

FLINTSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Date of Meeting	Tuesday 26 th September 2023
Report Subject	Annual Performance Report 2022/23
Report Author	Chief Executive

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Annual Performance Report 2022/23 gives an overview of the performance of the Council during 2022/23 against the priorities set within our Council Plan 2022/23 and progress against our Well-being Objectives;

- Protecting people from poverty by supporting them to meet their basic needs
- Housing in Flintshire meeting the needs of our residents and supporting safer communities
- Limiting the impact of the Council's services on the natural environment and supporting the wider communities of Flintshire to reduce their own carbon footprint
- Enabling a sustainable economic recovery and growth
- Supporting people in need to live as well as they can
- Enabling and Supporting Learning Communities

The Annual Performance Report 2022/23 also provides;

- Actual and comparative performance information.
- The Council's performance against the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015, Five Ways of Working and our Own Well-being objectives.

2022/23 has seen the Council move out of the recovery approach as part of the pandemic and move into a more 'business as usual' approach. Performance against the Council Plan measures was positive overall with 61% of the performance indicators meeting or exceeding target for the year and we are also now reporting on more 'Actions' and 'Measures' than in 2021/22; a total of 160 Actions and 111 Measures compared to 2021/22 when 144 Actions and 60 Measures were reported upon.

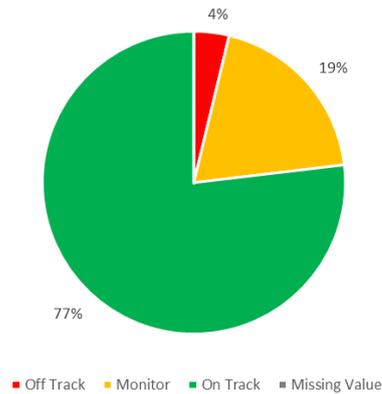
RECOMMENDATIONS

1	Cabinet to approve the 2022/23 Annual Performance Report noting the performance achieved.
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REPORT DETAILS

1.00	EXPLAINING THE ANNUAL PERFORMANCE REPORT 2022/23
1.01	<p>The Annual Performance Report (the Report) is produced in accordance with two key legislations;</p> <p><u>Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015</u></p> <p>The performance and governance provisions in the Act are framed within the context of the well-being duty in the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015 which sets out a legally binding common purpose for the public bodies subject to that Act to improve the social, economic, environmental, and cultural well-being of Wales. It sets out seven well-being goals which these public bodies must work towards and five ways of working to guide how public bodies should deliver.</p> <p><u>Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act 2021</u></p> <p>Councils are democratically accountable for the performance of their services, including their governance arrangements. They are supported through external audit, inspection and regulatory bodies who have a key role in assuring the quality of our public services in Wales</p>
1.02	<p>The Annual Performance Report must be approved by the full Council prior to publication.</p>
1.03	<p>The Annual Performance Report for 2022/23 reviews our progress;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Council Plan 2022/23 performance and Well-being Objectives• Areas of high performance• Regulatory, audit and inspection activity• Progress against the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015, sustainable development principles and goals.
1.04	<p><u>Council Plan 2022/23 Performance</u></p> <p>Performance for 2022/23 against our Council Plan Actions and Measures are summarised in the charts below;</p>

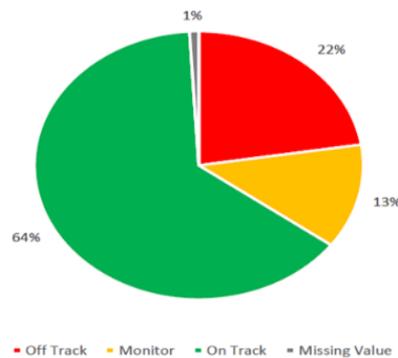
Council Plan - Action RAG Status



In summary our overall progress against the actions are;

- Good (green) progress was achieved in 77% (123) of activities
- Satisfactory (amber) progress was achieved in 19% (31) of activities
- Limited (red) progress was made in 4% (6) of activities

Council Plan - Measure RAG Status



In summary our overall progress against the measures are;

- On Track (green) 71 (64%) measures achieved the target
- Monitor (amber) 14 (13%) measures are being monitored
- Off Track (red) 25 (22%) measures missed target
- Missing Value 1 (1%) measure have not been fully updated for End of year (Q4)*

Due to unforeseen circumstances, we are unable to report against 1 of the measures for 2022/23

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Areas of High Performance

The report highlights areas of high performance amongst all the Portfolio's and all that has been achieved during the last financial year.

Examples include;

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Welsh Language Officer delivered 13 projects with 7,346 children and young people benefitting. These projects have promoted the Welsh language greatly • ‘In-year’ Council Tax collection levels for 2022/23 were 97.4% • £12.5 million of Welsh Government funding was secured for 100+ new social rented homes.
1.06	<p><u>Regulation, Audit and Inspection Activity</u></p> <p>The Audit Wales publishes an Annual Audit Summary Report each year on behalf of the Auditor General for Wales. This report is currently being produced for Flintshire which will summarise its findings and give recommendations from the various reports that have been produced.</p> <p>The Auditor General has not made any statutory recommendations with which the Council must comply thus far.</p>
1.07	<p><u>Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015</u></p> <p>The Annual Performance Report 2022/23 provides examples of positives performance during 2022/23 through case studies. The case studies demonstrate how the Council has considered the five ways of working;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Long Term • Prevention • Integration • Collaboration • Involvement
1.08	<p>The Annual Performance Report 2022/23 will be made available via the Council’s website (Welsh and English versions) once finalised and approved.</p>

2.00	RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS
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2.01	There are no specific resource implications as part of this report.
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3.00	IMPACT ASSESSMENT AND RISK MANAGEMENT
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3.01	<p>An integrated impact assessment has formed part of the Council Plan 2022/23 and the collated information within the Annual Performance Report is from the Council Plan 2022/23</p> <p>By completing a high-level IIA for the Council Plan 2022-23, it enabled the Council to have an overview of the various additional IIA’s</p>
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4.00	CONSULTATIONS REQUIRED/CARRIED OUT
4.01	Consultation with Senior Managers, Chief Officers and Members has been supported online. Consultation is undertaken throughout the year by Cabinet and Overview and Scrutiny Committees regularly reviewing performance reports.
5.00	APPENDICES
5.01	Appendix 1 - Draft Annual Performance Report 2022/23
6.00	LIST OF ACCESSIBLE BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS
6.01	Council Plan 2022-23 End of Year Report Flintshire County Council's Well-being Objectives
7.00	CONTACT OFFICER DETAILS
7.01	Contact Officer: Emma Heath, Strategic Performance Advisor Telephone: 01352 702744 E-mail: emma.heath@flintshire.gov.uk
8.00	GLOSSARY OF TERMS
8.01	Council Plan: the document which sets out the annual priorities of the Council. It is a requirement of the Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act 2021 for organisations to 'set out any actions to increase the extent to which the council is meeting the performance requirements.' Plans for organisations should be robust; be clear on where it wants to go; and how it will get there.