

TITLE OF REPORT: **Making Gateshead a Place Where Everyone Thrives – six month assessment of performance and delivery 2018/2019**

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SUMMARY

This report provides the six month assessment of performance and delivery for the period 1 April 2018 to 30 September 2018 in relation to the Council's Thrive agenda.

Background

1. The report forms part of the Council's performance management framework and gives an overview of progress for the priorities appropriate to the remit of the Communities and Place Overview and Scrutiny Committee (OSC) and the Community Safety Sub OSC.
2. The Council's new strategic approach Making Gateshead a Place Where Everyone Thrives, was approved by Cabinet in March 2018 to ensure the Council continues to get the best outcomes for local people and remains a viable and sustainable organisation into the future.
3. As part of the Council's performance management framework, five year targets were replaced with a single 2020 target with strategic indicators identified as either target or tracker indicators. These targets were approved by Cabinet on 12 July 2016. There are proposed changes to several of the Community Safety Sub-OSC strategic outcome indicators outlined in paragraph 5; these will be presented to Cabinet in January 2019 for approval.

Delivery and Performance

4. The six month assessment of performance for 2018-19 focuses on the achievements and actions undertaken during the period 1 April 2018 – 30 September 2018. Areas for future improvement are also identified.
5. The strategic indicators aligned to both committees have been reviewed to ensure they are appropriate in measuring performance in respect of the Thrive agenda. Implementation of new strategic indicators will be developed for Culture and Leisure and introduced as part of the 2019/20 performance reporting cycle. There are five strategic indicators for Community Safety Sub-OSC that require amending, one that is proposed to be deleted and a new indicator proposed and these will be presented to Cabinet in January 2019.

Recommendation

6. It is recommended that the Communities and Place OSC:
 - (i) consider whether the activities undertaken during this timeframe are supporting delivery of the Thrive agenda;

- (ii) agree that the report be referred to Cabinet on 22 January 2019, with the recommendations from this OSC, for consideration as part of the composite report relating to the Council's overall performance.

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