

<b>SUBJECT:</b>	Draft Annual Report 2014
<b>REPORT OF:</b>	Chief Executive

### 1. Purpose of Report

To present the draft Annual Report to Cabinet for review and approval.

### 2. Links to Council Policy Objectives

Effective performance monitoring underpins our progress towards our Council Aims and reflects our management principles, particularly “Delivering cost -effective services which offer value for money”. It is important that we are able to demonstrate a record of achievement, both in terms of quality of service and continuous improvement.

### 3. Background

Provisions in the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007 removed the requirement for best value authorities to compile and publish an annual Best Value Performance Plan (BVPP). It was agreed by Council in 2008 that a shorter version of the BVPP be produced renamed ‘Annual Report’ and this would be completed on an annual basis. This has continued throughout the introduction and removal of the National Indicator set, since when a shorter, more focused list of performance indicators have been selected for monitoring and reporting purposes.

### 4. Proposal/Discussion

The Annual Report will be made available to all residents and our partners via our website. In addition a copy will be sent to all Parish Councils and local libraries. The Annual Report sets out:

- ◆ top level aims and priorities of the Council;
- ◆ a summary of the key achievements in the last year against each of the Council’s aims;
- ◆ future areas for improvement with key improvement changes we are planning to make;
- ◆ a financial summary of council resources and spending for 2013/14;
- ◆ outturn performance indicator data for 2013/14 with targets for the next three years;

It is important to keep local residents informed on the performance and financial standing of the Council.

### 5. Resources - Performance indicators are a useful tool to help monitor the progress the Council is making to improve service delivery.

**Financial** - Effective performance management links to budgeting and can assist the budgeting process.

**Legal** - None.

**Risks issues** - monitoring performance highlights where targets are being missed and areas of increasing risk to target achievement.

**Others** - No other relevant implications have been identified.

### 6. Recommendation

Cabinet are asked to approve the 2014 Annual Report for publication and to forward any amendments they wish to make to the Policy and Performance Team by 29<sup>th</sup> July 2014.

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<b>Background Papers:</b>	None