

**REPORT TO:** COMMUNITIES AND HOUSING SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

**DATE:** 21 JANUARY 2019

**REPORT OF:** CORPORATE DIRECTOR (SERVICES TO PLACE MANAGEMENT AND REGENERATION)

**REPORT TITLE:** PORTFOLIO PERFORMANCE AND RESOURCES – THIRD UPDATE REPORT 2018/19

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## **1. Introduction and Background**

- 1.1 The Third Update Portfolio Performance and Resource Report (PPRR) for the Communities and Housing Portfolio is presented for consideration by the Committee. This report is shorter, and more data-driven, providing highlights and exceptions reflecting progress in delivering the portfolio priorities and budgets since the Mid-Year Report. It includes forecast performance and financial data for the Portfolio, where new data is available, along with an update on the portfolio savings programme.
- 1.2 The new format for the report has been developed following consultation with the Cabinet Member for Reform & Governance, Scrutiny Chairs and the Corporate Leadership Team, as highlighted in the recent all-member email. This is linked to proposals contained within the Support and Governance MTFP work stream (presented to Cabinet on 18 December) which include a reduction in capacity for the Policy, Performance and Reform function. If enacted, this will require changes to Performance and Resources reporting from 2019/20 onwards.
- 1.3 The intention is that this lighter touch report format for Quarter 3 will provide officers with the time to prioritise development of a future, less resource intensive, approach to Performance and Resources reporting and management whilst ensuring that it can continue to provide the level of oversight required for effective scrutiny and decision making.
- 1.4 With a reduced level of detail being provided within the report, Members are asked where possible to direct any questions or requests for further information in advance of the meeting via the respective Democratic Services Manager to enable the timely provision of additional information.
- 1.5 Further engagement to develop these reports for 2019/20 alongside a new web-based Portfolio dashboard product will be ongoing. As part of this, we are seeking feedback from the Committee on the Quarter 3 report, which will be considered at Scrutiny Co-ordination Committee on 4 February and used to inform future proposals.
- 1.6 The report continues to be based on the 2018/19 Portfolio Performance and Resource Agreement (PPRA) which was considered by the Committee on 2 July and approved by Cabinet on 17 July 2018.
- 1.7 In order to ensure the timeliness of these reports, they are considered by Scrutiny Committees ahead of the Corporate Report (CPRR) and Leader's Report being approved at the Cabinet Meeting. This will also allow any significant changes or issues raised to be fed back alongside these reports at the Cabinet Meeting on 5 February.

## 2. Recommendations

Scrutiny Committee is asked to:

- a) Consider the Third Update Portfolio Performance and Resource Report;
- b) Comment on the new approach and format of the report as outlined above;
- c) Review the progress against delivering key projects, priority outcomes, targets and budgets for 2018/19;
- d) Highlight key areas of and responsibility for taking forward corrective action to address any performance or resource issues;
- e) Highlight any significant issues or changes to be fed back to the Cabinet alongside the Corporate Performance and Resource Report; and
- f) Identify how areas of strong performance and good practice can be shared in other services.

### Further Information:

- Previous quarterly Performance and Resource Reports - available at;  
<http://democracy.stockport.gov.uk/ieDocHome.aspx?bcr=1>
- Other Portfolio Performance and Resource Reports for this quarter – published with Scrutiny Agendas (via above link);
- Portfolio Performance and Resource Agreements for 2018/19 – approved by Cabinet on 17 July 2018 are available at;  
<http://scnmodgov.stockport.gov.uk:9070/mgAi.aspx?ID=48172#mgDocuments>
- Council Plan 2018/19 and Medium Term Financial Plan - approved by Council Meeting 22 Feb 2018. Available at;  
[http://scnmodgov.stockport.gov.uk:9070/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=140&MId=23153&Ver=4&\\$LO\\$=1](http://scnmodgov.stockport.gov.uk:9070/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=140&MId=23153&Ver=4&$LO$=1)

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