

## PERFORMANCE REPORTING – NATIONAL AND LOCAL BEST VALUE PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

Report By: Corporate Policy and Research Manager

### Wards Affected

County-wide

### Purpose

1. To consider the Council's performance against Best Value Performance Indicators (BVPIs) for 2003-2004.

### Financial Implications

2. None identified

### Considerations

3. Following a review of Best Value Performance Plans (BVPP) by the Office of the Deputy Prime Minister (ODPM) during 2003, the Government has streamlined the requirements significantly for authorities categorised as Good or Excellent within the Comprehensive Performance Assessment framework. In particular, it has removed the need for such authorities to publish as part of their BVPP information already in the public domain. Additionally, in line with the Council's wish to integrate planning and performance management, performance reporting against national and local BVPIs is now to be published as an annex to an updated version of the Council's Corporate Plan for 2004-2007.
4. The Council is required to publish performance information for 2003/04 and targets for the next three years by 30th June, 2004. At the meeting of Cabinet on 17th June it was decided that annual performance information should be prepared and presented earlier so that fuller consideration could be given to it. This will be taken forward as part of the thorough review of the corporate planning process and performance reporting of best value indicators this autumn.
5. Following publication of the performance information, further analysis will take place to consider the impact that the outturns for 2003/04 will have on external assessments of the Council. This will help inform the priorities for the next Corporate Plan (2005-2008), and operational plan for 2005-2006.
6. Following publication, an audit of all local authorities performance against BVPIs will be undertaken. Comparative data for all local authorities will then become available from the Audit Commission and the ODPM, normally during December.
7. If further information is required about any of the performance indicators, please contact Kevin Lloyd, Policy Assistant, on (01432) 383401 or e-mail [klloyd@herefordshire.gov.uk](mailto:klloyd@herefordshire.gov.uk).

8. Outturn figures and 3-year targets are attached as:

Appendix 1                      National Performance Indicators

Appendix 2                      Local Performance Indicators

## **RECOMMENDATION**

**THAT the Council's performance against BVPIs for 2003/04 be noted.**

## **BACKGROUND PAPERS**

- None identified.