

# Scrutiny Management Board



Date of meeting:	12 November 2025
Title of Report:	<b>Corporate Reporting – Scrutiny Management Board update</b>
Lead Member:	Councillor Chris Penberthy (Cabinet Member for Housing, Cooperative Development, and Communities)
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Your Reference:	CPMR_2025-26_Q2_UPDATE(PS)SMB
Key Decision:	No
Confidentiality:	Part I - Official

## Purpose of Report

### Corporate Reporting – Scrutiny Management Board update

This briefing provides an update on the Quarter Two Corporate Plan Monitoring Report for 2025/26 and the current work of the Corporate Performance Team. It explains the timeline for completing the quarterly report, outlines the team's structure and responsibilities, and confirms that work is underway to review and strengthen the council's performance reporting framework.

### Recommendations and Reasons

1. That Scrutiny Management Board notes the current position and timeline for delivery of the Corporate Plan Monitoring Report for Quarter Two of 2025/26.

Reason: To provide the Scrutiny Management Board with a general update of progress of the report and anticipated steps with regards to the Performance and Accountability Framework.

### Alternative options considered and rejected

Not applicable.

### Relevance to the Corporate Plan and/or the Plymouth Plan

The Corporate Plan Monitoring Report shows progress/delivery against the Corporate Plan

### Implications for the Medium Term Financial Plan and Resource Implications:

The Medium Term Financial Strategy is a core component of the Council's strategic framework and has a vital role to play in translating the Council's ambition and priorities set out in the Corporate Plan 2023-26.

## Financial Risks

Associated risks regarding performance are managed within the strategic and operational risk registers.

## Legal Implications

(Provided by Liz Bryant (LB))

All local authorities are required under the Local Government Act 1999 to secure continuous improvement in the way their functions are exercised, having regard to economy, efficiency and effectiveness. The Corporate Plan sets out how the Council meets this duty and provides a clear framework for corporate priorities and improvement actions whilst also supporting compliance with legal expectations. Oversight of delivery against the Corporate Plan by quarterly reporting to Scrutiny Committee and Cabinet ensures transparency, accountability and performance monitoring, all of which play a critical role in ensuring delivery against the corporate priorities of the Council.

## Carbon Footprint (Environmental) Implications:

Environmental sustainability is a key priority of the administration, and the waste management, recycling and traffic management commitments are specifically aimed at reducing the city's carbon footprint.

## Other Implications: e.g. Health and Safety, Risk Management, Child Poverty:

*\* When considering these proposals members have a responsibility to ensure they give due regard to the Council's duty to promote equality of opportunity, eliminate unlawful discrimination and promote good relations between people who share protected characteristics under the Equalities Act and those who do not.*

## Appendices

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## Background papers:

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Originating Senior Leadership Team member: Professor Steve Maddern (Director of Public Health)											
Please confirm the Strategic Director(s) has agreed the report? Yes via Ruth Harrell Date agreed: 31/10/2025											
Cabinet Member approval: Councillor Chris Penberthy (Cabinet Member for Housing, Cooperative Development, and Communities) Date approved: 31/10/2025											