

QUARTERLY PROGRESS UPDATES ON PREVIOUSLY AGREED RECOMMENDATIONS

Summary

Members are asked to consider the assessments of progress contained within the attached Progress Updates on the implementation of previously agreed recommendations. There are outstanding recommendations from the following reviews:

- EIT Reporting In Review of Advice and Information
- EIT Reporting In Review of Commercial Trading,
- EIT Reporting In Review of Procurement and Commissioning
- EIT Task and Finish Review of Xentrall
- EIT Task and Finish Review of Democratic Services
- Scrutiny Review of Outside Bodies

Detail

1. Following the Cabinet consideration of Scrutiny and EIT Reviews, agreed recommendations are then subject to a monitoring process to track their implementation.
2. Two main types of report are used. Initially this is by means of Action Plans detailing how services will be taking forward agreed recommendations. This is then followed by a Progress Report at a future agreed date. Evidence is submitted by the relevant department together with an assessment of progress against all recommendations. Should members of the Select Committee agree, those recommendations which have reached an assessment of '1' are then signed off as having been completed.
3. In order to track those recommendations which are not signed off following the first round of Progress Reports, a series of progress updates are submitted for all Select Committees on a quarterly basis.
4. The assessment of progress for each recommendation should be categorised as follows:

1 Achieved (Fully)	The evidence provided shows that the recommendation has been fully implemented within the timescale specified
2 On Track but not yet due for completion	The evidence provided shows that implementation of the recommendation is on track but the timescale specified has not expired.
3 Slipped	The evidence shows that progress on

	<p>implementation has slipped.</p> <p>An anticipated date by which the recommendation is expected to become achieved should be advised and the reasons for the delay.</p>
4 Not Achieved	<p>The evidence provided shows that the recommendation has not been fully achieved.</p> <p>An explanation for non achievement of the recommendation would be provided</p>

5. As agreed previously by Executive Scrutiny Committee, link officers will not be in attendance for quarterly progress updates, but Member comments will be communicated to the services concerned by the Scrutiny Team.
6. **Appendix 1** sets out the outstanding recommendations for this Committee. Members are asked to review the update and indicate whether they agree with the assessment of progress or require further information.
7. In addition, a summary of quarter four EIT progress updates presented and agreed by Select Committees is attached at **appendix 2**. The summary outlines key progress in implementing recommendations, an update on Human Resources implications and savings incurred at the end of 2010/11 quarter 4.

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