



Chester-le-Street
District Council

Report to:	Council
Date of Meeting:	1 March 2007
Report from:	Assistant Chief Executive
Title of Report:	Best Value Performance Plan Summary 2007
Agenda Item Number:	10

1. PURPOSE AND SUMMARY

- 1.1 To seek Members' endorsement of the Best Value Performance Plan (BVPP) Summary 2007. A Copy of this is attached to the report.
- 1.2 This short document is being presented alongside annual Council Tax information, and is being sent to all households within the District.
- 1.3 The summary briefly sets out what the council has achieved during the last year, some key performance data, and what we plan to do in the future. It also provides brief details of feedback from both residents and the Audit Commission.

2. CONSULTATION

- 2.1 No consultation was necessary for this report or summary document. The information has been drawn from performance management reports for the first 3 quarters of 2006/07, service plans and other strategic action plan monitoring.

3. CORPORATE PLAN AND PRIORITIES

- 3.1 The BVPP summary gives a brief overview on how the council has performed against all of the corporate plan priorities.

4. IMPLICATIONS

4.1 Financial and value for money statement

By producing this summary as part of a larger Council Tax document there are resultant savings. Members will be advised verbally at Council as to the anticipated savings to be made. It is considered that delivery of this statutory document in this specific way does provide a value for money approach

4.2 Legal

The Council currently has a statutory duty to produce a best value performance plan by the end of March each year.

4.3 Personnel

There are no personnel implications relating to this document.

4.4 Other Services

None

4.5 Diversity

The document will be made available in a range of formats and languages, on request to ensure that those with reading, disability or language difficulties can access it.

4.6 Risk

Low level of risk relating to publishing summary on time.

4.7 Crime and Disorder

There are no specific implications of the report on Crime and Disorder.

4.8 Other implications

The full best value performance plan will form part of the corporate plan, which will be submitted to council for approval and publishing by the end of June. An article has also been placed within the Spring edition of District News to further bring the document to the attention of residents.

5 BACKGROUND, POSITION STATEMENT AND OPTION APPRAISAL

- 5.1 Under the Local Government Act 2000, there is still a requirement for local authorities to produce a best value performance plan summary by 31st March each year. The attached document addresses that requirement.
- 5.2 The information will be distributed to all households within the District, along with council tax information. The document is designed to set out the council's progress of improvement and outline latest customer satisfaction performance. In addition against each priority the document sets out what was asked of us, what we have achieved, including relevant performance information and what we are going to do next. Detailed information will be provided in this years Corporate Plan which will be published in June and incorporate the Best Value Performance Plan.
- 5.3 An article has also been placed within the Spring edition of District News to further bring the document to the attention of residents.

6 MONITORING

- 6.1 There is no requirement to monitor this summary document.

7 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 7.1 It is recommended that Council approves and adopts the attached Best Value Performance Plan Summary.

8 BACKGROUND PAPERS

- 8.1 Quarterly performance management reports
- 8.2 Service plans
- 8.3 Programme Management Board reports

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