

To: Cabinet

From: Scrutiny Co-ordination Committee

Date: 1 October 2024

Subject: One Coventry Plan Bi-Annual Performance Report (April 2023-March 2024)

1 Purpose of the Note

- 1.1 To inform Cabinet of the outcomes of Scrutiny Co-ordination Committee's consideration of the One Coventry Plan Bi-Annual Performance Report (April 2023-March 2024).

2 Recommendations

- 2.1 Scrutiny Co-ordination Committee recommend that:
 - 1) Cabinet agrees the recommendations in the report.

3 Information and Background

- 3.1 At their meeting on 25th September 2024 Scrutiny Co-ordination Committee considered a report on the One Coventry Plan Bi-Annual Performance (April 2023-March 2024).
- 3.2 The Committee considered the report and asked questions of the officers. The areas of discussion included:
 - The future plans and solutions to the Cultural Gateway following from ISG going into administration.
 - The impact of dated national data that's available i.e most deprived neighbourhoods.
 - Monitoring to be carried out on why life expectancy in males has decreased, which correlates as a national trend.
 - The impact of digital exclusion in the city.
 - The future plans to investigate how Marmot City status can improve outcomes in life expectancy in the City and explore its effectiveness to date.
 - The concern of council tax collection reducing and further work to investigate this to take place within the relevant Scrutiny Board.

- The development of an indicator to monitor how traffic control impacts on congestion and air quality, and indicators to measure Carbon Emissions and Council Staff Inequalities as part of a future work programme item on the Climate Change Strategy.
 - The work being carried out to inform communities of the household support funds to include the 'Low-income Family Tracker'.
 - The response rate for the consultation was relatively low and how this can be improved in future.
 - The support available to migrants/asylum seekers in terms of social housing as part of the UK resettlement scheme.
 - The use of case studies within the reports were a positive feature.
 - That future reports be more accessible to include the use of standard size 12 font and further comparative information and data to be used.
 - The importance of Ward Councillors to be consulted and residents notified when tree planting decisions are made and working with developers and residents to assist in retaining and maintaining trees for the future.
 - The issue around money generated from Average Speed Enforcement is sent to HM Treasury rather than retained locally.
 - The importance of tracking direct emissions and carbon footprint within the city.
 - That further work to be carried out on trends that includes cycling infrastructure and Council staff sickness levels.
- 3.3 Scrutiny Co-ordination Committee Identified further areas assigned to Scrutiny to include:
- 1) Finance and Corporate Services Scrutiny Board to include items on the work programme on the increased use of agency staff and digital exclusion.
 - 2) Health and Social Care Scrutiny Board to take an item on increasing life expectancy in Coventry.
 - 3) Communities and Neighbourhoods Scrutiny Board to take an item on the reduction in the National Highways Satisfaction Survey.

4 Health Inequalities Impact

- 4.1 The report includes an on-going commitment to reducing health inequalities in the city under 'Refreshing our Marmot city approach to reduce health inequalities' (Page 24).

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