

## STOCKPORT COUNCIL

### REPORT TO CABINET– SUMMARY SHEET

**Subject:** Corporate Performance and Resources - Mid-Year Report 2020/21

**Report to Cabinet**

**Date: 22 December 2020**

**Report of:** Cabinet Leader and Cabinet Member for Policy, Finance & Devolution

**Key Decision: N**

Forward Plan ☒ General Exception ☐ Special Urgency ☐ (Mark with a Y if applicable)

#### **Summary:**

The Mid-Year Corporate Performance and Resource Report (CPRR) provides a summary of progress in delivering the Council's priority outcomes and budget in the first half of the financial year, with a particular focus on the second quarter of 2020/21 (July – Sept) and up to the end of October where possible.

This report is the first CPRR to be produced for 2020/21 reflecting the 2020/21 Council Plan, MTFP and new Portfolio priorities. It includes additional priorities and delivery plans developed in response to the Covid-19 pandemic. A short Budget Monitoring update was produced for Quarter 1 and presented to Cabinet in July and CRMG Scrutiny in September.

The CPRR includes an executive summary and performance analysis, along with the forecast position on revenue and capital, and a focus on highlights and exceptions during the year to date.

The Corporate Performance Dashboard and seven Portfolio Performance Dashboards were launched alongside this report. This provides further detail for the suite of 'Corporate' measures analysed in Section 2 of the report, including trends, comparative data and commentary. A unique link to the Corporate Performance Dashboard can be found within the CPRR itself.

The CPRR was presented to CRMG Scrutiny alongside the Portfolio Reports for the first time, rather than the following cycle. Whilst this is partly to accommodate the reduction in Committee Cycles, it will also ensure the reports are timelier and avoid duplication.

#### **Comments/Views of the Cabinet Member:**

I'm pleased to present the Mid-Year Corporate Report, setting out progress in delivering the Council's priorities and spending plans during the first half of 2020/21. Nobody could have envisaged the impact the pandemic would have – and continues to have - on all our lives during this period.

Whilst the impact on our budgets and service performance is a recurring theme of these reports, what also comes across is the way in which we continue to rise collectively to these challenges, supporting our local residents, communities and businesses through these turbulent times. This makes me immensely proud, and also gives me the confidence that the sustained effort and sacrifices made will mean that Stockport will emerge stronger and more resilient.

## Recommendation(s) of Cabinet Member:

Cabinet is asked to:

- a) Review progress against delivering Council priorities and capital schemes alongside budget and performance forecasts contained within the report;
- b) Note the key achievements against Shared Priorities (Section 1) and analysis of corporate performance for 2020/21 (Section 2);
- c) Approve the virements to the Revenue Budget set out in section 3.2;
- d) Note the Cash Limit and Non-Cash Limit forecast positions for 2020/21 as set out in section 3.3;
- e) Note the Dedicated Schools Grant, Housing Revenue Account and Collection Fund forecast positions as set out in sections 3.4, 3.5 and 3.6;
- f) Note the appropriations to/from reserves and balances as set out in section 3.7 and note the resulting reserves and balances position as at 31 October 2020;
- g) Note the financial impact of the Covid-19 pandemic set out in section 3.8;
- h) Note the position for the 2020/21 Capital Programme as set out in section 4.1;
- i) Note the changes and re-phasing of capital schemes during the quarter as set out in 4.2 to 4.4;
- j) Approve the resourcing of the capital programme as set out in section 4.5;
- k) Approve the 2020/21 prudential indicators as set out in section 4.6; and
- l) Identify key areas for further investigation and responsibility for taking forward corrective action to address any existing or outturn issues or risks.

## Appendices

1. 2020/21 Revised Budget as at 31 October 2020
2. 2020/21 Housing Revenue Account Forecast as at 31 October 2020
3. Reserves and Balances as at 31 October 2020

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**Relevant Scrutiny Committee** (if decision called in):  
Corporate, Resource Management & Governance

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