

NEATH PORT TALBOT COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

Environment, Regeneration and Streetscene ServicesCabinet Board

Report of the Director of Environment and Regeneration N. Pearce

6th October 2023

Matter for Monitoring

Wards Affected: All Wards

Report Title: Performance Measures 2023/2024 – Quarter 1

(1st April 2023 – 30th June 2023)

Purpose of the Report:

To report Quarter 1 Performance Management Data (Appendix 1) -1^{st} April 2023 -30^{th} June 2023, Environment, Regeneration and Streetscene Services Cabinet Board. This will enable the Environment, Regeneration and Streetscene Services Cabinet Board and Scrutiny Members to discharge their functions in relation to Performance Management.

Executive Summary:

Appendix 1 – Performance Measures

New quarterly performance reports are reported to members from the 1st quarter 2023/24. This new format moves away from the table format that we have previously reported for a number of years, to a graph format. The reports will also include more cumulative quarterly trend data. The new reports are visually better and include a performance summary doughnut within the cover page.

These new formats also take into account feedback from Cabinet Scrutiny Committee members on the previous performance reports format. Members will receive performance scrutiny training during October 2023 which will include a section on the new reports format.

Performance Measures that have improved on or achieved target are GREEN status, Performance Measures that have not achieved target but performance is within 5% are AMBER status, Performance Measures that are 5% or more below target are RED status. Performance Measures that appear as BLUE status are 'Not suitable for comparison' and are for information only.

Where available, Performance Measures report Quarter 1 target, and 3 years of Quarter 1 data for comparison.

There are 23 measures reported in the period. 13 are improving or on target, 3 are within 5% of previous year's Quarter 1 . 7 measures are not suitable for comparison.

The 13 measures improving or on target are:

- Two building control measures, both achieving 100%; All four planning measures and includes a significant improvement relating to the enforcement related measure;
- Percentage of waste, reused, recycled or composted is broadly the same as the previous year and above the statutory target of 64%. Officers have recently started to introduce the Waste Strategy action plan (agreed April 2023) with the aim of achieving the 70% recycling target by 2024/25;
- 100% of waste enforcement prosecutions/penalties were successful;
- Average days to remove fly tipping incidents is within target and the number of reported fly tipping incidents has reduced;

- 29 people were helped into work, training or volunteering by the Workways Team;
- 276 businesses enquires assisted in the 1st quarter; On average, just over a day to repair street lamp failures.

The three measures showing as Amber and reported as within 5% of previous year's quarter 1 performance relates to kilogrammes of residual waste generated per person and household missed collections for both refuse and recycling which have increased.

7 measures not suitable for comparison are mostly measures reported for information. Although 1 was unable to report data for quarter 1,the jobs created measure , explanation is provided with the data. In addition, there were no reported flooding incidents across the borough in the period

Appendix 2 – Compliments & Complaints

A list of Compliments and Complaints data, collected in line with the Council's Comments, Compliments & Complaints Policy for Cabinet and relevant Cabinet Board purviews.

Background:

The Performance Measures in Appendix 1 are all selected from Service Recovery Plans (SRPs).

Where possible, each Performance Measure will show a link how it contributes to at least one of the council's well-being objectives. If a Performance Measure does not directly link then it has been linked to the Governance and Resource theme.

Financial Impact:

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

Integrated Impact Assessment:

There is no requirement to undertake an Integrated Impact Assessment as this report is for monitoring / information purposes.

Valleys Communities Impacts:

No implications.

Workforce Impacts

The progress described in this report was achieved whilst the workforce continued to respond to and continue to recover from the impacts of the pandemic.

Legal Impacts:

This report is prepared under:

- The Local Government (Wales) Measure 2009 and discharges the Council's duties to "make arrangements to secure continuous improvement in the exercise of its functions"
- 2) Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015
- 3) The Neath Port Talbot County Borough Council Constitution requires each Cabinet committee to monitor quarterly budgets and performance in securing continuous improvement of all the functions within its purview.

Risk Management Impacts:

Failure to provide a suitable monitoring report within the timescales could lead to non-compliance with our Constitution. Also, failure to have robust performance monitoring arrangements in place could result in poor performance going undetected.

Consultation:

There is no requirement under the Constitution for external consultation on this item.

Recommendations:

For Members to monitor performance contained within this report.

Reasons for Proposed Decision:

Matter for monitoring, no decision is required.

Implementation of Decision:

Matter for monitoring, no decision required.

Appendices:

Appendix 1 – Performance Measures – Quarter 1 Performance (1st April 2023 – 30th June 2023)

Appendix 2 – Compliments and Complaints information – Quarter 1 2023/2024 (1 April 2023 – 30 June 2023)

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