a briefing note will be circulated.</p> <p>Joint Director of ICT advised.</p> <p>Circulated 17 December.</p>
<p><b>November 2010 - Scrutiny Review Of Communication With The Public About Services And Access To Those Services - Executive's Response</b></p>	
<p>That (a) Cabinet's response to the findings of the review of communication with the public about services and access to those services be noted; and</p> <p>(b) a full progress report in response to the scrutiny review be made in the Summer of 2011, with consideration then being given to the need for any further reports to be made.</p>	<p>Noted</p> <p>Noted in work programme</p>
<p><b>November 2010 - Integrated Corporate Performance Report - Quarter 2 2010-11</b></p>	
<p>That (a) the Committee's observations on performance be sent to the Leader of the Council;</p> <p>(b) the Children's Services Scrutiny Committee should be requested to continue to give consideration to educational performance as part of its work programme; and</p> <p>(c) the Committee's concerns about the monitoring of performance against National Indicator 59: % of initial assessments for children's social care carried out within 7</p>	<p>Letters sent 16 December</p> <p>Request Made.</p> <p>Request Made.</p>

<p><b>working days of referral be highlighted.</b></p>	
<p><b>November 2010 – Budget Monitoring Report</b></p>	
<p><b>That (a) the Revenues and Benefits Team be commended for its work in collecting debts;</b></p> <p><b>(b) the Executive be urged to give careful consideration to whether additional cost effective action could be taken to avoid incurring additional costs under the waste disposal contract;</b></p> <p><b>(c) the implications of schools achieving academy status be noted and monitored; and</b></p> <p><b>(d) the Committee’s observations be reported to the Executive.</b></p>	<p>Letter sent to Director of Resources.</p> <p>Leader and Cabinet Member Environment and Strategic Housing notified.</p> <p>Included in budget monitoring reports.</p> <p>Letter sent notifying the Executive 16 December</p>
<p><b>November 2010 – Work Programme</b></p>	
<p><b>Requested that Community Services Scrutiny Committee should consider proposals for the future management of commons as this issue was exciting comment in the community.</b></p> <p><b>Provide Clarification on when the Executive’s proposals for making the Council’s own holdings available for affordable housing will come forward.</b></p>	<p>Submitted for inclusion in the work programme.</p> <p>The evidenced proposals are expected to come forward by March 2011.</p>