
Report to: West Yorkshire Combined Authority

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Subject: **Corporate planning and performance**

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1. Purpose of this report

- 1.1 To provide the West Yorkshire Combined Authority with an update on corporate performance including progress against corporate plan priorities, risk management and budget position.

2. Information

Corporate Plan 2019/20

- 2.1 The 2019/20 Corporate Plan sets out the vision and objectives for the organisation and the practical steps for how these will be progressed during the year. The plan is structured around the four overarching strategic objectives of boosting productivity, enabling inclusive growth, delivering 21st Century transport and supporting clean growth.
- 2.2 A comprehensive suite of performance indicators has been developed to measure the organisation's specific contribution towards achieving the overarching Corporate Plan priorities. An assessment of progress against these indicators for the first quarter of the 2019/20 financial year has now been

undertaken and a summary of the results of this is provided in **Appendix 1** as part of the wider corporate performance snapshot.

- 2.3 Although the result for some of the key performance indicators (KPIs) are not yet available, the analysis of the quarter one results reflect a positive position. The majority of the KPIs are green, indicating objectives supporting the strategic aims and themes for the region are on track to being achieved. The quarter two position will provide further KPI results as management information and figures are reconciled and collated.

Corporate risk update

- 2.4 In line with the provisions of the corporate risk management strategy, regular review of the key strategic risks affecting the organisation continues to be undertaken and the corporate risk register updated accordingly. A summary of the headline strategic risks currently contained within the corporate risk register is provided at **Appendix 1**.
- 2.5 Updates to the corporate risk register since the last meeting of the Combined Authority are summarised below:
- Risk SP1 has been **closed**. It was felt that all mitigating actions and countermeasures were now well established, and the residual risks had been adequately captured within other remaining risks.
 - Risk SD1 has been **superseded** by risk PC5. It was felt that the risk faced related more closely to the demonstration and communication of the outputs and contribution of the Combined Authority and the LEP to the Leeds City Region.
- 2.6 A Members risk workshop took place on 23rd July involving nominated members of the Combined Authority and the Governance and Audit Committee. The workshop focussed on key factors influencing the risk appetite of the organisation and following these discussions the risk appetite statement is now being considered in light of the feedback received.

Revenue budget position

2019/20

- 2.7 A summary of the 2019/20 current spend to budget as at June 2019 is attached at **Appendix 2**. A RAG rating has been included to identify budgets that need further review. There are no 'red' areas of concern to report.
- 2.8 The approved annual budget included a £1.2m deficit to be funded from general reserves. Periodic forecasting is being undertaken during the year to track performance against this budgeted position.

Statutory accounts 2018/19

- 2.9 There is a statutory requirement for approval of the annual accounts by 31 July each year. The 2018/19 accounts were presented on time for audit and Mazars (external auditor) reported their findings to the Governance and Audit committee on 23 July 2019. An unqualified audit opinion, without modification, was given on the financial statements and also an unqualified value for money conclusion.

3. Inclusive Growth Implications

- 3.1 The 2019/20 corporate plan sets out further details regarding the organisation's approach to enabling inclusive growth.

4. Financial Implications

- 4.1 The financial implications are covered in the body of the report and at the supporting appendices.

5. Legal Implications

- 5.1 There are no legal implications directly arising from this report.

6. Staffing Implications

- 6.1 There are no staffing implications directly arising from this report.

7. External Consultees

- 7.1 No external consultations have been undertaken.

8. Recommendations

- 8.1 That the Combined Authority notes and provides comment on the information on corporate performance.

9. Background Documents

- 9.1 None.

10. Appendices

Appendix 1 – Corporate Performance Snapshot Report
Appendix 2 – Budget monitoring 2019/20