## **OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE**

#### 2 December 2020

Title: The Reviewed Corporate Plan and Single Performance Framework 2020-22	
Report of the Director of Policy and Partnerships	
Open report	For information
Wards affected: All	Key decision: No
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## Summary

Cabinet and Assembly agreed the new Corporate Plan and Single Performance Framework in April and May 2020. This was done on the understanding that their contents would need to be reviewed, later in the year, to take account for the impact of Covid-19 on the Council's plans for the next two years.

While the pandemic continues to evolve, the Council is now in a much better position to understand how Covid-19 is impacting on its resources, priorities and plans. Therefore, over the past few months, the Council's strategic framework, including the Corporate Plan and Single Performance Framework, has been reviewed to take account for the impact of the pandemic, and of the lessons learned in implementing the new Performance Framework since May 2020.

The attached revised Single Performance Framework was approved at Cabinet on 17 November 2020. The attached revised Corporate Plan is scheduled for agreement at Assembly on 25 November 2020.

Both documents are now presented to the Overview and Scrutiny Committee for context, information and discussion. The intention is to enable the Committee to ensure its work and scrutiny is fully aligned with the best opportunities to scrutinise the Council's priorities and ongoing work.

The Cabinet covering report is also attached which sets out many actions which have already been delivered and outlines in more detail the process and logic which drove the revisions to both documents.

#### Recommendation(s)

The Overview and Scrutiny Committee is asked to note and discuss Appendices 1-3 of this report, and consider how the content of the Corporate Plan can support the Committee's work planning for the next two years. The Committee may also wish to consider this in the context of the Ambition 2020 Action Plan, previously discussed at OSC.

# Reason(s)

Section 6 of the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government's 'Statutory Guidance on Overview and Scrutiny in Local and Combined Authorities' states that "the executive should not direct scrutiny's work... but conversations will help scrutiny members better understand how their work can be designed to align with the best opportunities to influence the authority's wider work". The Corporate Plan is presented to OSC with that intention, of supporting the committee to ensure its work is aligned with the most impactful opportunities to scrutinise the Council's wider work.

# Public Background Papers Used in the Preparation of the Report: None.

# List of appendices:

Appendix 1 Cabinet Report

- Appendix 2 Reviewed Corporate Plan
- Appendix 3 Single Performance Framework

A further appendix, the Equality Impact Assessment, is included with the papers for Cabinet and can be accessed at: <u>https://modgovapp.barking-</u> <u>dagenham.gov.uk/documents/s141950/Corporate%20Plan%20Report%20-</u> %20App%203.pdf