

**FLINTSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL**

**REPORT TO:** **LIFELONG LEARNING OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY COMMITTEE**

**DATE:** **THURSDAY 14<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2013**

**REPORT BY:** **HOUSING AND LEARNING OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY FACILITATOR**

**SUBJECT:** **IMPROVEMENT PLAN MONITORING REPORT**

**1.00 PURPOSE OF REPORT**

1.01 To note and consider elements of the 2013/14 Mid Year Improvement Plan Monitoring Report relevant to the Lifelong Learning Overview and Scrutiny Committee. The report covers the period April – September 2013.

1.02 To note the following:-

- The levels of progress and confidence in meeting the Council's Improvement Priorities and their impacts including the milestones achieved.
- The measures which evidence achievement and the baseline data, and targets.
- The baseline risk assessment for the strategic risks identified in the Improvement Plan and the arrangements to control them.

1.03 To enable Members to comment on the new approach to performance reporting.

**2.00 BACKGROUND**

2.01 The new style Improvement Plan adopted by Council in June 2013 which is aligned to the new three year Outcome Agreement, focuses on the priorities which are expected to have the most impact during 2013/14.

2.02 In addition to the Improvement Plan Monitoring Report, bi-annually performance highlight reports will be presented from the Heads of Service. These will be similar to those previously produced for quarterly reporting.

**3.00 CONSIDERATIONS**

3.01 The Improvement Plan Monitoring Report gives an explanation of the progress being made towards delivery of the impacts set out in the Improvement Plan. The narrative is supported by measures and/or milestones which evidence achievement. In addition, there is an assessment of the strategic risks and the level to which they are being controlled.

3.02 For Lifelong Learning Overview and Scrutiny Committee the following Improvement Plan sub-priority reports are attached at Appendices 1 - 3:-

- Modernised and High Performing Education
- Places of Modernised Learning
- Apprenticeships and Training

#### **4.00 RECOMMENDATIONS**

4.01 That the Committee consider the 2013/14 Mid Year Improvement Plan Monitoring Report, highlight concerns and feedback details of any challenge to the Corporate Resources Overview & Scrutiny Committee who are responsible for the overview and monitoring of performance.

4.02 That the Committee comment on the newly introduced improvement plan performance monitoring approach.

#### **5.00 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

5.01 There are no specific financial implications for this report; however the Council's Medium Term Financial Plan is aligned to resource the priorities of the Improvement Plan.

#### **6.00 ANTI POVERTY IMPACT**

6.01 There are no specific anti poverty implications for this report, however poverty is a priority within the Improvement Plan 2013/14.

#### **7.00 ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT**

7.01 There are no specific environmental implications for this report; however the environment is a priority within the Improvement Plan 2013/14.

#### **8.00 EQUALITIES IMPACT**

8.01 There are no equalities implications for this report.

#### **9.00 PERSONNEL IMPLICATIONS**

9.01 There are no personnel implications for this report.

#### **10.00 CONSULTATION REQUIRED**

10.01 Publication of this report constitutes consultation.

#### **11.00 CONSULTATION UNDERTAKEN**

11.01 Corporate Management Team and the Performance Leads from across the Authority have contributed to help shape the new approach to reporting.

## **12.00 APPENDICES**

- 12.01 Appendix 1 – Modernised and High Performing Education  
Appendix 2 – Places of Modernised Learning  
Appendix 3 – Apprenticeships and Training

### **LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ACCESS TO INFORMATION ACT) 1985** **BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS**

None.

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