

REPORT TO:	CHILDREN AND FAMILIES SCRUTINY COMMITTEE
DATE:	27 NOVEMBER 2025
REPORT OF:	EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR PEOPLE AND INTEGRATION
REPORT TITLE:	PORTFOLIO PERFORMANCE AND RESOURCES – MID-YEAR REPORT 2024/25

1. Introduction and Background

- 1.1 The Mid-Year Portfolio Performance and Resource Report (PPRR) for the Children, Families and Education Portfolio is presented for consideration by the committee.
- 1.2 The Portfolio Report is based on the 2024/25 Portfolio Performance and Resource Agreement (PPRA), which was considered by the Committee on 12 June 2024 and approved by Cabinet on 25 June 2024.
- 1.3 The Mid-Year Report focuses on delivery of the portfolio priorities from April to September 2024. It includes forecast performance and financial data (where this is available) for the portfolio, along with an update on the portfolio savings programme.
- 1.4 The Portfolio Performance Dashboard has been updated to reflect the 2024/25 portfolio priorities, measures and targets. This can be accessed via the hyperlink within the report. This provides access to the latest data, including detailed trend, comparative analysis (where available) and commentary for all portfolio performance measures.
- 1.5 In order to ensure the timeliness of this report, it is considered by Scrutiny Committee 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 10 December.
- 1.6 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 Mid-Year Portfolio Performance and Resource Report;
- b) Review the progress against delivering key projects, priority outcomes, targets and budgets for 2024/25;
- 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 can be accessed via the various Scrutiny Committee agendas - available [here](#).
- Other Portfolio Performance and Resource Reports for this quarter, are also available through the above link;
- Portfolio Performance and Resource Agreements for 2024/25 – approved by Cabinet on June 25 2024 are available [here](#).
- Council Plan 2024-27 and Medium Term Financial Plan (Financial Landscape and Forecasts 2024/25 to 2027/28) - approved by Council Meeting 22 Feb 2024. Available [here](#).

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