

**ENVIRONMENT PDG
12 JANUARY 2021:**

PERFORMANCE AND RISK REPORT

Cabinet Members Cllr Colin Slade and Cllr Elizabeth Wainwright
Responsible Officer Catherine Yandle, Group Manager for Performance, Governance and Data Security

Reason for Report: To provide Members with an update on performance against the Corporate Plan and local service targets for 2020-21 as well as providing an update on the key business risks.

RECOMMENDATION(S): That the PDG reviews the Performance Indicators and Risks that are outlined in this report and feeds back any areas of concern to the Cabinet.

Relationship to Corporate Plan: Corporate Plan priorities and targets are effectively maintained through the use of appropriate performance indicators and regular monitoring.

Financial Implications: None identified

Budget and Policy Framework: None identified

Legal Implications: None identified

Risk Assessment: If performance is not monitored we may fail to meet our corporate and local service plan targets or to take appropriate corrective action where necessary. If key business risks are not identified and monitored they cannot be mitigated effectively.

Equality Impact Assessment: No equality issues identified for this report.

Impact on Climate Change: This PDG has been tasked with considering the Council's own policy response(s) to the Climate Change Declaration made at Full Council on 26 June 2019.

1.0 Introduction

1.1 Appendix 1 provides Members with details of performance against the Corporate Plan and local service targets for the 2020-21 financial year.

1.2 Appendix 2 shows the section of the Corporate Risk Register which relates to the Environment Portfolio. See 3.0 below.

1.3 Appendix 3 shows the profile of all risks for the Environment at present.

1.4 All appendices are produced from the corporate Service Performance And Risk management system (SPAR).

2.0 Performance

Environment Appendix 1A

- 2.1 Regarding the Corporate Plan Aim: **Increase recycling and reduce the amount of waste**; Covid 19 had an impact on the amount of waste created by households particularly for Q1. The recycling rate has been very slightly above target for the last 3 months.
- 2.2 On 3 December Cabinet voted to approve this PDG's recommendation to approve a new waste collection trial. The trial is part of a process to improve recycling rates as well as reduce emissions from collection vehicles. It will also help the Council to meet with Government guidelines to recycle 65% of household waste by 2035 and Devon's proposed 60% target rate by 2025. The trial, which will include both rural and urban areas, should begin in early summer and will last for a minimum of three months.

Climate Change Appendix 1B

- 2.3 Mid Devon's push towards its carbon reduction target has received a boost with the installation of solar panels at its Carlu Close depot. The Willand based depot, which is home to the Council's Street Scene teams, now has panels covering 250m² of its roof space, meaning the 147 panels can produce almost 50kW of energy per hour. The initial investment should be paid back in less than six years due to the electricity generated to power the site, meaning less reliance on the National Grid as an energy source, and the ability for the Council to sell back some of the unused power.

3.0 Risk

- 3.1 Risk reports to committees include strategic risks with a current score of 10 or more in accordance with the Risk and Opportunity Management Strategy. (See Appendix 2)
- 3.2 Operational risk assessments are job specific and flow through to safe systems of work. These risks go to the Health and Safety Committee biannually with escalation to committees where serious concerns are raised.
- 3.3 The Corporate Risk Register is regularly reviewed by Group Managers and Leadership Team and updated as required.

4.0 Conclusion and Recommendation

- 4.1 That the PDG reviews the performance indicators and risks for 2020-21 that are outlined in this report and feeds back any areas of concern to the Cabinet.

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