

CABINET RESPONSE TO COUNCIL OVERVIEW BOARD

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S 6 MONTH REPORT
(considered by Council Overview Board on 1 July 2015)**

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

1. The Chief Executive and Staff are congratulated on their hard work contributing to the report.
2. That the Chief Executive's 6 month report continue to be presented to Full Council in future years.
3. That future reports include key milestones and targets in relation to the Council's priorities.
4. That the Four Priorities for the next 6 months, as set out in the Chief Executive's report, are endorsed by the Scrutiny Board.

RESPONSE:

I would like to join the Council Overview Board in congratulating the Chief Executive and Staff for their hard work contributing to the 6 month report. Despite the challenges we face, there are some great examples within the report of how this Council continues to make a positive difference to Surrey residents.

I am glad that Members find the report useful and support the request for it to be presented to Full Council in future years.

The report is part of a suite of documents which provide Members with information on the Council's priorities and performance. Reports such as our Corporate Strategy and Annual Report include further detail on our key milestones and targets, and the Chief Executive's 6 month report should be read alongside these other documents. Members can also keep up to date on progress against our corporate priorities on our new performance web pages (<https://performance.surreycc.gov.uk>). However, I have asked the Chief Executive to be mindful of the feedback from Members regarding milestones and targets when drafting future reports.

I am pleased that the Council Overview Board approves the four priorities as set out in the report. We will need a strong focus on these priorities if we are to meet our corporate responsibilities in 2016 and beyond. I hope that the Overview and Scrutiny function can support the organisation in achieving these goals through continuing to offer robust challenge.

On behalf of the Cabinet, I endorse these recommendations.

**David Hodge
Leader of the Council
29 July 2015**

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