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Dear Councillor

## OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE - MONDAY, 8TH NOVEMBER 2010

I am now able to enclose, for consideration at the above meeting of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee, the following reports that were unavailable when the agenda was printed.

Could Members please note that Item 9 – Revenue Budget, 2010/11 – Monitoring Report was published in error and has been withdrawn from the agenda. This information is now included in the Business Plan Monitoring Statements for each Directorate and will be dealt with under Items 8, a) b) and c.

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6. <u>Chorley Council Performance Monitoring Report - Second Quarter of 2010/11</u> (Pages 1 - 14)

To consider a report of the Director of Partnerships, Planning and Policy (enclosed).

7. <u>Chorley Partnership - Performance Monitoring Report for second quarter of 2010/11</u> (Pages 15 - 22)

To consider a report of the Director of Partnerships, Planning and Policy (enclosed).

Yours sincerely

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Report of	Meeting	Date
Director Partnerships, Planning and Policy (Introduced by the Executive Member for Policy and Performance)	Executive Cabinet	11 <sup>th</sup> November 2010

### **2<sup>ND</sup> QUARTER PERFORMANCE REPORT 2010/11**

#### **PURPOSE OF REPORT**

This monitoring report sets out performance against the Corporate Strategy for the second quarter of 2010/11, 1st July - 30th September.

### **RECOMMENDATION(S)**

2. That the report be noted

### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY OF REPORT**

- 3. This report sets out performance against the Corporate Strategy for the second quarter of 2010/11, 1st July – 30th September 2010. Performance is assessed based on the delivery of key projects and the performance against measures in the Corporate Strategy.
- Overall performance of key projects remains excellent with 91% of projects either on track, 4. closed or completed. This is an improvement on last quarter's performance of 88%. The 9% of projects which are rated red or amber are expected to be brought back on track over the next quarter.
- 5. Overall performance for key measures in the Corporate Strategy is strong, with 93% of measures performing above target or within the 5% tolerance. Where performance is below the target, action plans have been developed to outline what action will be taken to improve performance.

### REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION(S)

### (If the recommendations are accepted)

To facilitate the ongoing analysis and management of the Council's performance in delivering the Corporate Strategy

### ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED

6. None

#### **CORPORATE PRIORITIES**

7. This report relates to the following Strategic Objectives:

Put Chorley at the heart of regional	✓	Develop	local	solutions	to	climate

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economic development in the		change.	
Central Lancashire sub-region			
Improving equality of opportunity and	./	Develop the Character and feel of	./
life chances	•	Chorley as a good place to live	V
Involving people in their communities		Ensure Chorley Borough Council is a	./
	<b>V</b>	performing organization	•

### **BACKGROUND**

- 8. The Corporate Strategy is the key strategic document for the authority and is focused on delivering the Council's six strategic objectives that underpin the priorities of: prosperity, people, place and performance. The Corporate Strategy mirrors, and outlines the Council's contribution to, the Sustainable Community Strategy, delivery of which is taken forward by the Chorley Partnership.
- 9. The Corporate Strategy 2009/10 2010/11 identifies a programme of 33 key projects as well as performance measures, which contribute to the achievement of our objectives.

### REPORT OVERVIEW

- 10. The report provides information in the following areas:
  - The Council's progress in delivering the 33 Key Projects identified in the Corporate Strategy 2009/10 2010/11
  - The Council's progress in achieving against performance measures that can be measured on a quarterly basis. It is not always possible to report all indicators in the Corporate Strategy on a quarterly basis. Where it is possible, the current performance is illustrated in Appendix 1 and described in the body of the report. In addition, the Council's performance against the national indicator set is illustrated at Appendix 2.
  - Where indicators have missed targets by 5% or more, commentary is included to explain the reasons for lower than expected performance and the action that will be taken to improve performance.

## STRATEGIC OBJECTIVE ONE: IMPROVE CHORLEY'S ECONOMIC POSITION IN THE CENTRAL LANCASHIRE SUB REGION

- 11. Overall performance of key projects under this strategic objective continues to be excellent with 100% rated green or complete.
- 12. The following projects are rated green, which indicates that project performance is as planned or ahead of schedule with progress on target and costs within or under budget:
  - Produce a marketing package for the town centre, markets and Chorley as a whole
  - Produce Site Allocations Development Plan Document
- 13. The following table shows the key outcomes from the projects which have completed in the second quarter of 2010/11 under strategic objective one.

Project	Key Outcomes		
Secure the redevelopment of Pall Mall Triangle and	<ul> <li>Proposed planning application for this area received a 'minded to' approve at Development Control Committee on 12th October 2010.</li> </ul>		
Market Street	The development will provide a Class A1 food store, petrol filling station, associated car parking, servicing, new accesses, public		

	<ul><li>realm and landscaping.</li><li>The development will create circa 400 full and part time jobs.</li></ul>
	The proposal represents a significant investment in Chorley and should enhance the profile of the town, stimulating further economic activity in terms of jobs and shopping behaviour.
	The Economic Regeneration Strategy has now been refreshed and approved by the Executive Cabinet and LSP Economic Regeneration Group.
Refresh the Economic Regeneration Strategy and Town Centre Action Plan	<ul> <li>The refreshed strategy focuses on the following priority themes:</li> <li>Promoting knowledge-based inward investment</li> <li>Creating a thriving 'Contemporary Market Town'</li> <li>Supporting a strong indigenous business base; and</li> <li>Ensuring residents and communities reach their full economic potential.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Over its lifetime, the strategy will achieve:</li> <li>Private sector investment worth £270 million</li> <li>The creation of 8,800 new jobs, with more than 3,000 new jobs in higher value sectors</li> <li>Achieving greater prosperity for all – raising the value of economic activity per head of population.</li> </ul>
	The refreshed strategy and action plan now provides Chorley Council, partners and key stakeholders with clear direction to ensure that the Chorley economy maintains resilience during uncertain economic times as well as facilitating sustainable economic growth as we head towards recovery.
Develop a proposal for improvements to the Flat	Proposed designs for Flat Iron improvements to the public realm and associated costs have been produced for when funding becomes available.
Iron	Cabinet have approved the phased introduction of Gazebos in 2011 to improve the look and feel of the market and attract new traders and shoppers.

### PERFORMANCE OF CORPORATE STRATEGY MEASURES

- 14. It is possible to report on two of the key measures under Strategic Objective One at the end of quarter two. Both these measures are performing on or above target.
- 15. The following measures are performing on or above target:
  - The number of new businesses established. There were 33 new businesses established between April 2010 and September 2010 against a target of 26.
  - NI 152: Working age people on out of work benefits. 10.6% were claiming benefits against a target of 12.2%. (Smaller performance is better)

## STRATEGIC OBJECTIVE TWO: IMPROVING EQUALITY OF OPPORTUNITY AND LIFE CHANCES

### PERFORMANCE OF KEY CORPORATE STRATEGY PROJECTS

- 16. Overall performance of key projects under this strategic objective continues to be excellent with 100% rated green or closed off
- 17. The following projects are rated green, which indicates that project performance is as planned or ahead of schedule with progress on target and costs within or under budget:
  - Evaluate the Families First project and establish intervention arrangements for vulnerable families
  - Increase weekend and diversionary provision for children and young people
  - Improve co-ordination of work with children and young people
  - Implement Year 2 of the 50+ Active Generation Project
  - Deliver Chorley's key actions for Year One of the Health Inequalities Strategy
- 18. The following table shows the project which has been closed off in the second quarter of 2010/11 under strategic objective two.

Project	Reason for being closed off
Evaluate the free swimming scheme and agree a way forward	There has been a good public take up of free swimming; however evidence showed that the scheme was taken up by people who already went swimming, rather than encouraging more people to start. The public were made aware of the final date for free swimming and we will continue to provide residents with details of alternative free and low cost activities on offer around the borough.

#### PERFORMANCE OF CORPORATE STRATEGY MEASURES

- 19. It is possible to report on two of the key measures under Strategic Objective Two at the end of quarter two. Both of these measures are performing on or above target.
- 20. The following measures are performing on or above target:
  - The number of junior visits made to leisure facilities. There were 287,106 visits between October 2009 and September 2010 against a target of 282,996.
  - The rate of participation in regular volunteering among older people was 31.9% against a target of 21.6%.

## STRATEGIC OBJECTIVE THREE: SUPPORTING PEOPLE TO GET INVOLVED IN IMPROVING THEIR COMMUNITIES

- 21. Overall performance of key projects under this strategic objective is excellent with 100% of projects rated green or complete.
- 22. The following projects are rated green, which indicates that project performance is as planned or ahead of schedule with progress on target and costs within or under budget:
  - Develop a community engagement strategy
- 23. The following table shows the key outcomes from the projects which have completed in the second quarter of 2010/11 under strategic objective three.

Project	Key Outcomes
Develop and deliver an action plan to increase	Reviewed and improved our systems for people to volunteer with Chorley Council, for example, sports events and at

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volunteering	Yarrow Valley Country Park
	Support provided to increase opportunities for people to volunteer, for example, advice and guidance for local organisations and training course held targeting young people who are not in employment, education or training
	Raised awareness of the role and importance of volunteers in media releases
	12% increase in volunteering
	BMX facility transferred into community management with Mid Lancs BMX Club
Work with local residents to transfer community facilities into community management	Work underway on numerous other possible asset transfers, for example, Chisnall Playing Fields and Clayton Brook Village Hall.
	Programme of works agreed for the possible transfer of assets

### PERFORMANCE OF CORPORATE STRATEGY MEASURES

- 24. It is possible to report on all four of the key measures under Strategic Objective Three at the end of quarter two. All of these measures are performing on or above target.
- 25. The following measures are performing on or above target:
  - The % of people who feel they can influence decisions in their locality was 45.8% against a target of 31.4%.
  - The % of people who feel their communities are places where people from different backgrounds get on well together was 84.7% against a target of 81.9%.
  - The % of people who regularly participate in volunteering was 33.4% against a target of 25%.
  - The number of assets under community management. There was one asset transferred into community management between October 2009 and September 2010 against a target of one.

# STRATEGIC OBJECTIVE FOUR: IMPROVE ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY AND COMBAT CLIMATE CHANGE

- 26. Overall performance of key projects under this strategic objective is good with 80% of projects either rated green or complete.
- 27. The following project is rated green, which indicates that project performance is as planned or ahead of schedule with progress on target and costs within or under budget:
  - Deliver food waste recycling
- 28. The following table shows the key outcomes from the projects which have completed in the second quarter of 2010/11 under strategic objective four.

Project	Key Outcomes
Establish a community growing scheme	A community growing scheme has been developed and is being implemented and monitored via the Chorley Community Food

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	Growing Action Plan.		
	The PCT has invested funding via Lancashire Wildlife Trust to deliver the Action Plan; £60,000 has been allocated to appoint a part time project officer for three years.		
Ensure development of Group One woodland management plan	All trees (circa 3,000) have been surveyed on the site and a plan produced showing the location of trees etc.		
	Work has commenced on tree maintenance in line with the plan on the Chorley area. This includes removal of damaged or diseased trees, thinning of canopy etc.		
	Tree Preservation Orders for specific areas covering Chorley trees are currently being processed		
	Survey information has been sent to South Ribble BC so they can commence the TPOs for their area.		

29. The following table shows the project which has been given a 'red' rating. This indicates more serious problems such as falling behind schedule or exceeding budgets.

Project Title	Project Status	Explanation	Action Required
Carry out energy audits of all remaining council buildings	Red	This project is currently behind schedule because negotiations are ongoing with the energy saving trust.	We will continue to pursue negotiations with the Energy Savings Trust to ensure that the work that is required to be carried out is commissioned over the next quarter.

### PERFORMANCE OF CORPORATE STRATEGY MEASURES

- 30. It is possible to report on two of the key measures under strategic objective four at the end of the second quarter. Both these measures are performing on or above target.
- 31. The following measures are performing on or above target:
  - 49.2% of household waste was landfilled against a target of 50% (smaller performance is better)
  - NI 192: 50.8% of waste was recycled or composted against a target of 50.19%<sup>1</sup>

## STRATEGIC OBJECTIVE FIVE: DEVELOP THE CHARACTER AND FEEL OF CHORLEY AS A GREAT PLACE TO LIVE

- 32. Overall performance of key projects under this strategic objective is very good with 86% either rated green, complete or closed off.
- 33. The following projects are rated green, which indicates that project performance is as planned or ahead of schedule with progress on target and costs within or under budget:
  - Deliver key projects from neighbourhood action plans
  - Deliver parks, open spaces and play review and complete improvement plan

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The waste figures are up to date in the current position at the end of June. Information for Quarter 2 will be received at the end of December 2010 and the outturn will change as more information is received.

34. The following table shows the project, which has been given an 'amber' rating. This is an early warning that there may be a problem.

Project Title	Project Status	Explanation	Action Required
Establish a choice based lettings scheme	Amber	Internally, a lot of progress has been made on the project. However, there have been some delays experienced by the wider partnership in the development of the required software. However, sign off has now been achieved and this issue should not arise again.	Renewed timescales have been agreed with partners and the Choice Based Lettings system will go live in March 2011. Going forward, we will continue to work with partners to establish one robust waiting list. As well as training staff, developing a property shop and promoting the new service.

### PERFORMANCE OF CORPORATE STRATEGY MEASURES

- 35. It is possible to report on eleven of the key measures under strategic objective five at the end of the second quarter. Of these, seven are performing on or above target, three are off target but within the 5% threshold and one is off target by 5% or more.
- 36. The following measures are performing on or above target:
  - The % of people who were satisfied with their neighbourhood as a place to live was 89.4% against a target of 84%
  - NI 195a: Improved street and environmental cleanliness, litter. Performance was 3% against a target of 4.5% (smaller performance is better).
  - NI 195d: Improved street and environmental cleanliness, flyposting. Performance was 1% against a target of 1% (smaller performance is better).
  - Feelings of safety during the day were 92.2% against a target of 90%
  - Feelings of safety during the night were 71% against a target of 50%
  - NI 16: Serious Acquisitive Crime rate. The rate was 3.1111 per 1,000 population, against a target of 3.9650 (smaller performance is better).
  - NI 156: Number of households in temporary accommodation. Six families were in temporary accommodation against a target of 13 (smaller performance is better).
- Of particular note is the improvement in performance of the street cleanliness indicators, which have improved substantially since March 2010. Levels of litter have improved from 6.1% to 3% and is now hitting target. Levels of detritus have improved from 9.7% to 4.5% and has only just missed hitting the challenging target.
- 38. The following measures have missed target but are within the 5% threshold:
  - NI 195c: Improved street and environmental cleanliness, graffiti. Performance was 2% against a target of 1% (smaller performance is better).
  - NI 20: Assault with Injury Crime Rate. The rate was 2.9198 per 1,000 population, against a target of 2.87 (smaller performance is better).
  - The % of people who were satisfied with parks and open spaces was 71.5% against a target of 74%
- 39. The following table shows those measures that are performing below target by 5% or more

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Indicator	Target	Performance	Reason below target	required

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NI 195b: Improved street and environmental cleanliness, detritus	4.5%	5%	The target of 4.5% is an extremely challenging target when compared to other Lancashire districts. Performance in 2009/10 was 9.7%. Therefore, our current performance of 5% represents a significant improvement against last year's actual performance. This performance has come about as a result about due to the new street cleaning arrangements, following the Council's decision to invest a further £60,000. These new arrangements have also resulted in NI 195(a), levels of litter, improving significantly and bettering the 4.5% target. The new arrangements are now embedded and it has been very successful as the feedback received has been very positive and it has made a clear impact on the standards of cleanliness across the Borough.	We are satisfied that the new system will continue to improve the detritus levels. Therefore, we propose to continue with the current arrangements.
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## STRATEGIC OBJECTIVE SIX: ENSURE CHORLEY COUNCIL IS A CONSISTENTLY TOP PERFORMING ORGANISATION

### PERFORMANCE OF KEY CORPORATE STRATEGY PROJECTS

- 40. Overall performance of key projects under this strategic objective is very good with 86% either rated green, complete or closed off.
- 41. The following project is rated green, which indicates that project performance is as planned or ahead of schedule with progress on target and costs within or under budget:
  - Complete Year 3 of the VFM Programme
- 42. The following table shows the project, which has been given an 'amber' rating. This is an early warning that there may be a problem.

Project Title	Project Status	Explanation	Action Required
Develop a staff engagement strategy	Amber	The first draft of the employee engagement framework is now complete. However, the project is slightly behind schedule because further review is required before consultation and implementation.	It is anticipated that the project will be delivered by the end of November.

43. The following table shows the project which has been closed off in the second quarter of 2010/11 under strategic objective six.

Project	Reason for being closed off
	A first draft of the refreshed Communications and Marketing Plan
Refresh the Council's	has been completed as per the corporate project mandate within the
Marketing &	corporate strategy. However, pending a review of the service and its
Communications Strategy	budget, the Chief Executive has decided to postpone approval of a
	final draft.

44. The following table shows the key outcomes from the project which has completed in the second quarter of 2010/11 under strategic objective six.

Project	Key Outcomes
Refresh Chorley's Sustainable Community Strategy	Chorley's Sustainable Community Strategy has now been refreshed. A new vision and set of priorities has been developed, based on the needs of our communities. In addition, both public and partner consultation has been undertaken on the new strategy.  It has also identified a forward plan of work to ensure that it is fully embedded for delivery

#### PERFORMANCE OF CORPORATE STRATEGY MEASURES

- 45. It is possible to report on six of the key measures under strategic objective six at the end of the second quarter. Of these, five are performing on or above target and one is off target by 5% or more.
- 46. The following measures are performing on or above target:
  - The % of people who were satisfied with the way the Council runs things was 62.9% against a target of 50.5%
  - The % of residents who feel that Chorley Council provides value for money was 57.5% against a target of 41.4%
  - The % of residents who are satisfied with the service they receive in the Contact Chorley was 100% against a target of 98%
  - The rate of avoidable contact was 14.86% against a target of 19%
  - The % of staff satisfied to work for Chorley Council was 91% against a target of 80%
- 47. The following table shows those measures that are performing below target by 5% or more

Performance Indicator	Target	Performance	Reason below target	Action required
% of National Indicators on target	73%	62%	The Council has responsibility for the reporting and monitoring of a small number of National Indicators. This means that a small number of indicators have a big impact upon the overall figure. There are four indicators currently below target. The reasons for the lower then targeted performance is detailed in the relevant action plan.	The actions identified in the relevant action plans for each indicator that is below target will be undertaken to improve performance.

### OTHER NATIONAL INDICATORS NOT IN THE CORPORATE STRATEGY

- 48. There are some important indicators that are not included within the Corporate Strategy, but are measured locally and are indicators of service performance. There are six such indicators that can be reported at the end of the first quarter. Two are performing better than target, while four are performing worse than target.
- 49. The following measures are performing on or above target:

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- NI 181: Time taken to process housing benefit/council tax benefit new claims and change events, taking 8.2 days against a target of 10 days
- NI 182: Satisfaction of businesses with local authority regulation services, with 96.8% of businesses satisfied against a target of 90%
- 50. The following table shows those measures that are performing below target by 5% or more

Performance Indicator	Target	Performance	Reason below target	Action required
NI 151 Overall Employment Rate	76%	69.6%	The method for collecting and reporting this data has changed to include females up to the age of 65, where previously, it had been 59. This makes performance look worse. JSA Claimant figures show that unemployment well below the Lancashire average.	Continue to deliver employment initiatives, such as Employment Charter, Redundancy Task Force and Future Jobs fund.
NI 157a Processing of planning applications as measured against targets for 'major' application types	81%	71.88%	Performance has not achieved target mainly due to the increase in workload and the number of current major applications which take up a considerable amount of	
NI 157b Processing of planning applications as measured against targets for 'minor'	82.5%	55.41%	senior planners time to progress to the stage where they can be considered by Development Control Committee.	As previously reported, we have had a few staff recently take maternity
NI 157c Processing of planning applications as measured against targets for 'other' application types	92%	75.47%	The first six months of this financial year we received a total of 608 applications compared to 495 over same period last year, a 23% increase overall. During the same period, 18 Major applications were received in 2009 compared to 36 applications received in 2010 a 100% increase. Householder applications during the same period have increased from 178 to 288 which is a 62% increase.  In addition, appeals have increased significantly, due in the main to garden grabbing issues and in response to the Council taking enforcement action. 12 appeals were received in the first six months of 2009 compared to 26 received up to mid Oct 2010.  Appeal work takes up a significant amount of time and up to 3 staff may be required to give evidence in Inquiries. This additional workload, the nature of some of the larger applications and the appeal enquiry work has consequently impacted on the	leave. To address this, we have recruited three fixed term planners for a 12 month period and, as a consequence, all 12 posts within the Development Control service are currently filled either on a permanent or temporary basis.  In addition, given all the current staff have large caseloads, in order to improve performance we have engaged the services of an additional temporary officer for the next couple of months to deal with Householder applications The effect of the additional staff is expected to make an impact in the remaining two quarters.

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	·	processing times for applications.	
	· ·	proceeding arrive for applications:	

### CONCLUSION

- 51. The performance in this second quarter report shows that the Council continues to perform well. The progress made in delivering key projects and measures from the Corporate Strategy demonstrates that we continue to deliver against our priorities.
- 52. The actions and other steps to be taken where performance is lower than anticipated should help to drive improvement in performance indicators and project delivery.

### **IMPLICATIONS OF REPORT**

53. This report has implications in the following areas and the relevant Directors' comments are included:

Finance	Customer Services	
Human Resources	Equality and Diversity	
Legal	No significant implications in this	Х
	area	

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There are no background papers to this report.

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### Appendix 1: Corporate Strategy Performance Quarter Two 2010 / 2011

**Performanc** e is better than target



Worse than target but within threshold



Worse than target, outside threshold

Indicator Code	Indicator Name	Polarity	Target Q2 2010/11	Performance Value Q2 2010/11	Symbol	Quartile
CS 1.1.1 09/10-10/11	Number of new businesses established	Bigger is better	26	33	*	
CS 1.3.1 09/10-10/11	Working age people on out of work on benefits	Smaller is better	12.2%	10.63%	*	Upper
CS 2.2.2 09/10-10/11	The number of junior visits made to leisure facilities	Bigger is better	282,996	287,106	*	
CS 2.3.2 09/10-10/11	Rate of participation in regular volunteering among older people	Bigger is better	21.6%	31.9%	*	
CS 3.1.1 09/10-10/11	% of people who feel they can influence decisions in their locality	Bigger is better	31.4%	45.8%	*	Upper
CS 3.1.2 09/10-10/11	People from different backgrounds getting on well together (including neutral responses)	Bigger is better	81.9%	84.7%	*	Upper
CS 3.2.1 09/10-10/11	% of people who regularly participate in volunteering	Bigger is better	25%	33.4%	*	Upper
CS 3.3.1 09/10-10/11	Number of assets under community management	Bigger is better	1	1	*	
CS 4.1.3 09/10-10/11	% of household wasteland filled	Smaller is better	50%	49.2%	*	
CS 4.2.1 09/10-10/11	Recycling & composting performance	Bigger is better	50.19%	50.8%	*	Upper
CS 5.1.1 09/10-10/11	% people satisfied with their neighbourhood as a place to live	Bigger is better	84%	89.4%	*	Upper
CS 5.1.2.1 09/10-10/11	Improved street and environmental cleanliness: litter	Smaller is better	4.5%	3%	*	Upper
CS 5.1.2.2 09/10-10/11	Improved street and environmental cleanliness: detritus	Smaller is better	4.5%	5%		Upper
CS 5.1.2.3 09/10-10/11	Improved street and environmental cleanliness: graffiti	Smaller is better	2%	1%		2 <sup>nd</sup>
CS 5.1.2.4 09/10-10/11	Improved street and environmental cleanliness: flyposting	Smaller is better	1%	1%	*	3 <sup>rd</sup>
CS 5.2.1 09/10-10/11	Number of households living in Temporary Accommodation	Smaller is better	13	6	*	
CS 5.4.1 09/10-10/11	Feelings of safety during the day	Bigger is better	90%	92.2%	*	
CS 5.4.2 09/10-10/11	Feelings of safety during the night	Bigger is better	50%	71%	*	
CS 5.4.3 09/10-10/11	Serious acquisitive crime	Smaller is better	3.9650 per 1,000	3.3111 per 1,000	*	3 <sup>rd</sup>
CS 5.4.4 09/10-10/11	Assault with injury crime rate	Smaller is better	2.87 per 1,000	2.9198 per 1,000		Lower
CS 5.5.1 09/10-10/11	% of people satisfied with parks and open spaces	Bigger is better	74%	71.5%		

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Indicator Code	Indicator Name	Polarity	Target Q2 2010/11	Performance Value Q2 2010/11	Symbol	Quartile
CS 6.1.1 09/10-10/11	Satisfaction with the way the Council runs things	Bigger is better	50.5%	62.9%	*	Upper
CS 6.1.4 09/10-10/11	% residents who feel that Chorley Council provides Value for Money	Bigger is better	41.4%	57.5%	*	Upper
CS 6.3.1 09/10-10/11	% of National Indicators on target	Bigger is better	73%	62%		
CS 6.3.2 09/10-10/11	Customer satisfaction with the service received in the Contact Chorley	Bigger is better	98%	100%	*	
CS 6.4.1 09/10-10/11	Avoidable contact: The average number of customer contacts per resolved request	Smaller is better	19%	14.86%	*	
CS 6.4.2 09/10-10/11	Staff Satisfaction	Bigger is better	80%	91%	*	

### Appendix 2: National Indicator Set Performance Quarter Two 2009 / 2010



**Performanc** e is better than target



Worse than target but within threshold



Worse than target, outside threshold

Indicator Code	Indicator Name	Polarity	Target Value	Performance Value	Symbol	Quartile
NI 16	Serious acquisitive crime	Smaller is better	3.9650 per 1,000	3.3111 per 1,000	*	3 <sup>rd</sup>
NI 20	Assault with injury crime rate	Smaller is better	2.87per 1,000	2.9198per 1,000		Lower
NI 151	Overall employment rate	Bigger is better	76%	69.6%		Lower
NI 156	Number of households living in Temporary Accommodation	Smaller is better	13	6	*	
NI 157a	Processing of planning applications as measured against targets for 'major' application types	Bigger is better	81%	71.88%		3 <sup>rd</sup>
NI 157b	Processing of planning applications as measured against targets for 'minor' application types	Bigger is better	82.5%	55.41%	_	Lower
NI 157c	Processing of planning applications as measured against targets for 'other' application types	Bigger is better	92%	75.47%		Lower
NI 181	Time taken to process Housing Benefit/Council Tax Benefit new claims and change events	Smaller is better	10 days	8.2 days	*	Upper
NI 182	Satisfaction of businesses with local authority regulation services	Bigger is better	90%	96.8%	*	
NI 192	Household waste recycled and composted	Bigger is better	50.19%	50.8%	*	Upper
NI 195a	Improved street and environmental cleanliness: levels of litter	Smaller is better	4.5%	3%	*	Upper
NI 195b	Improved street and environmental cleanliness: levels of detritus	Smaller is better	4.5%	5%		Upper
NI 195c	Improved street and environmental cleanliness: levels of graffiti	Smaller is better	1%	2%		2 <sup>nd</sup>
NI 195d	Improved street and environmental cleanliness: levels of flyposting	Smaller is better	1%	1%	*	3 <sup>rd</sup>



Report of	Meeting	Date
Director of Partnerships, Planning and Policy (Introduced by the Executive Member for Policy and Performance)	Executive Cabinet	11 <sup>th</sup> November 2010

### CHORLEY PARTNERSHIP 2<sup>ND</sup> QUARTER 2010/11 PERFORMANCE REPORT

### **PURPOSE OF REPORT**

To update members on the performance of the Chorley Partnership over the last quarter, covering the period from July to September 2010.

### **RECOMMENDATION(S)**

2. Members are asked to note the content of this report

### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY OF REPORT**

- 3. The report highlights the Chorley Partnership's performance over the second quarter of 2010/11. This is based on performance against the 2007 Sustainable Community Strategy and the Local Area Agreement Targets. New performance measures are being developed in line with the Sustainable Community Strategy 2010 - 2020 and these will be reported from April 2011. In summary:
  - o Overall crime has reduced by 6.5% compared to this period last year and reductions have been seen in most categories of crime during guarter 2.
  - The number of new businesses established is now back on target and performing well with 33 new businesses being established last quarter against a target of 26.
  - Unemployment has risen very slightly from 2.2% at the end of the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter to 2.3% at the end of the 1st quarter. This means that there are 32 more people now claiming benefits than at the end of the first guarter of 2010/2011.
  - o Chorley Partnership has commissioned 9 projects for 2010/11. Seven of these projects are rated green, which indicates that project performance is as planned or ahead of schedule. One of these projects has been given a rating of amber, which is an early warning that there may be a problem. One of these projects has been given a rating of red, which indicates more serious problems such as falling behind schedule or exceeding budgets.
- The other Local Area Agreement targets are reported in the Chorley Council Performance 4. Report 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2010/11.



### **CORPORATE PRIORITIES**

5. This report relates to the following Strategic Objectives:

Put Chorley at the heart of regional economic development in the Central Lancashire sub-region	<b>√</b>	Develop local solutions to climate change.	<b>✓</b>
Improving equality of opportunity and life chances	<b>✓</b>	Develop the Character and feel of Chorley as a good place to live	✓
Involving people in their communities	<b>√</b>	Ensure Chorley Borough Council is a performing organization	✓

#### PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

### **All Crime**

6. Crime overall has reduced by 6.5% compared to the same period of last year. This is broken down into the following categories:

Category	Quarter 2 09/10	Quarter 2 10/11	% Change	Year To Date	Year To Date Change
All Crime	1531	1432	-6.5%	3041	-0.6%
Serious Acquisitive Crime (NI16)	195	146	-25.1%	347	-2.3%
Burglary Dwelling	47	45	-4.3%	87	-12.1%
Vehicle Crime	145	95	-34.5%	243	-1.6%
Robbery	3	6	+100.0%	17	+88.9%
All Violent Crime	350	370	+5.4%	747	+4.5%
Serious Violent Crime (NI15)	19	11	-42.1%	32	-13.5%
Assault with Less Serious Injury (NI20)	144	139	-3.5%	306	+4.1%
Criminal Damage (inc arson)	338	278	-17.8%	620	-13.5%
Anti Social Behaviour	2118	1730	-18.3%	3996	-12.5%
Reoffending rate of Prolific Priority Offenders	29.75	25	-16%		
Domestic Violence Murder	0	0	=	0	0

- The main increases in crime have been in the areas of robbery, violent crime and assault with less serious injury.
- In terms of robbery, the year to date increase has been caused by 7 offences that took place in June this year. These offences continue to occur very sporadically.
- Violent Crime overall and Assault with Less Serious Injury are showing increases of 4.5% and 4.1% for the year to date respectively. This is mainly due to the higher

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levels than normal of offences recorded during June 2010. Assault with Less Serious Injury is currently showing a +2.0% increase against the LAA target of 300 offences for the first half of the year. This increase is very small (n=6) and it is quite possible that this can be rectified during the next Quarter.

### **Other Sustainable Community Strategy Indicators**

Indicator Code	Indicator Description	Target	Performance	Symbol
CS 1.1.1	Number of new businesses established	26	33	*

### **Unemployment Indicators**

7. The unemployment benefit claimant count has risen slightly from 2.2% at the end of the 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter to 2.3% at the end of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter. This equates to an increase of 32 more people claiming out of work benefit and the Chorley claimant count remains below the North West average.

Indicator	Apr 10	May 10	Jun 10	Jul 10	Aug 10	Sep 10
Claimant Count - Chorley	2.6% (1757 claimants)	2.3% (1648 claimants)	2.2% (1538 claimants)	2.3% (1568 claimants)	2.3% (1611 claimants)	2.3% (1570 claimants)
Claimant Count – Lancashire	3%	2.9%	2.8%	2.8%	2.8%	2.8%
Claimant Count – UK	3.9%	3.7%	3.6%	3.6%	3.6%	3.5%

### 8. THE CHORLEY PARTNERSHIP'S PROJECTS FOR 2010/11

	Database of adapted properties				
What is it?	To establish a database of all substantially adapted properties, owned by Registered Social Landlords in Chorley, which can be accessed by landlords and other agencies to enable moves for disabled households to be proactively managed.				
Lead Partner	Chorley Community Housing				
RAG Status G	The first stage of this project has been completed, as Chorley Council Strategic Housing and Chorley Community Housing have drafted the database specification, which has been submitted to the ICT service to develop the prototype for testing. The second stage of the project is now underway as the project manager has met with ICT to discuss how the specification will be delivered and timescales for delivery. The development work has now started and the project is due to be delivered well before the March 2010 deadline.				

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	Chorley Community Food Growing Fund			
What is it?	To establish a one off community capacity/engagement fund for the promotion of community food growing across the neighbourhood footprint of Chorley. It will enable grants to be made of £500-£750 to community groups, land owners and schools to set up the infrastructure of community food growing sites e.g. fencing, paths, soils, seeds, fruit trees, raised beds, water butts, tools etc, or to run training courses or events. It is linked into a larger community food-growing project.			
Lead Partner	NHS Central Lancashire			
RAG Status G	The project is on track and continues to be very successful. Five projects were funded between July and September and £2117 worth of funding has been allocated. In addition, LCC have provided funding to employ a member of staff to provide advice and training for staff and pupils as required.			
	Over the next quarter, the project will continue to deliver the Community Food Growing Action Plan and will explore sources of additional funding.			

Our Cotswold Community Kitchen				
What is it?  To develop a community kitchen in which to hold healthy eating / living hygiene programmes and teach residents how to cook and eat healthil Our Cotswold House are developing this alongside a larger project that will establish a community garden and food growing scheme.				
Lead Partner		Cotswold Supported Housing		
RAG Status		This project has now successfully recruited a Life Skills Co-ordinator, who will be responsible for organising the community kitchen sessions. The project is rated as amber as the recruitment process has taken longer than planned, however, now that a offer has been made and accepted, it is hoped that the successful candidate can take up post asap and get the project back on track for the next guarter.		

	LevelUp				
What is it?		This is an arts and mental health programme that will work with vulnerable women in delivering workshops to use the arts to enable women to regain confidence and self esteem.			
Lead Partner		NHS Central Lancashire			
RAG Status		This project is on track. Group Sessions and 1:1's have been organised and delivered – approximately one third of the planned sessions have been delivered in this quarter, in line with the project plan. There are 6 groups running, with participants from all cultures across Chorley, including Asian, Polish, White and women who have suffered domestic violence, homelessness, mental health problems, isolation, unstable immigration status and abuse.			

	Smart Response				
What is it?  The 'Smart Response' project is an innovative model of working which encompasses police and partner agency intelligence led targeted work. This work will be delivered by young person's specialist drug and alcohomorkers (Young Addaction). It will offer capacity to deliver targeted outreach with young people and families on a regular basis in response to local need.					
Lead Partner	Chorley Council				
RAG Status G	The project is on track as staff have been appointed, priority areas have been selected and referral of children and parents is taking place.  Over the last quarter, there has been an increase in face to face appointments, which increases the chances of a referral being made. The project has engaged with 93 young people offering advice, information, harm minimisation and pathways to recovery. The work of the project in schools and with the police has generated some very positive and powerful feedback.				
	Over the next quarter, a project worker will continue to attend parents evenings and will also carry out targeted group work. Key parts of the project such as 'Operation Confidence' and 'Stay Safe' will also continue to be delivered.				

	Aspects
What is it?	The Arts Partnership will work with a secondary school, providing up to 30 places for young people who have been excluded or are on limited/restricted timetable. The project will provide opportunities in arts/music as well as a variety of social and interpersonal skills, it will also help with literacy and numeracy and provide accreditation to Silver Arts Award level which is equivalent to GCSE grade A* - C
Lead Partner	Arts Partnership
RAG Status	The project is on track. 12 young people who have been identified as 'at risk' are currently working on a music project designed to help with achieving GCSE's.
	Over the next quarter a further music programme will be delivered to a new group of young people and a girls jewellery course will be delivered to young women who are not attending school. These will help attendees to gain arts awards.

Manage your money better					
What is it?	The "Manage Your Money Better" project provides advice and information on money management; budgeting, understanding credit and banking, finding solutions to debt problems (including self-help models), reducing the risk of financial crisis, maximising income/retirement planning through savings, pensions and benefits and housing options. Delivery is community based across Chorley, providing advice and information to individuals and groups. It builds capacity within the statutory and voluntary sectors by providing financial capability training to front line staff.				
Lead Partner	Chorley and South Ribble CAB				
RAG Status	The project is on track and over the last quarter several training sessions have been delivered to frontline staff, clients and young parents. In addition, the project leader has continued to support Chorley Partnership's 'Fuel Poverty & Old People' initiative.				
	Feedback from people attending the training has been really positive. For instance, those currently living in supported housing have said that they will feel better able to manage their finances when they move into a tenanted property. Over the next quarter the training sessions will continue to be delivered as demand for the service continues to be high and is making a real difference to how local residents feel about managing their money.				

The Chorley Help Hub					
What is it?	To provide flexible, quality, low cost accommodation and office services to the 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sector in Chorley. To develop a common, shared venue for agencies serving similar client groups, to enable closer working ties and easier access and referrals for clients.				
Lead Partner	Help the Homeless				
RAG Status	The project is currently off track due to ongoing delays with the lease negotiations on the Astley Centre. In addition, it has been discovered that the cost to remove the asbestos will be significantly higher than was originally envisaged. This presents a real problem with the Astley Centre as the new home for the charity.  Essentially, until suitable premises are secured, the project is on hold. However, Help the Homeless are continuing to do as much preparatory work as possible. For example, job descriptions have been completed for all the new posts that they plan to appoint to. Extensive work has also been carried out with a team of architects to redesign the Astley Centre's interior to make it more fit for purpose.  Over the next quarter discussions will be taking place, which will be critical in terms of taking the project forward. There will be a range of scenarios that will be explored. In terms of Chorley partnership funding, this will not be released until suitable premises is confirmed.				

Street Pastors					
What is it?	The Street Pastors are in partnership with the local Police and Chorley Council, to create peace and stability in the town centre and trouble spot in surrounding areas. The volunteer Pastors engage with people on the streets and in night time venues. They are there to care, listen and offer practical help during weekend evenings. e.g. accompanying people to hospital, ensuring vulnerable people are able to get a taxi home, talking to those in distress etc. This will fund ongoing training for 26 volunteer pastors.				
Lead Partner	Ascension Trust				
RAG Status	The project is on track and continues to reap positive results in both Chorley Town Centre and Coppull. The Saturday night trial has proved successful and both Friday and Saturday nights are now in operation. In addition, a new management committee has been established, which is made up of key people from different churches who want to get involved in the project.  Feedback from the people that have come into contact with the Street Pastors has been really positive. One young person from Coppull said; 'If I'd have met you guys earlier I don't think I would have been in the mess I'm in'				
	Over the next quarter, the Street Pastors will continue to maintain a presence on the streets of Chorley Town Centre and Coppull. Chorley Street Pastors will also be established as a registered charity. Chorley Council has worked with the project to develop a new range of performance measures, which will be used to monitor the uptake and quality of the service.				

### **IMPLICATIONS OF REPORT**

9. This report has implications in the following areas and the relevant Directors' comments are included:

Finance	Customer Services	
Human Resources	Equality and Diversity	
Legal	No significant implications in this	Y
	area	^

# LESLEY-ANN FENTON DIRECTOR PARTNERSHIPS, PLANNING AND POLICY

There are no background papers to this report.

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