

REPORT TO: CHILDREN AND FAMILIES SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

DATE: 10 JUNE 2020

**REPORT OF: DIRECTOR OF CHILDREN'S SERVICES
DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION**

**REPORT TITLE: PORTFOLIO PERFORMANCE AND RESOURCES –
ANNUAL REPORT 2019/20**

1. Introduction and Background

- 1.1 The Annual Portfolio Performance and Resource Report (PPRR) for the Children, Family Services and Education Portfolio is presented for consideration by the Committee.
- 1.2 Given the current unprecedented circumstances, it has been agreed that these reports focus on the financial and performance out-turn data for 2019/20, rather than the usual, more comprehensive summary of progress against priorities.
- 1.3 The report is accompanied elsewhere on the Scrutiny agenda by a summary of key activity to support the Council's response to Covid-19, across workstreams within the remit of the Committee.
- 1.4 The PPRR is based on the 2019/20 Portfolio Performance and Resource Agreement (PPRA), which was considered by the Committee on 10 July and approved by Cabinet on 23 July 2019.
- 1.5 Out-turn performance data is reported where available. Provisional data is included in some cases, and the latest data is shown where the full-year figure is not yet available. Exception commentary is also included to provide context to the data.
- 1.6 Reporting arrangements for 2020/21 are currently being finalised, and future reports will reflect the Council's response to the pandemic in terms of priorities and financial plans.
- 1.7 The launch of web-based performance dashboards will also be progressed alongside the 2020/21 reporting arrangements.
- 1.8 In order to ensure the timeliness of these reports, they are considered by Scrutiny Committees ahead of the Corporate Report (CPRR) being submitted to the Cabinet Meeting. This will also allow any significant changes or issues raised to be fed back alongside the Corporate Report at the Cabinet Meeting on 23 June.
- 1.9 Members are asked where possible to direct any detailed 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.

2. Recommendations

Scrutiny Committee is asked to:

- a) Consider the Annual Portfolio Performance and Resource Report;

- b) Review the progress against delivering key targets and budgets for 2019/20;
- c) Highlight key areas of and responsibility for taking forward corrective action to address any performance or resource issues;
- d) Highlight any significant issues or changes to be fed back to the Cabinet alongside the Corporate Performance and Resource Report;
- e) 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 2019/20 – approved by Cabinet on 23 July 2019 are available at; <http://democracy.stockport.gov.uk/mgAi.aspx?ID=53045#mgDocuments>
- Council Plan 2019/20 and Medium Term Financial Plan - approved by Council Meeting Feb 2019. Available at; <http://democracy.stockport.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=140&MId=25395&Ver=4>

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