

CORPORATE REPORTING – SCRUTINY MANAGEMENT BOARD UPDATE

Corporate Performance Team



Corporate Plan Monitoring Report for Quarter Two

Quarter two of 2025/26 ended on 30 September. Gathering of the data needed for the report started in early October, running in parallel with other activities including various monthly reports and some statutory returns.

Updating of the Corporate Plan Monitoring Report for quarter two is well underway. However, it is important to note that although some of the council's information is available within the first few working days, this is not the case for all information. We are currently obtaining the final data needed from our partners and colleagues from across the council.

Unfortunately, the time available between the end of quarter (30 September) and the dispatch deadline (3 November) is not sufficient to gather the data, update the report and ensure the content is fully reviewed through the appropriate governance process.

As outlined following delivery of the quarter four report for 2024/25, for Corporate Plan Monitoring Reports relating to 2025/26, the narrative will relate to the data held within the report.

It is anticipated that the first draft of the report will enter the reviewing process early to mid-November and once finalised will be presented at Cabinet on 08 December.

Corporate Performance Team

At present, the Corporate Performance Team is comprised of three Performance Advisors and two Data Analyst Apprentices. The team aims to:

- maintain and continuously improve the council's corporate performance reporting and support its risk management process,
- provide colleagues across the council with advice and guidance in relation to performance reporting,
- support directorates (where needed) with their statutory returns, inspections and reporting to partnerships, and
- provide the Children's Services directorate with a significant proportion of its internal performance reports.

Delivery of Corporate Performance Reports

The Corporate Performance Team recognises that there are currently gaps in the delivery of corporate performance reports. For example, at present Children's Services and the Customer & Corporate Services directorates both receive monthly performance scorecards, but this is not currently in place for the other directorates who rely on their internal reporting currently.

Whilst we have improved on existing reports and introduced some new reports, there is more we can do to move our corporate performance reporting forward, including more accessible automated reporting.

Following their recent commencement with the council, we will be working with Si Bellamy (Chief Operating Officer) and Councillor Penberthy during November to revisit the council's Performance and Accountability Framework and reset its approach to Corporate Performance Reporting.