NEATH PORT TALBOT COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

Social Care, Health & Housing Scrutiny Committee

17th November 2016

REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF SOCIAL CARE, HEALTH & HOUSING Matter for Monitoring

Wards Affected: ALL

Report Title

Corporate Improvement Objective – Prosperity for All - Highlight Report – Quarter 2 (April 1st – 30th September) 2016-17

Purpose of the Report

To provide Members with the Prosperity for All Highlight Report – Quarter 2 2016-17 for Housing which provides a progress update for the first six months of 2016-17 for one of the Corporate Improvement Plan objectives which fall within the remit of the Social Care, Health & Housing Committee. This will enable the Social Care, Health & Housing Committee Scrutiny Members to discharge their functions in relation to performance management.

The Prosperity for All improvement Objective covers three areas, Regeneration, Anti-poverty and Housing. Anti-poverty and Regeneration progress will be reported to their relevant scrutiny committees.

Summary

The continued interest in the Houses into Homes Loan Scheme has seen a significant improvement and the delivery process for the issuing of Home Improvement Loans is continually being reviewed and is on target to exceed the number of properties that were made warm safe and secure during 2015-16.

The Review of the Homelessness Service remains on target for completion in the late autumn of 2016 and the recommendations being implemented in April 2017. Preparatory work is ongoing regarding the Homelessness

Strategy and remains on target for the production of a draft document in 2017.

NPT Homes continues to make excellent progress in the delivery of its major investment programme and remains on target to achieve WHQS.

Financial Impact

The performance described in the attached highlight report is being delivered against a challenging financial backdrop.

Equality Impact Assessment

There are no equality impacts associated with this report.

Workforce Impacts

There are no workforce impacts associated with this report.

Legal Impacts

To support the discharge of the duty placed on the Council, as contained within the Local Government (Wales) Measure 2009, to 'make arrangements to secure continuous improvement in the exercise of its functions'.

Risk Management

Failure to have robust performance monitoring arrangements could result in poor performance going undetected.

Consultation

No requirement to consult on this item.

Recommendation

For Members to note the progress report for the Prosperity for All corporate improvement objective as contained within the attached highlight report.

Reasons for Proposed Decision

Matter for monitoring. No decision required.

Implementation of Decision

Matter for monitoring. No decision required.

Appendices

Appendix 1 – Prosperity for All - Highlight Report – Quarter 2 2016-17

List of Background Papers

The Neath Port Talbot Corporate Improvement Plan - 2016/2019 "Rising to the Challenge";

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