

Cabinet



Date of meeting:	08 December 2025
Title of Report:	Corporate Plan Monitoring Report 2025-26 Q2
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)CAB
Key Decision:	No
Confidentiality:	Part I - Official

Purpose of Report

Corporate Plan Monitoring Report - Quarter Two of 2025/26: Executive Summary

This report provides Cabinet with a comprehensive assessment of Plymouth City Council's performance against the Corporate Plan 2023-2026 priorities during quarter two of 2025/26, demonstrating how the administration's vision for Plymouth as one of Europe's most vibrant waterfront cities continues to drive service delivery and strategic decision-making.

Key points:

Plymouth City Council continues to advance its strategic priorities, with notable successes alongside some persistent challenges. The Council is managing increasing service demand whilst maintaining quality. It is delivering against its priorities whilst managing resource pressures, with key focus needed on unlocking stalled housing developments, understanding the decline in community participation, and addressing NHS dental access.

Recommendations and Reasons

That Cabinet notes the Corporate Plan Monitoring Report, Quarter Two of 2025/26.

Reason: To update Cabinet on the performance of the Council in terms of progress in delivering against the Corporate Plan.

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.*

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A	Corporate Reporting – Scrutiny Management Board Update							

Background papers:

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