

CABINET – 5 JULY 2004

PRINCIPAL SCRUTINY COMMITTEE – 6 JULY 2004

MODERNISATION AND IMPROVEMENT PLAN – 2004/05 FIRST QUARTER MONITOR

REPORT OF CHIEF EXECUTIVE

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RECENT REFERENCES:

Council Paper CL18: Modernisation & Improvement Plan – 14 April 2004

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Following the CPA Inspection in the autumn of last year, together with a number of other opportunities to review the way the Council works, CMT and Cabinet prepared a Modernisation & Improvement Plan to set out key changes and improvements which need to be tackled over the three years to 2006/07. The Plan focuses on 'corporate' improvements from the articulation of our policy direction, through corporate planning and structures, to procedures and, more generally, the way we do business. It also highlights a small number of key service improvements.

Council approved the Plan in April, when they agreed it should be monitored on a quarterly basis by Cabinet and Principal Scrutiny. The attachment to this report shows progress over the first quarter for all actions to be completed in 2004/05.

The appendix gives a simple indication of progress against targets set in the M&IP. It shows whether or not the task has either been completed or is on track for completion (recognising that the M&IP gives end dates, and in many cases work will have to start significantly in advance of those dates). Symbols indicate whether or not we are on track or have completed work.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

- 1 That Cabinet and Principal Scrutiny note the report, comment on progress made thus far and seek reassurance that targets will be met.

Relevance to Corporate Strategy

These improvements will ensure the Council is best placed to deliver the Corporate Strategy.

Resource Implications

These were considered during the budgetary and business planning process.

BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS:

Comprehensive Performance Assessment, Winchester City Council

APPENDICES:

Modernisation and Improvement Plan - First Quarter Monitor Report