

Committee: EXTRAORDINARY COUNCIL
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Title: BEST VALUE PERFORMANCE PLAN 2003/04
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Summary

- 1 The purpose of this report is to seek approval for the Best Value Performance Plan as attached.

Background

- 2 This is the fourth Best Value Performance Plan produced by the authority. The authority is required under Section 6 of the Local Government Act 1999 to produce a Best Value Performance Plan each year. This must be published by 30th June 2003. The Best Value Performance Plan is seen as the key means by which authorities report performance and priorities for improvement. While the BVPP is a public document, its principal audiences are seen as the staff and elected members of the authority, the regulatory bodies and central Government.
- 3 The Plan is subject to statutory audit and will feed into the wider assessment of the authority's approach to securing continuous improvement as part of the Comprehensive Performance Assessment.
- 4 The BVPP covers the performance of the authority during 2002/03 and sets out main priorities for 2003/04 as currently approved. The Plan also contains details of targets for service delivery during 2004/05 and 2005/06.
- 5 According to regulations, the BVPP must contain:
 - A summary of the authority's strategic objectives and priorities for improvement;
 - Progress in, and future plans for, delivering local and national priorities;
 - Details of past, current and planned performance against local and national indicators;
 - Brief summary of financial information
 - Brief statement on contracts

These requirements are reflected in the attached draft.

Financial Implications

- 3 Printing costs and other associated costs will be met from the Best Value Budget.

RECOMMENDED THAT:

The Council:

- (1) Adopts the Best Value Performance Plan for 2003/04 subject to any changes that may be agreed at the extraordinary meeting of the Council;
- (2) That a small group of Members is established to act as a reference point for any additional changes that may be required to the Best Value Performance Plan.