AUDIT AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE 26 July 2023



ITEM 07

Report sponsor: Cabinet Member for Strategy, Governance and Finance and Chief Executive Report author: Head of Strategy, Performance

and Partnerships

Annual Report and Review of Performance 2022/23

Purpose

- 1.1 Every year we produce a short Annual Report, which is published alongside our Annual Review of Performance that presents a summary of our progress against agreed priorities from the last year.
- 1.2 These documents are important in communicating the work that we deliver, our achievements and the challenges we have encountered. They also complement the Statement of Accounts and Annual Governance Statement that, by necessity, are technical in nature and published separately.
- 1.3 The Annual Report and Annual Review of Performance were both considered by Council Cabinet on Wednesday 12 July 2023.

Recommendation

2.1 To note the Annual Report and Annual Review of Performance.

Reasons

- 3.1 To inform the public and our key stakeholders about our work in 2022/23.
- 3.2 To recognise the commitment and achievements of our colleagues in 2022/23.
- 3.3 To contribute towards meeting the Council's Best Value Duty and Code of Recommended Practice on Local Government Transparency.

Supporting information

4.1 The Council Plan 2022–2025, approved by Cabinet in February 2022 and Council in March 2022, sets out our vision for the city:

Ambitious for Derby - "working together with the city, for the city"

4.2 The plan is focused on four priority areas / themes that form the basis of our future ways of working, and ambitions for the city from 2022 onwards.



- 4.3 These four priority themes are supported by two enabling programmes of 'better together' and 'working smarter;' which provide the focus for our internal improvement and change activities.
- 4.4 The Annual Report and supporting Annual Review of Performance both outline the progress that we have made over the last 12-months. They can be read with our quarterly performance reports, which show the progress that we made throughout the year.
- 4.5 There is no statutory duty to publish an Annual Report however, it is good practice to report to our residents, businesses and key stakeholders on our progress, and how we have used our resources (in line with the Best Value duty). Each council has a statutory duty to publish a summary of their financial information, in an accessible way, and we meet this duty by including this information within our Annual Report.
- 4.6 Year-end reporting is an opportunity to reflect on the previous year and draw lessons to inform future practice, and as such is an important element of good governance.
- 4.7 The Annual Report and supporting 2022/23 Performance Review Summary will be published on the Council's website by 31 July 2023 (Annual report | Derby City Council).

Public/stakeholder engagement

5.1 The Annual Report is intended to be accessible to the public and key stakeholders, making sure that we share information on our progress over the last 12 months.

Other options

6.1 Not applicable.

Financial and value for money issues

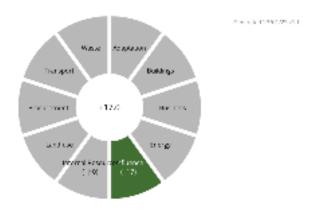
7.1 The Annual Report outlines the Council's summary position for funding, spending and balance sheet for 2022/23. Greater detail is contained in the Statement of Accounts 2022/23, including value for money considerations.

Legal implications

8.1 As a non-statutory document, there are no constraints on content or format.

Climate implications

9.1 'Green' is a priority theme for the City and Council, reflected within the City Plan and the Council Plan 2022-2025. There are a number of activities planned, which aim to deliver impact against the three agreed outcomes. Furthermore, through the inclusion of the 'green' priority theme this raises the profile of climate implications on associated commitments within the plan (i.e. climate assessments required on priority projects).



Socio-Economic implications

10.1 Creating a resilient city, with a focus on reducing inequalities and promoting health and wealth are priority ambitions within the Council Plan 2022-2025 and appropriate actions have been included within the report to address these.

Other significant implications

11.1 Equalities – many of the services set out in the Council Plan are particularly important for people who share protected characteristics under the Equality Act 2010, and who would face further barriers to equality without effective public services. Understanding the effectiveness of these services and how they impact on

- people's lives is important for advancing equality of opportunity, which is part of our Public Sector Equality Duty.
- 11.2 Where an objective or project has a significant impact on the public, then an Equality Impact Assessment is carried out by the responsible officer in accordance with the Council's Equality, Dignity and Respect Policy.

This report has been approved by the following people:

Role	Name	Date of sign-off
Legal	Director Corporate Governance, Procurement	03 July 2023
	and Property	
Finance	Director Finance Services (S151)	03 July 2023
Service Director(s)	Director Corporate Management	20 June 2023
Report sponsor	Chief Executive	28 June 2023
Other(s)	Corporate Leadership Team	04 July 2023

Background papers:	Quarterly performance monitoring reports – April 2022 to March 2023
List of appendices:	Appendix 1 - Annual Report 2023 Appendix 2 - Annual Performance Review