

**REPORT TO: POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE ON 30<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2010**

**SUBJECT: ASSET MANAGEMENT PLANNING**

**BY: CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER**

**1. REASON FOR REPORT**

- 1.1 To provide the Committee with a report on the work undertaken across the Council to develop asset management planning in 2009/10.
- 1.2 To provide the Committee with an updated Corporate Asset Management Plan for 2010/11.
- 1.3 This report is submitted to Committee in terms of Section A (41) of the Council's Administrative Scheme relating to the formulation, implementation and review of asset management policies and practices.

**2. RECOMMENDATION**

**2.1 It is recommended that the Committee:**

- (a) **Consider and note the reports of work done during 2009/10 to develop asset management planning**
- (b) **Approve the updated Corporate Asset Management Plan for 2010/11**

**3. BACKGROUND**

- 3.1 Policy & Resources Committee approved the Council's first Corporate Asset Management Plan on 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2008 and approved an updated plan for 2009/10 on 30<sup>th</sup> June 2009.
- 3.2 Progress against this plan was reported to this Committee on 20<sup>th</sup> October 2009.

**4. 2009/10 REPORT ON PROGRESS**

- 4.1 The actions approved in the Corporate Asset Management Plan 2008/09 and progress against these are itemised in **APPENDIX A** to this report.
- 4.2 A number of key areas are being progressed as part of the Designing Better Services Programme.

- 4.3 The School Estate Management Plan is being updated and is due for completion in May 2010.
- 4.4 In addition to this work the Housing Section prepared an Asset Management Strategy for 2010-2013 which was approved by Communities Committee on 16<sup>th</sup> February 2010.
- 4.5 The Council has also invested in a Roads Asset Management System and work in this area is ongoing.

## **5. CORPORATE ASSET MANAGEMENT PLAN 2010/11**

- 5.1 The updated plan has been informed by progress against the 2009/10 plan and the Designing Better Services Programme.
- 5.2 The Corporate Management Team is developing a forward strategy to deal with the large scale reductions in public expenditure anticipated over the next few years. The strategy is likely to impact on the asset management work plan and the 2009/10 plan may well require to be adjusted accordingly. If this is the case a revised work plan will be reported to this committee.

## **6. SUMMARY OF IMPLICATIONS**

### ***(a) Single Outcome Agreement/Service Improvement Plan***

Asset Management Planning is the key to delivering Local Priorities 4, 8 and 10.

### **(b) Policy and Legal**

There are no Policy and Legal implications arising from this report.

### **(c) Resources (Financial, Risks, Staffing and Property)**

There are no resource implications arising directly from this report.

### **(d) Consultations**

Members of the Asset Management Working Group have been consulted in the preparation of this report.

## **7. CONCLUSION**

- 7.1 The Corporate Asset Management Plan summarises the Asset Management Planning position across all asset types and sets the framework for capital planning. It sets out the actions planned for the coming financial year to progress Asset Management Planning in the Council.

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Background Papers:

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