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## RUSHMOOR BOROUGH COUNCIL

# CORPORATE SERVICES POLICY AND REVIEW PANEL

at the Council Offices, Farnborough on Thursday, 12th November, 2015 at 7.00 pm

To:

Cllr Jacqui Vosper (Chairman) Cllr D.S. Gladstone (Vice-Chairman)

> Cllr D.M.T. Bell Cllr D.E. Clifford Cllr Barbara Hurst Cllr B. Jones Cllr G.B. Lyon Cllr P.F. Rust Cllr D.M. Welch

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#### AGENDA

#### 1. **MINUTES –** (Pages 1 - 4)

To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 4th June, 2015 (copy attached).

#### 2. COUNCIL'S WEBSITE -

The Panel to receive a presentation from the Council's Corporate Communications and Website Managers on the Council's website. There will be a discussion on key performance indicators and future development.

#### 3. FINANCIAL UPDATE / TREASURY MANAGEMENT -

The Head of Financial Services will provide the Panel with an update on the Council's current financial positon and an update on treasury management.

#### 4. **PERFORMANCE REPORTING –** (Pages 5 - 62)

To receive an introduction to the Council's approach to performance management reporting. This will include an overview of the corporate planning and performance cycle supported by the Quarter Two Monitoring Report (copy attached). Members to consider whether they wish to undertake follow up scrutiny work in any of these areas.

#### 5. **CUSTOMER SERVICES MEMBER REVIEW GROUP –** (Pages 63 - 66)

To note the minutes of the Group's meeting from 17th June, 2015 (copy attached).

#### 6. **WORK PROGRAMME –** (Pages 67 - 80)

To note the Panel's work programme for the 2015/16 Municipal Year (copy attached).

#### MEETING REPRESENTATION

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# CORPORATE SERVICES POLICY AND REVIEW PANEL

Meeting held on Thursday, 4th June, 2015 at the Council Offices, Farnborough at 7.00 p.m.

#### **Voting Members**

Cr. Jacqui Vosper (Chairman) Cr. D.S. Gladstone (Vice-Chairman)

Cr. D.M.T. Bell Cr. B. Jones Cr. G.B. Lyon
Cr. D.E. Clifford Cr. P.F. Rust
Cr. Barbara Hurst Cr. D.M. Welch

#### 1. APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN -

**RESOLVED**: That Cr. Jacqui Vosper be appointed Chairman for the 2015/16 Municipal Year.

#### 2. APPOINTMENT OF VICE CHAIRMAN –

**RESOLVED**: That Cr. D.S. Gladstone be appointed Vice-Chairman for the 2015/16 Municipal Year.

#### 3. MINUTES -

The Minutes of the meeting held on 19th March, 2015 were approved and signed by the Chairman.

#### 4. AREAS OF RESPONSIBILITY OF THE PANEL AND WORK PROGRAMME -

The Panel received a short presentation from Corporate Director, Mr. David Quirk, that reminded Members of the Corporate Services portfolio. It was reported that the Corporate Services Panel's responsibilities covered the provision, planning and management of all issues within the Council's internal administration relating to areas such as financial administration, internal management, personnel and property. Other responsibilities included support for Members, the Mayoralty, civic ceremonial and civil emergency arrangements, as well as corporate planning.

It was highlighted that Members of the Panel could put forward suggestions for the work programme, which would be considered at the midcycle meetings.

Members asked for the budget information for the areas in which they were responsible for scrutinising, at the beginning of each Municipal Year. It

was suggested that this information would assist Members of the Panel in prioritising the work programme and making their decisions.

The Panel **AGREED** that all Members of the Panel would all be invited to the following mid-cycle meeting in order to receive and discuss the information requested.

The Panel **NOTED** the presentation and the priorities for the work programme for 2015/16.

#### 5. APPOINTMENT TO GROUPS -

#### (1) Mid-Cycle Group –

**RESOLVED**: That the Chairman, Vice-Chairman and Crs. D.M.T Bell and B. Jones be appointed to the Mid-Cycle Group for the 2015/16 Municipal Year.

#### (2) Customer Services Member Review Working Group –

**RESOLVED**: That the Chairman and Crs. D.M.T. Bell, A.H. Crawford, D.S. Gladstone, B. Jones, G.B. Lyon and P.F. Rust be appointed to the Customer Services Working Group for the 2015/16 Municipal Year.

#### (3) Communications Task and Finish Group –

**RESOLVED**: That the Chairman and Crs. A.H. Crawford, Barbara Hurst, B. Jones and G.B. Lyon be appointed to the Communications Task and Finish Group for the 2015/16 Municipal Year.

#### (4) Budget Working Group –

The Panel was informed that a review of the Budget Working Group was underway. It was noted that recommendations had previously been made by the Group to involve the Cabinet in the work and a report was being prepared for a future Cabinet meeting.

The Panel supported the review and **AGREED** to recommend the Cabinet to appoint the previous Members of the Working Group to the new Group, alongside the appropriate Cabinet Members.

#### 6. CHANNEL SHIFT PROGRESS UPDATE & DEMONSTRATION -

The Panel welcomed Corporate Director, Mr. Ian Harrison, to the meeting who introduced Mr. Nick Harding, Head of IT and Facilities, Mr. Seamus McAlister, IT Change Manager, Mr. James Duggin, Contracts Manager, and Mr. Philip Roberts, System Administrator.

Mr. Harrison reminded the Panel of the importance of channel shift and the six principles that were being followed. Members were informed that progress had been made since the previous update and a number of services within the Council had started to carry out their business in a different way. The programme of current and future work was shared, which encouraged a discussion on payment shift; this was described as a mature aspect of the project, an example of success being the number of Council Tax payments made by direct debit, which had increased every year since 2012. It was noted that direct debit payments carried the lowest possible transaction costs.

Reference was made to the Council's webpage that displayed details on how residents could pay their council tax bill. The demonstration showed the Panel that most references to 'cash' as a payment option had been removed from key communications. The website offered a number of other channels, such as the facility to set up direct debits online, a 24 hour payment line and information on other locations in the Borough where residents could make a payment to the Council. Members noted that, while a number of new channels had become available, no older channels had been removed. This indicated to he Panel that people were shifting their own behaviours, as opposed to being forced to channel shift due to a payment method no longer being offered.

The Panel was then shown the Customer Service Unit's service platform that is used to ensure a customer sees the right member of staff, the system then prints out a ticket for the customer and logs the queries received by the reception desk. Another demonstration included the self-service platform that was in the process of being trialled before going live. This facility would enable customers to set up their own account and access council tax and rubbish collection information as well as arranging a bulky waste collection. The self-service platform would be available to residents 24/7 and be accessible on mobile or tablet devices as well as computers. The Panel showed an interest in trialling the service themselves.

During a previous update, Members had received an explanation of the bulky waste processes followed at the time. Collections could only be arranged over the phone and the processes were administratively heavy and involved a lot of paper being passed between a number of different people. The new booking system required customers to answer a number of questions on the items to be collected. This enabled the system to calculate the total cost of the collection, it was also noted that any residents receiving welfare benefits would also receive a discount on the overall cost. Once a collection date had been chosen, customers would receive a confirmation of booking email. The booking could then be accessed by the contractors through tablet devices. This would allow them to record and confirm collections and report any issues.

The final demonstration involved showing how the Civil Enforcement Officers (CEOs) were able to use mobile devices to carry out their work. The system allowed them to use their devices to search a vehicle registration number, access permit information and, via a wireless connection, print a penalty charge notice. Residents would then have the opportunity to pay their charge online. It was noted that this example of channel shift reduced the

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amount CEOs had to carry round with them and enabled information to be sent to the Council Offices instantly; staff were adapting to the new system well.

To conclude, Mr. Harrison confirmed that the removal of old systems and the replacement of the improved systems had been a success. It was also noted that future work was underway.

The Panel **NOTED** the presentation.

The meeting closed at 9.16 pm.

JACQUI M. VOSPER CHAIRMAN

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# Strategic and Performance Management Updates Quarter 2 2015-16

(1st July 2015 to 30th September 2015)

#### Introduction

Annually the Council produces a Corporate Plan which sets out its future priorities and planned activities and actions for achieving its purpose.

The image below shows the Council's stated Purpose and the five themes which underpin the Purpose:

# Rushmoor Borough Council, working with others to improve the quality of people's lives.

People have an equal right to live healthy lives, in safe, clean and sustainable places.

We want to address the causes of inequality and help create opportunities for local people to fulfil their aspirations.

We have to target our limited finances to where they are most needed.

#### **People and Communities**

Supporting our communities and meeting local needs

#### **Prosperity**

Sustaining and developing our local economy

#### **Place**

Protecting and developing a safe, clean and sustainable environment

#### Leadership

Providing leadership to make Rushmoor the place where our communities want to live and work

#### **Good Value Services**

Ensuring quality services that represent good value for money

The Cabinet reviews progress against the Corporate Plan, on a quarterly basis. This acts as the key corporate performance monitoring process for the Council.

This document combines both informative data about the Rushmoor area and some more specific data about the Council as a whole and about individual services. It is provided to give an enhanced overview to inform Cabinet's priorities and its monitoring of performance.

This data set is the subject of regular presentations by members of the Council's Directors' Management Board to the Cabinet. In Quarter 1 Cabinet is presented with an analysis of the entire set of data in the document on which it can base a review of Council policy and strategic thinking. Following this, each quarter, a reduced set of data forms a shorter performance management reporting set.

Whilst considerable thought has been given to the chosen set of data included in this document, it is seen as a starting point and it is intended to evolve the items that are included to best meet the needs of managing the Council.

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## Section One: Sustainability of place

#### 1. Summary

#### Indices of multiple deprivation

- The latest update of the Indices of multiple deprivation was released on 30<sup>th</sup>
   September 2015 the key findings are that:
  - Rushmoor has two small areas of multiple deprivation, these are in Aldershot Park and Cherrywood wards.
  - Of the other Lower-layer Super Output Areas (LSOAs), 12 LSOAs are in the 40% most deprived, 11 LSOAs are in the middle 20%, 15 LSOAs are in 40% least deprived and 18 LSOAs are in the 20% least deprived areas in the country.
  - o Ten (17.2%) of the LSOAs in Rushmoor are in the 20% most deprived in the country for Education, Skills and Training.

#### Crime

 This reporting year has seen the evolution of crime classification has led to additional reports being created for multiple victim offences and is anticipated to have contributed to an increase in crime statistics. During Quarter 2 total crime in Rushmoor increased slightly (+4%, n51) compared to the same time last year and this is in line with other areas across Hampshire. Reports of anti-social behaviour reduced by 25% (n225).

#### **Education and skills**

- The 2015 provisional GCSE results were published on 15<sup>th</sup> October 2015. 25% of our state run secondary schools exceed the national average performance.
- As of the 1st of October 2015, one of Rushmoor's 34 schools was graded Inadequate by Ofsted (Cove Secondary), and seven schools were graded Requires Improvement (Fernhill Secondary, Connaught Secondary, Cherrywood Primary, Fernhill Primary, Pinewood Infants, Southwood Infants and Manor Junior).

#### **Economy**

- In September 2015 there were 579 Rushmoor residents claiming Job Seeker Allowance (JSA), this represents 0.9% of Rushmoor's working age population (16-64), this is a slight rise from 574 claimants at the end of last quarter
- Rushmoor's benefits caseload has declined over the past year; this downturn in overall numbers is in part attributable to the Council changing the threshold for claiming Council Tax Support (CTS). The benefit caseload is currently 7,356, down from 7,581 last year.

#### 1. Demographics of our population - no new data

#### 2. Deprivation data - Links with People and Communities Priority

The 2015 English Indices of Deprivation was published on September 30<sup>th</sup> 2015.

The 2015 Index of Multiple Deprivation (IMD) combines a number of indicators, chosen to cover a range of economic, social and housing issues, into a single deprivation score for each small area in England. Most of the indicator data has been taken from the 2012/13 tax year, and some data is from the 2011 Census.

The Indices of Deprivation have been produced at what is called Lower-layer Super Output Area level (LSOA), of which, in 2015, there were 32,844 in the country, with 58 LSOAs in Rushmoor. There are several in each ward, including many that overlap the ward boundaries. Each LSOA is ranked as part of the IMD against all other LSOAs in England, where 1 is the most deprived and 32,844 is the least deprived.

#### IMD 2015 Summary

Rushmoor has two small areas of multiple deprivation – Lower-layer Super Output Areas (LSOA) that are in the 20% most deprived in the country:

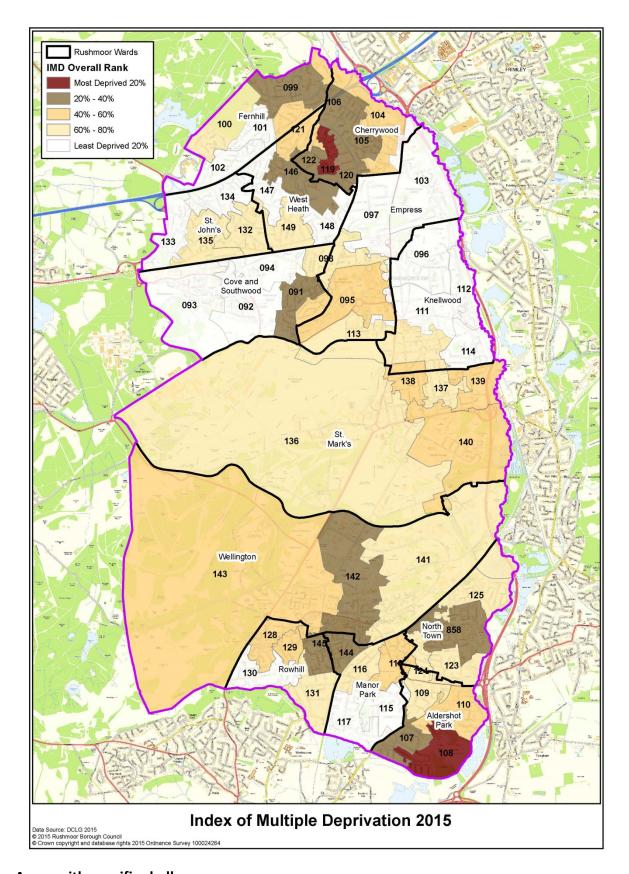
- Part of Aldershot Park ward (LSOA 108 rank 4452)
- Part of Cherrywood ward (LSOA 119 rank 4691)

The indicators used and one of Rushmoor LSOAs have changed since the 2010 English Indices of Multiple Deprivation, so the results are not directly comparable with previous releases. However in the 2010 English Indices of Multiple Deprivation Rushmoor had three small areas in the bottom 20% most deprived in England, LSOA 108 in Aldershot Park ward. LSOA 119 in Cherrywood ward and LSOA 126 in North Town ward. Due to the LSOA boundaries being redrawn after the 2011 Census, LSOA 126 merged with LSOA 125 and became LSOA 858. LSOA 858 is not in the 20% most deprived in England.

Of the other areas, 12 LSOAs are in the 40% most deprived, 11 LSOAs are in the middle 20%, 15 LSOAs are in 40% least deprived and 18 LSOAs are in the 20% least deprived areas in the country.

Further information can be found in the Index of Multiple Deprivation 2015 data sheet on Rushmoor's website <a href="http://www.rushmoor.gov.uk/factsandfigures">http://www.rushmoor.gov.uk/factsandfigures</a>

The map on the following page shows the LSOAs in Rushmoor; the darker the colour the more deprived the area.



#### Areas with specific challenges

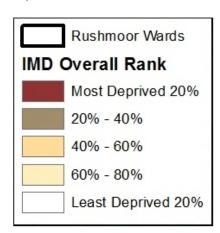
The Index of Multiple Deprivation is divided into seven indicator domains. The table below compares the areas in Rushmoor with specific domain challenges in 2010 and 2015. These

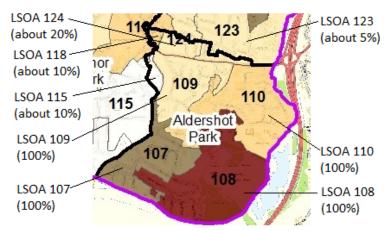
areas are in the 20% most deprived for the domains in England - LSOAs in bold are those that also have multiple deprivation. Ten (17.2%) of the LSOAs in Rushmoor are in the 20% most deprived in the country for Education, Skills and Training.

Deprivation	Lower Super Output Areas 2010		Lower Super Output Areas 2015
Domain			
Income  Employment  Education, Skills and Training	4 pockets  126 (North Town)  119 (Cherrywood)  108 (Aldershot Park)  91 (Cove and Southwood)  3 pockets  126 (North Town)  119 (Cherrywood)  108 (Aldershot Park)  pockets  126 (North Town)  119 (Cherrywood)  105 (Cherrywood)  105 (Cherrywood)  120 (Cherrywood)  122 (Cherrywood and small part of West Heath)  108 (Aldershot Park)  107 (Aldershot Park)  110 (Aldershot Park)  146 (West Heath)	As the indicators changed from the 2010 to the 2015 Indices these domains are not comparable	4 pockets  119 (Cherrywood)  142 (Wellington)  108 (Aldershot Park)  91 (Cove and Southwood)  2 pockets  108 (Aldershot Park)  119 (Cherrywood)  10 pockets  119 (Cherrywood)  122 (Cherrywood and small part of West Heath)  108 (Aldershot Park)  120 (Cherrywood)  107 (Aldershot Park  858 (North Town)  146 (West Heath)  91 (Cove and Southwood)  106 (Cherrywood and a small part of Fernhill)  99 (Fernhill)
Barriers to Housing and Services	1 pocket • 139 (St Marks)		3 pockets  • 141 (Wellington)  • 119 (Cherrywood)  • 104 (Cherrywood and a small part of Fernhill)
Living Environment	No pockets		<ul><li>1 pocket</li><li>144 (Manor Park and a small part of Wellington)</li></ul>
Health and Disability  Crime	<ul> <li>5 pockets</li> <li>126 (North Town)</li> <li>119 (Cherrywood)</li> <li>108 (Aldershot Park)</li> <li>107 (Aldershot Park)</li> <li>138 (St Marks and small part of Knellwood)</li> <li>2 pockets</li> <li>144 (Manor Park and small part</li> </ul>	These domains are comparable as the indicators haven't	<ul> <li>4 pockets</li> <li>108 (Aldershot Park)</li> <li>107 (Aldershot Park)</li> <li>91 (Cove and Southwood)</li> <li>145 (Rowhill and a small part of Wellington and Manor Park)</li> <li>2 pockets</li> <li>145 (Rowhill and small part of</li> </ul>
	of Wellington)  145 (Rowhill and small part of Wellington and Manor Park	changed	<ul> <li>Wellington and Manor Park</li> <li>124 (North Town and a small part of Aldershot Park)</li> </ul>

#### **Aldershot Park ward detail**

In Aldershot Park ward there are parts of eight LSOAs. The map below shows the number of the LSOA in Aldershot Park ward and the approximate percentage of the LSOA in the ward. Each LSOA is ranked in order against all other LSOA in the country, where 1 is the most deprived and 32,844 is the least deprived.





LSOA Code	Approx % in Ward	Index of Multiple Deprivation (IMD) 2015	Income	Employ- ment	Education, Skills and Training	Health Deprivation and Disability	Crime	Barriers to Housing and Services	Living Environ - ment
107	100%	8,022	9,088	7,984	4,055	2,403	15,505	20,429	27,305
108	100%	4,452	6,314	4,165	2,013	2,024	9,874	8,718	29,670
109	100%	20,628	19,347	19,765	15,800	18,747	8,290	30,346	22,506
110	100%	13,208	14,147	15,038	8,131	10,420	9,634	11,010	25,056
124	20%	19,989	20,072	28,300	10,097	22,948	4,106	24,860	21,833
115	10%	28,340	28,500	25,918	22,447	19,410	16,200	30,612	27,423
118	10%	18,732	17,030	23,685	18,926	16,811	6,770	18,710	14,427
123	5%	21,603	20,523	24,512	10,374	21,275	13,418	26,280	19,384

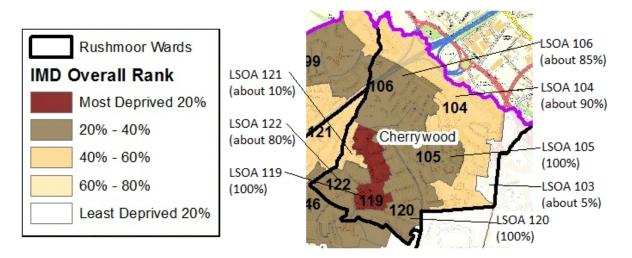
For comparison purposes below is the mean average results for a LSOA in Rushmoor

Average 20181 19580 21581 14603 17722 16387 17798 23688

LSOA 108 is in the 20% most deprived areas for Multiple Deprivation and for Income, Employment, Education, Skills and Training and Health Deprivation and Disability. LSOA 107 is also in the 20% most deprived areas for Education, Skills and Training and Health Deprivation and Disability. LSOA 124 (a small part of which is in Aldershot Park ward) is in the 20% most deprived areas for Crime.

#### **Cherrywood ward detail**

In Cherrywood ward there are all or part of eight LSOAs. The map below shows the number of the LSOA in Cherrywood ward and the approximate percentage of the LSOA in the ward. Each LSOA is ranked, where 1 is the most deprived and 32,844 is the least deprived.



LSOA	Approx	Index of	Income	Employ-	Education,	Health	Crime	Barriers	Living
Code	% in	Multiple		ment	Skills and	Deprivation		to	Environ -
	Ward	Deprivation			Training	and		Housing	ment
		(IMD) 2015				Disability		and	
								Services	
105	100%	10,541	10,304	11,727	8,221	8,881	7,378	8,497	26,547
119	100%	4,691	3,148	5,273	1,257	10,645	13,318	5,169	27,924
120	100%	9,505	7,178	10,520	3,362	12,215	9,610	17,557	27,144
104	90%	16,616	13,534	23,100	9,441	24,458	13,964	5,904	21,848
106	85%	11,847	11,336	14,903	5,389	9,679	16,977	9,823	21,281
122	80%	10,708	10,242	11,968	1,982	12,543	16,116	18,271	25,887
121	10%	17,255	16,985	18,597	6,896	21,034	13,769	14,288	25,027
103	5%	29,259	28,578	31,040	24,926	29,763	18,050	15,440	20,894
F	or compa	rison purpose	es below is	the mean a	verage resu	Its for a LSOA	in Rushmo	or	

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Average 20181 19580 21581 14603 17722 16387 17798 23688

LSOA 119 is in the 20% most deprived areas for Multiple Deprivation and for Income, for Employment, for Education, Skills and Training and for Barriers to Housing and Services. LSOAs 120, 106 and 122 are in the 20% most deprived areas for Education, Skills and Training. LSOA 104 is in the 20% most deprived areas for Barriers to Housing and Services.

#### 3. Crime

#### **Community Safety Partnership data**

The Rushmoor Community Safety Partnership monitors crime rates in the Borough (please also see Community Safety Partnership under Leadership Priority on page 48).

Yearly 2nd Quarter comparison – 2013/14 v 2014/15 with % difference and 2014/15 v 2015/16 with % difference

				2014/15		2015/16	
	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	diff on 2013/14	% diff	diff on 2014/15	%diff
1a Homicide	0	0	0	0	0%	0	0%
1b Violence with Injury	148	152	194	N=4	+3%	N=42	+28%
1c Violence without	130	148	241	N=18	+14%	N=93	+63%
Injury							
2a Rape	11	12	19	N=1	+9%	N=7	+58%
2b Other Sexual Offences	23	22	19	N=1	-4%	N=3	-14%
3a Robbery of Business Property	0	1	0	N=1	+100%	N=1	-100%
3b Robbery of Personal Property	5	1	3	N=4	-80%	N=2	+200%
4a1 Burglary in a dwelling	70	50	19	N=20	-29%	N=31	-62%
4a2 Burglary in a building other than a dwelling	57	59	23	N=2	+4%	N=36	-61%
4b Vehicle Offences	144	129	82	N=15	-10%	N=47	-36%
4c Theft from the Person	10	11	19	N=1	+10%	N=8	+73%
4d Bicycle Theft	66	45	30	N=21	-32%	N=15	-33%
4e Shoplifting	149	139	116	N=10	-7%	N=23	-17%
4f All Other Theft Offences	186	168	172	N=18	-10%	N=4	+2%
5a Criminal Damage	202	198	179	N=4	-2%	N=19	-13%
5b Arson	7	9	5	N=2	+29%	N=4	-44%
6a Trafficking of Drugs	2	13	16	N=11	+550%	N=3	+23%
6b Possession of Drugs	80	64	52	N=16	-20%	N=12	-19%
7 Possession of Weapons Offences	2	7	14	N=5	+250%	N=7	+100%
8 Public Order Offences	51	78	143	N=27	+53%	N=65	+83%
9 Miscellaneous Crimes Against Society	16	21	32	N=5	+31%	N=11	+52%
Total	1359	1327	1378	N=32	-2%	N=51	+4%
ASB	968	904	679	N=64	-7%	N=225	-25%

(Source: data from Rushmoor Community Safety Team based on figures from Hampshire Police)

**Note:** Police activity can push up reporting, detection and conviction rates even if the underlying crime rates are actually unchanged in the short term.

This reporting year has seen the evolution of crime classification by officers (rather than a specific department) which has in turn led to additional reports being created for multiple victim offences and is anticipated to have contributed to an increase in crime statistics. During Quarter 2 total crime in Rushmoor increased slightly (+4%, n51) compared to the same time last year and this is in line with other areas across Hampshire. Reports of antisocial behaviour reduced by 25% (n225).

(Note: we are currently in discussions to try and get clear up rates for the above crime figures)

#### 4. Education and skills

#### **GCSE** results

#### **School reforms**

Due to school reforms in 2013-14 the results between 2013 and 2014 and 2015 are not directly comparable. Some of the changes included in the reforms were to no longer count International GCSE (IGCSE's) in the results, only a pupil's first attempt at a qualification is included, no qualification counts as larger than one GCSE in size (a BTEC may have previously counted as 4 GCSEs) and counting non-GCSEs has been capped at two.

#### 2015 provisional GCSE results

The provisional GCSE results for schools were published on October 15<sup>th</sup>, the actual results will be published in January. Rushmoor has four state run secondary schools, three in Farnborough and one in Aldershot. The 2014/2015 GCESs results (% of pupils achieving 5 or more GCSEs at grades A\*- C including English and mathematics) for the four schools were:

2015 Provisional KS4 Results	% achieving 5+A*-C GCSEs (or equivalent) including English and maths GCSEs	% achieving the English Baccalaureate	Number of pupils at the end of KS4
The Wavell School	59%	32%	171
Cove School	45%	16%	201
Fernhill School	40%	23%	183
The Connaught School	29%	15%	127
England all schools	52.8%	22.5%	
Hampshire	58.5%	25.3%	

(Source: Department for Education http://www.education.gov.uk/schools/performance/)

#### Ofsted

Ofsted inspects and rates education institutions, into four grades:

- Grade 1: Outstanding
- Grade 2: Good
- Grade 3: Requires Improvement
- Grade 4: Inadequate

Rushmoor has 30 primary schools and 4 secondary schools. As of 1st October 2015, 30% of primary schools in Rushmoor are graded Outstanding, 53.3% are graded Good, 16.7% (five schools) are graded Requires Improvement. The five primary schools that Required Improvement are: Cherrywood Primary, Fernhill Primary, Pinewood Infants, Southwood Infants and Manor Junior. All the primary schools that Require Improvement are in Farnborough. All primary schools in Aldershot are currently graded Good and above.

In regard to secondary schools of 1<sup>st</sup> October 2015, Wavell secondary school was graded Good (25%), and Connaught and Fernhill schools were graded Requires Improvement (50%), and Cove school was graded Inadequate (25%). The following chart shows % of Rushmoor primary and secondary schools in each Ofsted category as of 1<sup>st</sup> October 2015.

100 90 Outstanding 30 80 (one school) 70 60 Good 50 50 % 53.3 two schools 40 30 20 Requires Improvement 10 16.7 one school Inadequate 0 Secondary schools Primary schools

% of Rushmoor schools in each Ofsted category as of 1st October 2015

(Source: Ofsted http://www.ofsted.gov.uk/)

#### 5. Economy

#### **Job Seeker Allowance analysis**

In September 2015 there were 579 Rushmoor residents claiming Job Seeker Allowance (JSA), this represents 0.9% of Rushmoor's working age population (16-64). The following chart sets out the claimants as a percentage of the working age population. This was a slightly lower rate than the South East (1.0%), and below the rate for Great Britain (1.6%), but higher than the rate for Hampshire (0.7%).

#### All people claiming JSA

Quarter 1: June 2015 Rushmoor: 0.9% Hampshire: 0.7% South East: 1.0% Great Britain 1.7% Quarter 2: Sept 2015 Rushmoor: 0.9% Hampshire: 0.7% South East: 1.0% Great Britain 1.6%



http://www.nomisweb.co.uk/reports/Imp/la/2038431789/subreports/jsa\_time\_series/report.aspx?)

The following table shows the number of JSA claimant in each ward in September 2015, and the percentage of claimants as a proportion of the population. There are five wards (our old wards) that have a higher percentage of JSA claimants than the Rushmoor average (0.9%), Wellington ward (1.4%), Heron Wood ward (1.2%), Rowhill ward (1.1%), North Town (1.0%) and Mayfield ward (1.0%).

Ward	Total JSA claimants aged 16-64
(Note the wards used are our old wards)	(% of population aged 16-64)
Cove and Southwood	28 (0.7%)
Empress	35 (0.7%)
Fernhill	26 (0.7%)
Grange	34 (0.8%)
Heron Wood	45 (1.2%)
Knellwood	25 (0.6%)
Manor Park	34 (0.7%)
Mayfield	45 (1.0%)
North Town	49 (1.0%)
Rowhill	40 (1.1%)
St. John's	44 (0.9%)
St Mark's	41 (0.8%)
Wellington	111 (1.4%)
West Heath	22 (0.6%)
Rushmoor	579 (0.9%)

(Source: Office for National Statistics <a href="http://www.nomisweb.co.uk/reports/lmp/ward2011/contents.aspx">http://www.nomisweb.co.uk/reports/lmp/ward2011/contents.aspx</a>

#### Percentage of Rushmoor Males and Females (aged 16-64) claiming JSA



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#### Age of JSA claimants

The following table shows the age of JSA claimants in Rushmoor. In September 2015, 1.3% of 18-24 years old were claiming JSA. This was the same percentage as Hampshire (1.3%), and a slightly lower percentage than the South East (1.4%), and a lower percentage than Great Britain as a whole (2.2%). Rushmoor has a slightly higher percentage (1.0%) of 50-64 year olds claiming JSA than Hampshire (0.6%), and the South East (0.8%).

JSA by age	Number in	Claimants as a percentage of total age group in area			in area
September 2015	Rushmoor	Rushmoor	Hampshire	South East	Great Britain
Aged 18-24	115	1.3%	1.3%	1.4%	2.2%
Aged 25-49	305	0.8%	0.7%	1.0%	1.7%
Aged 50-64	160	1.0%	0.6%	0.8%	1.3%

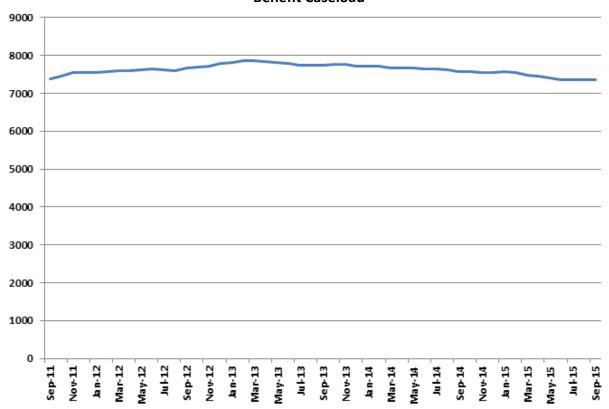
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#### **Benefit caseload**

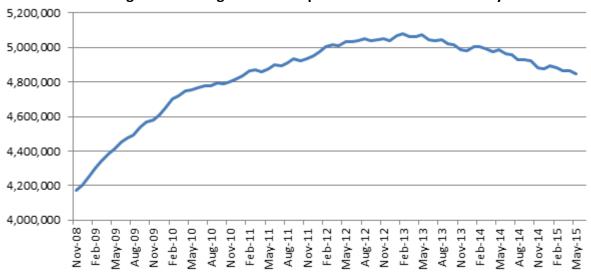
- Sept 2015 7,356
- Sept 2014 7,581
- Sept 2013 7,748
- Sept 2012 7,665

There has been a drop of 225 claims in the past year; this can be attributed to the introduction of our Council Tax Support (CTS) scheme, and an improvement in those of working age finding employment. The number of residents claiming CTS only has decreased by 11.5% (106) from Sept 2014 – Sept 2015. In contrast, the number of people claiming Housing Benefit only has increased 2.6% (56) during this time.

#### **Benefit Caseload**



#### National Figures: Housing Benefit Recipients November 2008 – May 2015



#### 6. Health - no new data

# Section Two: – Corporate sustainability – Rushmoor Fit for the Future

NOTE: This section has been changed from Corporate Health Measures to include the 8 Point Plan and Organisational Development to reflect the importance of these two initiatives in delivering future sustainability for the organisation.

#### **Summary**

#### Overview of Budget

The position to the end of quarter two of 2015/16 has seen good progress towards the £500,000 savings required in the current year. The estimated general fund revenue balance at the year-end is £1.624m, falling within the approved range of balances of £1m - £2m.

#### 8 Point Plan

Below is the summary of performance this quarter for the 8 Point Plan. Green indicates that the project is on course, amber flags up that achieving the action or indicator is in question and red shows that we have not been able to achieve elements of our target.

Summary	Green	Amber	Red
This quarter total (%)	68.75%	31.25%	0%
Previous quarter total (%)	73.3%	26.7%	0%

#### Organisational Development

The status of Organisational Development is amber again this quarter:

- Work on the majority of the OD strategy actions is progressing.
- Resourcing issues are continuing to impact in some areas and for the next quarter we will
  focusing particularly on developing the personnel function, following through the appraisals'
  process and working on organisational skills.
- Three new action learning sets have commenced led by internal facilitators.

#### 1. Budget and savings process overview

The budget monitoring position as at 30 September is as follows:

	<b>Original Budget</b>	2nd Quarter Monitoring
	2015/16	2015/16
	£000	£000
Net Service Expenditure	13,303	13,214
Reductions in service costs/income	(500)	(387)
generation		
Vacancy Monitoring	(315)	(415)
Interest Receivable	(800)	(849)
Contributions to/(from)Reserves	2,358	5,053
Collection Fund (Surplus)/Deficit	(2,133)	(4,504)
Other	-	(10)
Central Government Funding	(6,799)	(6,612)
Contribution to/(from) balances	362	(14)
Council Tax requirement	5,476	5,476
	£M	£M
Projected Year-end balance	2.000	1.624

#### **Quarter 2 Comment:**

The position to the end of quarter two of 2015/16 has seen progress towards the £500,000 savings required in the current year, including new income streams from in-house provision of markets and car boot sales and new advertising income streams from income generation projects within the Council's 8-point plan.

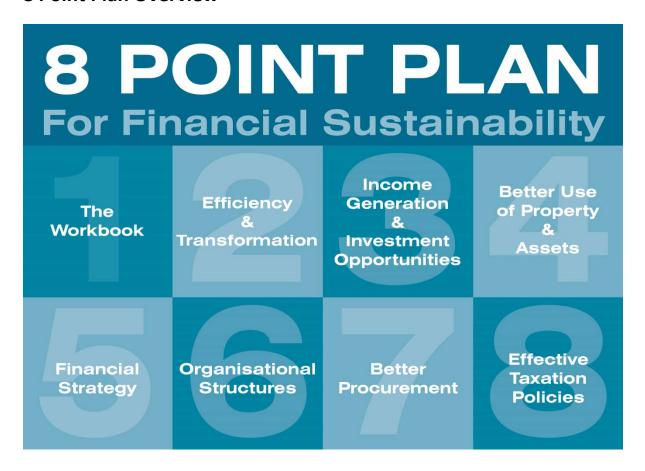
The estimated collection fund surplus has increased significantly due to the operation of the Business Rates Retention Scheme, as costs originally forecast for 2015/16 have been included in the final outturn position for 2014/15 instead. This additional income has been set aside to restore balances in the Stability and Resilience Fund and to support invest-to-save schemes. This change is a direct result of the accounting regulations for the scheme rather than changes to forecast income.

The estimated general fund revenue balance at the year-end is £1.624m, falling within the approved range of balances of £1m - £2m. While this is a positive start to the year, 2016/17 is set to be one of the most challenging yet (subject to announcements in the Autumn Statement and subsequent local government finance settlement) and it will be key that the Council drives forward its sustainability plans and reduces its net revenue costs.

#### 2. The 8 Point Plan

The '8 Point Plan is a strategy to ensure financial and service sustainability, by reducing net revenue spending over the medium to long term.

#### **8 Point Plan Overview**



#### Details of projects under each point of the 8 Point Plan

#### Point 1 - The Workbook

**The Workbook – Scope** To use the Workbook to identify areas to focus most effort in terms of:

- 1. Increasing income generation
- 2. Service efficiency (Point 2)
- 3. Opportunities to cease work
- 4. Short/long term plans

#### Timescales:

Workbook update to:

- Informal Cabinet 27 October 8 December 2015
- Budget Strategy Group 24 November 2015

#### Targets – an indication of the potential savings or benefits achievable:

#### Potential savings:

• This project is seen as a tool to inform and enable reduction in net revenue spend and does not have a specified target

#### Other benefits:

- This work will provide data for Points 2 (Transformation & Efficiency) and 3 (Income Generation) and this will need to be managed accordingly.
- Help identify lower priority work that may be stopped.
- Useful for planning and managing services (including appraisals) and at corporate level
- Enable us to assess if our work and which areas in particular, are making a difference over time
- Will be able to identify the work underpinning priorities like recycling, homelessness and educational attainment to help ensure we are directing the right level of resource (not too much or too little) to areas of importance
- Assist in considering new bids for additional resources to deliver against the aims
- Help identify if our aims are fit for purpose
- Will be able to see and make better collective sense of our whole workbook

#### **Risks:** Potential difficulties:

- Acceptable resourcing of challenge in developing proposals
- Availability of public and customer feedback to make full sense of the measures
- Linking budget information to the workbook items to make sense of the workbook savings

Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	<ul> <li>Agreed approach to discuss achievement of sustainable services with HOS through Corporate Director meetings</li> <li>Meetings with CORDA on how to take Workbook forward</li> <li>Discussions at:</li> </ul>
				<ul><li>Budget Strategy Group</li><li>Informal Cabinet</li></ul>

## Point 2 - Efficiency & Transformation

This work stream includes two projects: Systems Thinking and Channel Shift

**Systems Thinking – Project scope:** To improve the delivery of services and reduce costs by embedding the systems thinking approach into services and the organisation through a blended approach incorporating:

- 1) Service reviews (Parking and Personnel Services especially)
- 2) Embedding learning in organisation (including ongoing support to managers in post review areas)
- 3) Support to 8 Point Plan initiatives (eg Channel Shift)

4) Identifying material from Workbook suitable for Systems Thinking Support

**Timescales:** This is an ongoing programme of work.

Targets/Expected Outcomes – To provide an indication of the potential savings or benefits achievable: Some staff savings achieved and further savings to be delivered through changes in the Parking service. The future work-plan is directly linked to supporting the Council's managers and services in learning how to use Systems Thinking techniques to improve services. This will be expected to thereafter achieve savings as managers apply learning to remove waste and realise cashable benefits.

**Risks:** Programme is a key enabler to deliver Point 2, and there is a need to balance longerterm Organisational Development objectives and achieving shorter term savings with the focus being on achieving sustainable service delivery

Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Comment: Quarter 2 focus on supporting the
				delivery of further improvements in Parking and
				driving forward the Channel Shift and Personnel
				projects.

#### **Channel Shift and Mobile Working – Scope:**

- To provide services in a way that allow customers to interact with the Council in way and time that suits them.
- Streamline processes to meet back office operations, which are essential, but should not divert resources away from delivering services to customers.
- Make best use of technology to streamline end to end processes to ensure effective service delivery and more efficient use of resources
- To deliver modernised services that are accessible and sustainable

#### Phase 1 of the project will deliver

- New customer contact platform
- A range of transactional services branding and content linked to new self-service portal
- Mobile working front line staff integration
- Decommissioning of legacy systems
- Identification of initiatives for Phase 2 development

#### Timescales:

- April 15 Car Park System live
- Summer 2015 January 2016 Phase 1 package, including new technology and bulky waste system, delivered

## Targets/Expected Outcomes – To provide an indication of the potential savings or benefits achievable:

- As an indication, from £10m staff costs a 2.5% saving (circa nine posts) would net £250,000 per annum.
- Immediate cashable savings will come from decommissioning existing IT systems (CRM). These are currently estimated at £30,000 per annum.
- Further savings will come from resources being released in services.

Risks: See below

Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Comment: Phase 1 delayed further to January 2016
				due to difficulties with delivery platform. Supplier
				given ultimatum date of January 2016.

#### Point 3 – Income Generation & Investment Opportunities

This work stream consists of six projects:

**1) Property Investment** – **Project scope:** To consider investing in property, subject to the returns exceeding those being achieved through the Treasury Investment in Property Funds.

Timescales: Scoping report commissioned, due for delivery end May 2015

**Targets** – an indication of the potential savings or benefits achievable: Potential savings are currently unscoped, however returns of 7-8% have been achieved by other authorities

**Risks:** Costs and risks of this approach will need to be assessed against the return on investment of other options (such as property funds – currently 4-6%)

Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Comment: Scoping report agreed by Cabinet
				September 2015

**2) Housing Initiatives – Project scope:** To consider the potential for the Council to purchase properties to rent out privately – currently at feasibility stage

**Timescales:** Currently unscoped.

Targets/Expected Outcomes – To provide an indication of the potential savings or benefits achievable: 2016/17 - £250k

Risks: Risks are as yet un-identified

Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4 Comment: Investigations into the potential for the establishment of an Special Purpose Vehicle continue

**3) Review of Fees and Charges – Project scope**: To review current fees and charges and propose increases

Timescales: October/ November – annual review

Targets/Expected Outcomes – To provide an indication of the potential savings or benefits

achievable: 2015/16 - £172k

**Risks:** No risks have been identified yet.

Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Comment: As well as proposing annual increases,
				this area of work has expanded to identify all fees
				and charges charged by the Council and document
				their charging methodology, levels of income
				generated, whether the charge is statutory or
				discretionary and an indication of the cost of
				providing the service. This will enable a more
				holistic review of fees and charges to be
				undertaken and, taken together with the Workbook
				activity identified above, provide a realistic basis for
				a review of the level of service provided. The
				outcome should be clear and transparent charging
				mechanisms, ease of access to information for the
				customer, and a format for annual review.

**4) Shared Building Control – Project scope:** To establish a joint Building Control Service for Rushmoor Borough Council and Hart District Council, hosted by Rushmoor.

Timescales: July 2015

Targets/Expected Outcomes – To provide an indication of the potential savings or benefits achievable: £30k per annum

**Risks:** Recruitment of suitably qualified building control staff is proving difficult in the current market. This is resulting in a delay to the formal establishment of the shared service.

Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Comment: Joint service delivered July 2015,
				however, the risk identified above may impact on
				the level of savings realised.

**5) Creation of new income generating assets – Project scope:** To provide decking on Union Street West car park and residential development on Union Street East car park, Farnborough

**Timescales:** Project in initial scoping phase.

**Targets/Expected Outcomes** – To provide an indication of the potential savings or benefits achievable: £67,905 per annum

Risks: There are risks relating to development, viability and the ability to let the housing

Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Comment: Project in feasibility/ scoping stage
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**6) Advertising on Existing Assets – Project scope**: To identify and exploit advertising opportunities on existing and new Council assets as a means of generating income

Timescales: Interactive monoliths to be installed in Aldershot by end July 2015

**Targets/Expected Outcomes** – To provide an indication of the potential savings or benefits achievable: Interactive monoliths in Aldershot will achieve a guaranteed income of £10k pa and indicative additional income of £32k pa

**Risks**: No risks have been identified yet.

Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Comment: installation of interactive monoliths
				(including advertising) delayed due to technical and supplier problems. Anticipated live date early
				December.

#### Point 4 – Better Use of Property & Assets

This work stream includes two projects: Consolidation of Assets and Co-location Programme.

**Consolidation of Assets – Project scope**: The project is to make better use of our existing property portfolio and use Council resources more effectively thereby reducing costs

**Timescales:** Project at feasibility stage.

**Targets/Expected Outcomes** – To provide an indication of the potential savings or benefits achievable: To be confirmed after feasibility.

Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Comment: Range of options currently under	
				evaluation	

**Lido Review – Review scope:** With the Task and Finish Group to examine options for the future use of the site and reduce the net cost of the facility.

**Timescales:** Validation work on feasibility ongoing.

**Targets/Expected Outcomes** – To provide an indication of the potential savings or benefits achievable: To be identified as part of feasibility.

**Risks:** To be identified as part of feasibility.

Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Comment: Work on-going with the Task and Finish
				Group to examine options for the future use of the
				site and reduce the net cost of the facility. This will
				also form part of the Leisure Contract renewal,
				which has been brought into the plan so that we
				can monitor this significant procurement exercise,
				with its links to town centre master-planning, civic
				hub and other strategic priorities.

**Co-location Programme (Phase 2) — Project scope:** To create an appropriate and effective working environment which secures significant financial benefit and prepares the Council to meet future changes in services.

#### Timescales:

- Jan 16 Stage 3 complete
- March 16 Stages 2, 4 and 5 complete
- April 16 Stage 6 complete
- May 16 Stage 7 complete
- July 16 Stage 8 complete
- Aug 16 Stage 9 complete
- Oct 16 Stage 10 complete

**Targets/Expected Outcomes** – To provide an indication of the potential savings or benefits achievable:

Additional income of approximately £63k to be received from new tenants

#### Risks:

- Nature of the services to be delivered
- Costs involved
- Logistical issues (use of meeting rooms, parking)
- Resources issues (dependencies on other projects/ work)
- Cultural issues around willingness to adopt new ways of working

Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Comment: Internal moves commenced and plans
				for next period agreed. New tenant moved in to
				Environmental Health and Housing, generating an
				additional income of £7k pa

#### Point 5 – Financial Strategy

The Financial Strategy will be moved forward in the year and linked with corporate priority setting and the corporate plan. It will bring the MTFF into the strategy document rather than reporting it later in the year. MTFF will be adapted to a more strategic level, using high level estimates to provide a direction of travel rather than a detailed budget position. The strategy will be over-arching themes rather than detail plans and the actions will flow from the strategy.

The budget process itself is being refined and improved alongside a review of the coding structure to better facilitate budget management by budget holders.

Reserves, their use and the level of, is also key part of this.

Targets – an indication of the potential savings or benefits achievable: £350,000 per annum achieved from revised approach to Treasury Management

#### Point 6 - Organisational Structure

**Organisational Structural Review – Project scope:** reviewing the functional and organisational arrangements of Rushmoor Borough Council, identifying a range of possible options for the design of the organisation into the future and the implications attached to them.

A new 'budget challenge; process was introduced last year where Directors reviewed service budgets with Heads of Service, seeking savings and suggesting new ways of working. This will continue this year, with 1:1 meetings with one of the Corporate Directors to set the scene, an emphasis in our DMB/HoS appraisals on performance and delivery of sustainability plans and with a request to HoS to compile a list of potential future savings options to be considered by DMB for the medium term.

The 1:1 meetings with the Director will aim to establish a common understanding of the financial position and how we see corporate governance and responsibility coming together at a leadership level.

**Timescales:** October: Themes from first round of HoS performance reviews shared

November: Second round of HoS performance reviews commence.

**Targets/Expected Outcomes** – To provide an indication of the potential savings or benefits achievable: Estimates yet to be identified.

**Risks:** None identified yet.

Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Comment:
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#### **Point 7 – Better Procurement**

This work stream includes two projects: Future Delivery of Direct Services and Procurement Practices and Policy.

**Future Delivery of Direct Services – Project scope**: To explore new ways of delivering contracted services (waste, cleansing, grounds) that will deliver improved service standards and reduced cost. Covers the following service areas:

- Waste Collection
- Street Cleansing
- Grounds Maintenance
- Public Convenience Cleaning

#### **Timescales:**

- Council decision on approach to residual waste collection July 2015
- Procurement process (competitive dialogue) July 2015 September 2016
- Contracts awarded September 2016

Mobilisation of chosen option by April 2017

Targets/Expected Outcomes – To provide an indication of the potential savings or benefits achievable: A potential saving of £.5m over the 10 year term of the contract is possible, subject to the impact of the living wage provisions.

**Risks:** Major risks for project relate to the need for changes to the service and residents' behaviour to generate savings.

Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Comment: First round of competitive dialogue
				complete. Deadline for submission of tenders
				(outline solutions) -2 November 2015

#### **Procurement Practices and Policy – Project scope:** The project will focus on:

- Smarter Procurement
- Procurement Policies

Timescales: To be agreed

Targets/Expected Outcomes – To provide an indication of the potential savings or benefits achievable: It is estimated that a minimum of £25,000 per annum in savings will be achieved.

**Risks:** There is a need to take a balanced view on price, against organisational quality requirements and standards and potential internal costs of change

Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Comment: Revised Contract Standing Orders
				adopted and training completed. Some savings
				generated through tendering exercises (such as
				insurance). Challenge is to ensure that savings
				results in actual reductions to budgets

#### **Point 8 – Effective Taxation Policies**

#### **Effective Taxation Policies – Project Scope**: Annual review of taxation policies:

- Tax based forecasting
- National Homes Bonus
- Council Tax/CTS & Empty Properties
- Discounts & exemptions
- Support to businesses
- Business rates retention

Work is the development of policy through choices and scenario building, Scenarios will be based on the principle of minimum contribution by all. This will be a single common thread running through the various taxation policies. The scenarios will explore different levels of contribution and model the results those levels will achieve. They will seek to identify the maximum achievable level of contribution before collection costs and defaulters negatively affect levels of income

Timescales: Currently no individual projects

# Targets/Expected Outcomes – To provide an indication of the potential savings or benefits achievable: Currently no individual projects

**Risks**: Need to political consensus and agreement

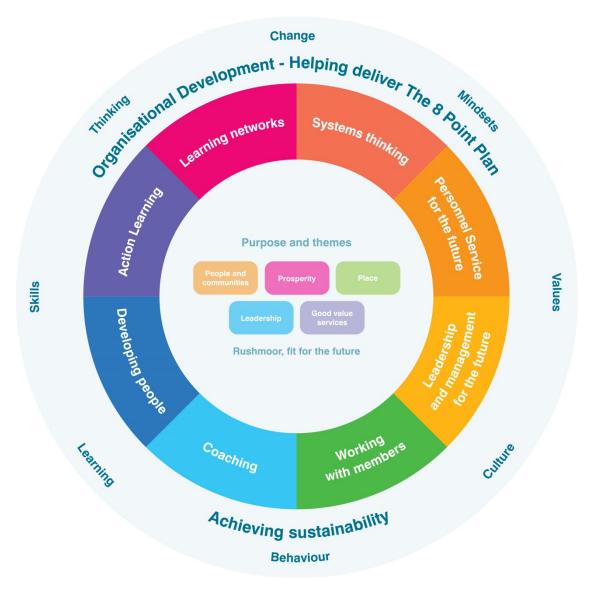
Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Comment: Review of Council Tax Support Scheme is underway, especially in light of Chancellor's announcements on Welfare Reform changes, which will inform any changes for the next budget cycle, post consultation. Member involvement again is key, with the Welfare Reform Task and Finish
				group.

#### 3. Organisational Development

The Council's Organisational Development Strategy is a key component of the Council's approach to achieving sustainability. Its focus is on developing the people in our organisation to respond to the changing context for the Council, the changing needs of our communities and to ensure our staff and members have the skills and capabilities to support the delivery of the 8 Point Plan.

The current strategy consists of eight work streams which are contributing to the following six outcomes:-

- A council better equipped to work with change and complexity
- The leadership we need for the future at every level.
- A sustainable learning organisation
- A culture that embraces challenge and difference.
- Effectively supporting members in their organisational and "local leadership" roles.
- A council that is engaging differently and increasing the capacity of communities, residents, businesses and partners to meet the needs of Rushmoor together



We still need to develop core success measures for the OD strategy for reporting to members. In the meantime, we are assessing our performance by measuring our progress on key actions within the eight work streams that contribute to our organisational development strategy.

Our key actions for 2015/16 are set out below;

- Review and update key personnel policies and processes determine future arrangements for the Personnel Service
- Organisational restructure embed new roles, responsibilities & relationships and support change to mind-sets and new ways of working
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- Continue the Systems Thinking Learning Programme
- Follow up on crucial conversations training, with refresher sessions and wider organisational rollout
- Continue new appraisals' programme and identify supporting behaviours and principles for Council's simple rules
- Maintain the existing two action Learning sets and commence three new sets run by internal facilitators
- Establish Digital Learning Network to support taking forward the Council's new Digital Strategy
- Continue to support the members development Group and undertake community leadership meetings with Councillors for each ward and agree follow up work
- Support the establishment of a front line staff engagement and learning network

Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	<ul> <li>Work on the majority of the OD strategy actions is progressing.</li> <li>Resourcing issues are continuing to impact in some areas and for the next quarter we will focusing particularly on developing the personnel function, following through the appraisals process and working on organisational skills.</li> <li>Three new action learning sets have</li> </ul>
				commenced led by internal facilitators.

Any organisational development programme will need the flexibility to evolve and over time it may prove necessary to update the list of key actions.

# Section Three: Key initiatives and service measures

This section is the key Initiatives and service measures under each of the Councils priority themes. Below is the summary of performance this quarter against the key initiatives and service measures. Green indicates that the project is on course, amber flags up that achieving the action or indicator is in question and red shows that we have not been able to achieve elements of our target.

Summary	Green	Amber	Red
This quarter total (%)	89.6%	10.4%	0%
Previous quarter total (%)	87.9%	11.1%	1.0%
Last year's same quarter total (%)	92.1%	7.9%	0%

PEOPLE AND COMMUNITIES PRIORITY - Supporting our and communities and meeting local needs	Green	Amber	Red
Key Initiatives	20	0	0
Service Measures	9	2	0
Total (%)	93.5%	6.5%	0%

PROSPERITY PRIORITY - Sustaining and developing our local	Green	Amber	Red
economy			
Key Initiatives	14	6	0
Service Measures	4	0	0
Total (%)	75%	25%	0%

PLACE PRIORITY - Protecting and developing a safe, clean and sustainable environment	Green	Amber	Red
Key Initiatives	22	1	0
Service Measures	N/A	N/A	N/A
Total (%)	84.6%	15.4%	0%

LEADERSHIP PRIORITY - Providing leadership to make Rushmoor the place where our communities want to live and work	Green	Amber	Red
Key Initiatives	17	1	0
Service Measures	N/A	N/A	N/A
Total (%)	94.4%	5.6%	0%

GOOD VALUE SERVICES - Ensuring quality services that	Green	Amber	Red
represent good value for money			
Key Initiatives	N/A	N/A	N/A
Service Measures	N/A	N/A	N/A
Total (%)	N/A	N/A	N/A

## People and Communities – Supporting our communities and meeting local needs

#### Values:

- People should be proud of where they live and who they are
- We believe in community influence, involvement, ownership and empowerment
- We want to remove barriers and create opportunities for individuals and communities to have better lives
- We want to help support people in need

#### Aims:

- Understand what matters to communities and what they need and use this to inform service choices and methods of delivery.
- Improve levels of social cohesion and integration
- Regenerate priority neighbourhoods by involving the local community and reducing levels of social and health disadvantage.
- Encourage and promote community engagement and volunteering
- Tackle inequalities by providing support for the most vulnerable people in our communities

#### **Key Initiatives**

#### **Neighbourhood renewal**

 Agree the future approach with RSP partners to neighbourhood renewal following an assessment of the success of existing work and the new indices of multiple deprivation data which is due to be released in September 2015

Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4 Comment:
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#### Cherrywood

Implement the 3 year rolling action plan for Cherrywood

Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4 Comment:	Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	
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o Assist with implementation of Big Local for Prospect Estate Spring 2016

Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Comment:
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#### Aldershot Park

Identify projects to tackle the areas of high priority in Aldershot Park –
 Summer 2015

Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Comment:

Implement the Beat the Streets fitness programme in Aldershot Park – Spring
 2015

Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Comment: Programme completed in Quarter 1
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Implement the Active Families programme in Aldershot Park – Spring 2016
 Q2
 Q3
 Q4
 Comment:

 <u>North Town</u> –Partnership working with First Wessex to assist North Town Regeneration Programme to deliver more\_affordable homes during the period 2016/2017

Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4 Comment: Delivery is on schedule Head of Environmental Health and Housing is leading on a resolution to a covenant issue impacting sales completions

#### **Community cohesion**

Q1

Implement the Borough cohesion strategy

Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4 Comment:

- Deliver the Military Covenant Fund projects including by Spring 2016:
  - Conflict resolution
  - o Better together festivals and events
  - Community communicators
  - o Implement Gurkha Integration Fund proposals

Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4 Comment:

#### **Cultural offer**

Support the Friends of the Museum with a bid to the Heritage Lottery for a Heritage
 Trail for the Borough – Autumn 2015

Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4 Comment:

• Implement the programme to commemorate VE day, WW1 and D-Day.

Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4 Comment:

 Develop a design competition and implement a post WW2 monument – Summer 2016

Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4 Comment:

#### Children and young people

 Implement the summer programme to include discounted swimming, free bus travel for those economically disadvantaged, and street games, art and youth work -Summer 2015

	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Comment:
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 Work with Hampshire County Council to improve the quality of life for young carers in the Borough – Spring 2016

Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4 Comment:

• Provide Think Safe to every 10/11 year old in Rushmoor – Spring 2016

Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4 Comment: Programme complete

**Rushmoor Supporting Families Programme** Leading on Rushmoor and Hart supporting families programme. This programme is the new way of doing things; providing practical help to families early on to stop problems getting worse. The programme asks the families about the things that are important to them, about the things that might help and what can be done differently to support them. Although each family is different the programme aims to help those who have issues relating to:

- Children in trouble with the police
- Children not going to school
- Children who need help pre-school children who don't thrive and children going missing
- Finding it hard to get a job
- Getting the right help and support
- Families with health problems
- Domestic violence and abuse

The aim is not to just fix problem, but to help people discover their own abilities and become more independent

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#### Housing

 Housing Forum planned for March 2016 as key consultation event for the new Housing and Homelessness Strategy to be produced in 2016

Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Comment:
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- Support affordable housing development in the borough
  - o Manage current development programme of 396 units to 2017
  - Lettings planning for North Town, Queens gate and Wellesley as new phases come through

Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	Comment:
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 Under occupancy and chain letting initiative being rolled out to support residents affected by Social Sector Size Criteria (Bedroom tax)

Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Comment: We are continuing to look for suitable
				opportunities

 Increase the supply of temporary accommodation to meet homelessness duty, partnership working with

- Oak Housing
- o Chapter 1
- Wellesley

01	Ω2	U3	04	Comment: 45 units handed over at Clayton Court
l Q1	l UZ	Ų3	Q4	Comment. 45 units named over at Clayton Court

- Supporting people cutbacks for socially excluded
  - o Allocate joint funding to support Hart and Rushmoor's priorities
  - o Monitor impact of reduced funding

Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Comment: Hub intervention has been effective.
			Night Shelter funding in place for November	
			March 16. Site identified for temporary host	

#### Service measures

#### **Housing – Homelessness**

1. Number presenting

2014-15	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	2015-16	Comment
116	38	40				Compared to the same quarter last year there has been a significant increase in homeless presentations - the main cause of homelessness is parental/relative evictions and loss of private rented accommodation.

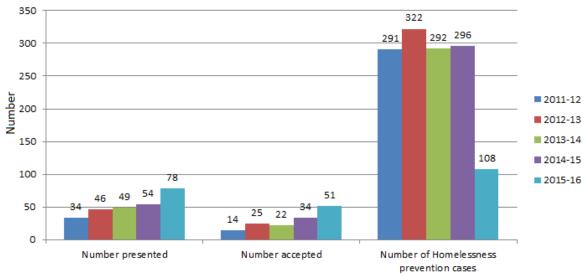
#### 2. Number accepted

2014-15	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	2015-16	Comment	
81	21	30				As above for numbers presenting	
						as homeless.	

#### **3. Number of Homelessness prevention cases** (HOTs and Youth Aims figures combined)

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2014-15	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	2015-16	Comment
651	55	53				

#### Homelessness caseload Quarter 1 and 2 - 2011/12 to 2015/16



#### Housing - Temporary Accommodation - Bed and Breakfast

#### 1. Number in B&B

2014-15		Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	2015-16	Comment
65	Numbers placed	31	19				
	throughout the quarter						
	Numbers as at the end	8	7				
	of the quarter still in						
	B&B						

#### 2. B&B Cost

	2014-15	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	2015-16	Comment
Gross	£172,592	£44,553	£24,723				
figure							
Net figure	£121,774	£30,588	£11,312				
after HB*		**					

<sup>\*</sup>Housing Benefit only covers a fraction of the cost of B&B.

#### **Housing - Temporary Accommodation - Hostels**

#### **1. Number in Hostels** (placed throughout the quarter)

2014-15	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	2015-16	Comment
42	8*	7				

<sup>\*</sup> Please note that the first quarter figure has been amended as it was incorrect

#### 2. Hostel Cost

2014-15	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	2015-16	Comment
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#### **Housing - Gross Affordable Housing Completions**

2014- 15	Target 2015- 16	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	2015-16	Comment
149 (3 year average 98 pa)	Average of 150 new affordable homes p.a. over any 3 yr period		45				Clayton Court

#### **Housing – Net Affordable Housing Completions**

2014-15	Target 2015-16	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	2015-16	Comment
29	150		45				Clayton Court

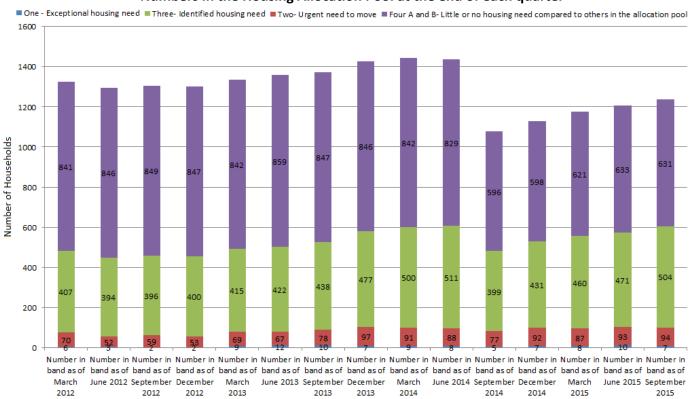
<sup>\*\*</sup> Quarter 1 figure amended

#### **Housing Allocation Scheme**

Band	Need	Number in band as of September 2015	Number Housed July – September 2015
One	Exceptional housing need	7	4
Two	Urgent need to move	94	20
Three	Identified housing need	504	29
Four A and B	Little or no housing need compared to others in the allocation pool	631	4
Total		1236	57

<sup>\*</sup>Households in Band One still need to wait for the right size property to become available for them.

#### Numbers in the Housing Allocation Pool at the end of each quarter



Note: There was a review of the Housing Allocation Scheme resulting in a reduction in the numbers in the allocation pool in Quarter 2 2014/15.

## Prosperity - Sustaining and developing our local economy

#### Values:

- Rushmoor should have attractive and sustainable neighbourhoods, vibrant town centres and be a place where businesses can flourish
- Residents should have the opportunity to learn the skills to secure local employment

#### Aims:

- Raise the aspirations and levels of attainment and reduce levels of unemployment, particularly in young people
- Drive the regeneration of Aldershot and Farnborough town centres
- Maximise the opportunities offered by the Wellesley Development to make the borough a better place to live and work
- Achieve a balanced mix of housing to match existing and future needs
- Make the Borough more attractive to business and encourage a more diverse business mix offering a broader range of local jobs
- Maintain and support the growth of our "Blue Chip"/high value business sectors and their supply chains
- Reduce the levels of economic disadvantage in specific areas in the Borough

#### **Key Initiatives**

 Farnborough Town Centre Regeneration - To progress the master planning vision for the civic quarter

Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Comment: Supplementary Planning Document (SPD) produced following consultation in June/July 2015. Advice being sought on the best mechanism for taking the project forward.  As master planning is complete action is to be amended: Civic Quarter - developing a programme and project plan for taking civic quarter forward. Key stages:  Complete meetings with key stake holders  Negotiate equalisation agreement  Agree overall strategy  Finalise Project Plan
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#### **Aldershot Town Centre Regeneration**

• To work with Allies and Morrison to complete the master planning process for the town centre ready for public consultation in September.

Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Comment: Town Centre Prospectus out for
				consultation which closes on the 11 <sup>th</sup> November.

• To complete the Activation Aldershot Projects

Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Comment: Major works to public realm completed,
				way-finding monoliths installed and shop front
				schemes progressing (5 completed, 4 in progress
				and 1 pending).

#### **Economic development**

• Finalise the Councils Economic development strategy to be agreed by Council by September 2015.

Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Comment: Draft strategy being refined with
				external assistance before consulting more widely.
				Report to Cabinet in December 2015

 Work with Mosaic on Feasibility study to introduce business improvement districts (contract awarded). Feasibility to start in April – report back by November with recommendation on how to proceed

Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Comment: Report on the feasibility delayed as
				consultation period with businesses extended to the end of October. Report to Cabinet in November
				2015

• Reviewing future arrangements for TechStart, to be completed by Summer 2015

Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Comment: The future operation and sustainability
				of TechStart is currently being considered with the
				TechStart Board actively exploring options.

#### **Business engagement**

 Development of the Rushmoor Business Network, 2,500 leaflets going out with NNDR demands to encourage sign up

Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Comment: Action completed in Quarter 1

Localisation of business rates and review— assessment of the implications and issues

Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Comment: We continue to await the results of the
				Business Rates review expected alongside the 2016
				Budget. Meanwhile we have planned meetings with
				the Valuation Office regarding revaluation and
				other issues affecting local business rates collection

#### **Working with the local Enterprise Partnership**

 Engage with and take opportunities offered by Enterprise M3 including development of projects for future funding rounds.

Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Comment:
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#### Skills and employability

Support the M3 local enterprise partnership with the Skills & Employment programme

Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4 Comment:

 Support the Rushmoor employment and skills zone plus the National Skills Academy for Construction

Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4 Comment:

Identify options to sustain the new Skilled Up programme – Autumn 2015

Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4 Comment:

Encourage additional apprenticeships – Spring 2016

Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4 Comment:

Support partners to develop business plans for local social enterprises including
 Source and Vine – Autumn 2015

Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4 Comment:

#### **Educational attainment**

• Develop and take forward work with partners to help raise aspirations and improve educational attainment for students attending schools in the borough.

Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Comment: The Council is working with partners on a number of projects to support schools:
				Mental Health project with Clinical     Commissioning Group and Supporting Troubled     families and least accordance about
				families and local secondary schools.  Recruitment Fair January 2016 – HCC
				,
				<ul> <li>Work Experience Projects with schools and Basingstoke consortium</li> </ul>
				<ul> <li>Moving on Day – Farnborough 6<sup>th</sup> Form</li> </ul>
				<ul> <li>Volunteer Reading projects with Community Matters Partnership Project</li> </ul>
				<ul> <li>PE training programme for Rushmoor and Hart Primary schools</li> </ul>

Work with the County to help raise aspirations and educational attainment –
 placements, mentors, reading buddies and work placed speakers – Autumn 2015

Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4 Comment:

#### Movement around the Borough

 Supporting traffic improvement schemes – Queen's Roundabout, Minley Link Road (Junction 4A), Alexandra Road Cycle Way, Barrack Road/Grosvenor Road improvements and Court Road improvements

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Develop CCTV parking enforcement around schools (subject to Government review) –
 Winter 2016

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• Supporting town centres and parking income with a new strategy Autumn 2015

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Review options for cashless parking – Winter 2015

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• Replace the ticket machines both on street and off street – Spring 2016

Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Comment: Delay starting due to implementation of
				Parking IT software. Now due by Summer 2016
				Date to be amended

#### Service measures

#### Invoices paid on time

Percentage of invoices paid within 30 days

2014/2015	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	2015/2016
98.33%	97.15%	98.17%			

#### **Determination of Planning Applications in a timely manner**

Major applications within 13 weeks

2014/2015	Target	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	2015/2016
83.7%	60%	100%	83.3%*			

This figure represents five of six applications. Two of these were determined in more than 13 weeks however they were the subject of requests for an extension of time by the applicants and therefore are recorded as being determined 'in time' for statistical purposes

Minor applications within 8 weeks

2014/2015	Target	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	2015/2016
89.5%	65%	84.8%	84.4%			

#### Other applications within 8 weeks

2014/2015	Target	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	2015/2016
97.1%	80%	97.1%	100%			

#### % of appeals allowed against the authority's decision to refuse

2014/2015	Target	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	2015/2016
20.66%	40% max	100%*	0%			

<sup>\*</sup>Only 1 appeal decision in quarter (KFC 235 Ash Road). Anticipate this will be rectified later in the year.

## Place - Protecting and developing a safe, clean and sustainable environment

#### Values:

- The world should be protected for future generations
- We should lead by example
- A safe, clean and healthy, sustainable and green environment is essential to quality
  of life

#### Aims:

- Maintain and improve the cleanliness and quality of the borough's urban and natural environment
- Work to protect Rushmoor for current and future generations by:
  - encouraging and enabling people to care about and take more responsibility for the environment where they live and work
  - reducing energy use
  - reducing consumption of non-renewable resources
  - tackling flooding and drainage issues
- Work in partnership to reduce crime and anti-social behaviour and the concerns they create

#### **Key Initiatives**

**Rushmoor Local Plan** - After adopting the Core Strategy to the Rushmoor Plan, Cabinet has revised our Local Development Scheme (with effect from 1 November 2014) and rather than preparing a Delivering Development DPD, to include detailed policies to cover the future of our town centres, employment sites, Farnborough Airport, housing allocations, transport improvements and green infrastructure, we will now prepare a single Local Plan for Rushmoor.

Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Comment: Public consultation on the draft Local
				Plan took place in June-July 2015.

Wellesley (Aldershot Urban Extension) project- To achieve a successful residential led development on land to the north of Aldershot

Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Comment:

#### **Public Facilities**

• Finalise plan for the rationalisation of playareas across the Borough – Spring 2016

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Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Comment:

 Develop a new playground for Manor Park, Municipal Gardens and the St Johns Ward. (£400K) – Spring 2016

Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Comment:					
•	Carry out a p	olanning for	real project	t to create a vision for the Moor Road Playing					
	Fields – Sum	mer 2015							
Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Comment:					
•	Assist Farnborough Tennis Club to develop their clubroom and grounds (£150k) –								
	Summer 201	L5							
Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Comment:					
•	<ul> <li>Identify options for a new cemetery in the Borough — Spring 2016</li> </ul>								
Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Comment:					
•	Relay the pit	tches at the	Ivy Road Pla	aying Fields in North Town (60k). – Summer 2015					
Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Comment:					
•	Produce des	ign for a ne	w changing	pavilion at Ivy Road and identify funding options					
	(£150k) Sp	pring 2016							
Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Comment:					
•	Assist Farnb	orough Rugl	by Club to d	levelop their clubhouse. (£500k) – Summer 2016					
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Indoor Pools - Spring 2016

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 Assist Brickfields Country Park to develop a vision for improvement of the area and identify funding sources. – Spring 2016

Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Comment:

• Arrange the dredging works for the Manor Park Lake – Summer 2015

Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Comment: Working with procurement to engage
				specialist conservation consultant to undertake
				studies of this and other areas

• Increase number of allotment plots in Borough and encourage Allotment self-help groups – Spring 2016

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• Develop action plans to implement the findings from the Playing Pitch Strategy and the Parks, Sport & Recreation Plan. – Winter 2015

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#### Climate change

• Meet the actions and commitments in our Climate Local initiative

Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Comment: Extensive consultation with services
				completed – actions now included on LGA register
				and actions being monitored at the appropriate
				times and with the relevant services

 Plans to reduce CO2 emissions and fuel poverty through government initiatives and working with partners in accordance with Home Energy Conservation Act – Progress Report 2015)

Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Comment: We are still promoting Rushmoor Healthy Living and discretionary energy efficiency grants for our residents. However, there have been no new government initiatives to date to help residents improve energy efficiency. Hampshire CC along with Portsmouth have been successful in receiving some Central Heating Fund money and from that we will be getting some Energy Performance Certificate data which will help us target what we have.
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• Complete the phase out of halogen and SON lighting, replacing with energy efficient LED

Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Comment: On schedule – next projects to be King
				George V and the Municipal Gardens SON phase
				out

 Completing planned energy efficiency works at the Prospect Centre and Southwood Pavilion

I	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Comment: Action completed – next buildings to
					include Princes Hall, the Crematorium and Rectory
					Road Pavilion. Action to be amended

#### Clean

 Introduction of a new way of monitoring satisfaction with street cleanliness and work of the enforcement team

Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Comment: Confirm Connect now purchased and
				under development by IT

• Identify feasibility of providing an interim and longer term depot in Rushmoor for refuse vehicles – Autumn 2015

Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Comment: Opportunities still being explored,
				confident of a resolution in the next few months

#### Service measures

#### Rubbish and recycling data

**Refuse Collection** - Residual household waste collected per household (kg) – year to date figure compared to previous years.

2014-15	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	2015-16
589.33	146 Est	143			

#### **Recycling** – Waste Recycled and Composted

**Quarter 2 Comment** – Accurate audited figures are currently not available for local authorities as Waste Data Flow changed its data system in April. The data is currently being validated, and it is hoped data will be available by Quarter 3. Member group established.

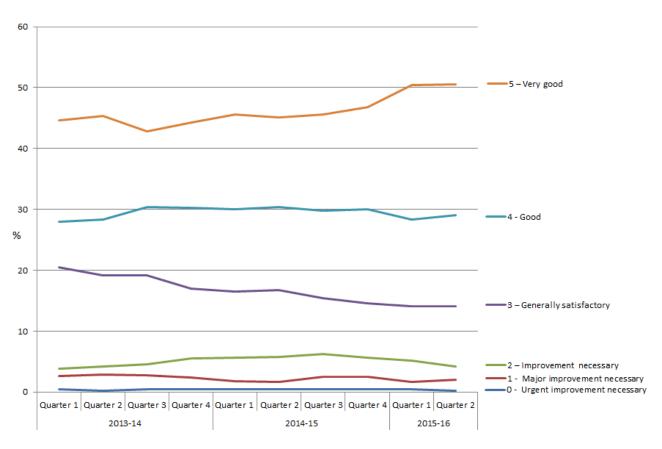
#### **Food Hygiene Ratings Scheme**

The national Food Hygiene Ratings Scheme has been successfully implemented following the launch on 1<sup>st</sup> November 2011. Businesses are now rated 0-5 on the scheme, which can be viewed on the Food Standards Agency web pages.

#### **Summary of scores June 2015**

	Farnborough	Aldershot	% for Rushmoor
0 - Urgent improvement necessary	0	1	0.2
1 - Major improvement necessary	5	6	2.0
2 - Improvement necessary	16	7	4.2
3 - Generally satisfactory	35	43	14.1
4 - Good	86	74	29.0
5 - Very good	153	126	50.5
Total	295	257	100

The % of Rushmoor food establishments rated 0 to 5 over time



## Leadership - Providing leadership to make Rushmoor the place where our communities want to live and work

#### Values:

- We care about our community
- The public must be able to trust the Council to do the right things
- Local people should be engaged in local decisions

#### Aims:

- Champion the interests and concerns of the local community
- Work with and enable our public, private and voluntary sector partners to achieve better Outcomes for the Borough
- Be ambitious for and with local people, businesses and the area

#### **Key Initiatives**

**RSP - Rushmoor Strategic Partnership** – Support the delivery of the Sustainable Community Strategy through 2015/16 and consider future key priorities with the Partnership Current Key priorities are:

- To take a neighbourhood renewal approach to improving Cherrywood, North Town and Aldershot Park
- To encourage healthy weight in both children and adults
- To improve the level of skills and educational achievement
- To encourage community cohesion
- To understand and manage mental health problems
- To reduce alcohol abuse and related admissions to hospital
- To reduce the level of violent crime, acquisitive crime, drug and alcohol related offences and anti-social behaviour
- To support our residents and businesses and enable economic recovery from the recession

Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	Comment:
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#### Recent new:

- At the October RSP meeting partners were given an update on Education in Rushmoor with latest performance results imminent. Challenges included recruitment of 'good' teachers and increasing pupil mental health issues resulting in a new mental health project. With the results of the Indices of Deprivation 2015 hot off the press the Neighbourhood Renewal work initiated from the 2010 results was reviewed prior to a review of the RSP key priorities to take place in the new year. Rushmoor now has two pockets of deprivation rather than three.
- In Brief items included: Devolution, Refugee Crisis, Supporting Troubled Families; Town Centres; Wellesley; My North Town, Enterprise M3 LEP and Economic Recovery

**Community Safety Partnership** - Following the creation of the North Hampshire Community Safety Team , Rushmoor's, Hart's and Basingstoke and Deane's Community Safety Partnerships are to formally merge.

The priorities for North Hampshire in 2015-16 are:

- Antisocial behaviour
- Alcohol related violent crime
- Vulnerabilities
- Substance Misuse

Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Comment: The focus on the quality of crime
				recording has continued into 2015/16 leading to an
				increase in recorded crime. During Quarter 2 total
				crime in Rushmoor increased slightly (+4%, n51)
				compared to the same time last year and this is in
				line with other areas across Hampshire. Reports of
				anti-social behaviour reduced by 25% (n225).
				The amber status reflects the change in the
				recording of crime figures.

**Health & Wellbeing Partnership** —Continue to provide leadership, and engagement of health partners to support the public health needs of the Borough. The key health challenges for Rushmoor are categorised under five themes in the Health Improvement Plan (HIP):

- Healthy weight (obesity)
- Smoking
- Drugs and alcohol
- Mental health and Dementia
- Health Inequalities

Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Comment: The feedback from our joint Healthy
				Weights Conference has been analysed and a
				report created and circulated, with the outcomes
				reported the Partnership at the September
				meeting. Recent JSNA and Health Profile data has
				been analysed and will be used to inform a
				reassessment of the RSPs Health Priorities.

**Local Children's Partnership** - Support the development and the delivery of a new Local Children's Partnership Plan for 2013/15. The five priorities in the plan are:

- Reducing the incidence and impact of poverty on the achievement and life chances of children and young people
- Securing children and young people's physical, spiritual, social, emotional and mental health, promoting healthy lifestyles and reducing inequalities

- Providing opportunities to learn, within and beyond the school day, that raise children's and young people's aspirations, encourage excellence and enable them to enjoy and achieve beyond their expectations
- Helping children and young people to be safe and feel safe
- Promoting vocational, leisure and recreational activities that provide opportunities for children and young people to experience success and make a positive contribution

Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4 Comment:	Q1	(1)	Q3	Q4	Comment:
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#### **Democracy and elections**

Holding the Parliamentary and local elections in May 2015

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• Complete the introduction of Individual Elector Registration across the Borough

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Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Comment:

 Working to reduce the number of void properties on the Electoral Register and to increase the number of registrations amongst harder to reach groups, in particular under 24s and military personnel

Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	Comment:
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 Work to identify and provide support mechanisms for Members leading their communities

Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4	Comment:
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• Continue work to update the Constitution, and review the Scheme of Delegation and the format of the Constitution

Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Comment:
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• Review communication arrangements with Rushmoor's electors, including a Review of democratic web pages

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Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Comment:	

#### **Responding to Government policy**

Welfare reform – Assess the impact of the implementation of welfare reform

Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Comment: Work continues with the Welfare
				Reform Task and Finish group, in particular planning
				the way forward on Rushmoor's Council Tax
				Support Scheme following the recent Budget
				Announcements. Discussions continue with Job
				Centre Plus around the implementation of
				Universal Credit

 Duty to co-operate and neighbourhood planning - We will respond to the requirements of the Localism Act where relevant to the planning system, including the duty to co-operate and neighbourhood planning

Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4 Comment:

 Localism Act and Armed Forces Regulations - Review current housing allocation scheme to ensure it meets the priorities of the Localism Act and Armed Forces Regulations

Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4 Comment:

Dealing with the impacts of welfare reform on Housing - This could lead to a possible increase in homelessness, bed and breakfast costs and additional demand on the Housing Options team. Universal Credit for single working aged people (new claimants only) is due to be rolled out in Rushmoor from February 2016. The initial numbers are expected to be low. Housing Team is working with RP partners and other agencies to monitor the impact, allowing us to respond appropriately.

Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4 Comment:

Responding to new emerging polices after the 2015 General Election

Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4 Comment:

 Working with other local authorities on the development of a devolution prospectus and deal for Hampshire and the Isle of Wight

Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4 Comment: *New action added* 

#### Engagement, communications and consultation

 Public consultation – working with the Borough Services Task and Finish group and the Corporate Services Communications Review Task and Finish Group explore future approaches to public engagement, communications and consultation alongside the development of the Council's equalities strategy

Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4 Comment:

• Communications – maintain and develop the council's website to respond to channel shift programme and increasing demand for access via mobile devices

Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4 Comment:

#### Service measures

#### Social media data

#### **Facebook likes**

2014/2015	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	2015/2016
1,021	1,305	1,581			

#### **Twitter followers**

2014/2015	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	2015/2016
2,328	2,522	2,685			

## Good Value Services - Ensuring quality services that represent good value for money

#### Values:

- People deserve access to quality, good value services
- We will use our limited financial resources well
- We want the public to know they can trust us

#### Aims:

- Continue to maintain a sustainable financial position and target our resources to achieve our aims
- Improve the quality and reduce the costs of the services we support, commission or deliver to our customers

#### **Key Initiatives**

\*\*\*Note: some of the actions, which sat under this section in previous reports, are now included in Section Two of this report \*\*\*

#### Service measures

#### **Council tax and NNDR collection**

	2014/ 2015	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	2015/ 2016
Council Tax	98.2%	98.91%	96.00%			
NNDR	98.8%	103.22%	95.74%			

#### Staffing absence and turnover

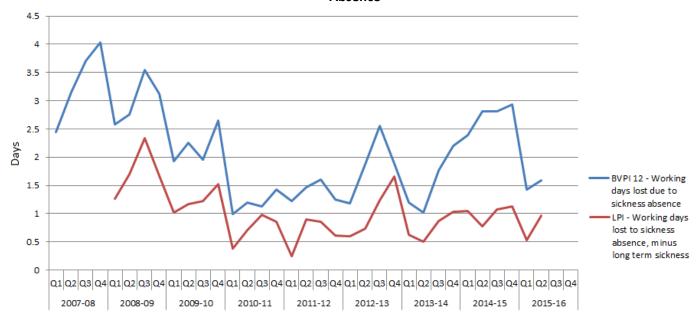
#### **Staffing: Turnover**

	2014/	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	2015/
	2015					2016
Staff turnover	13.64%	3.37	4.05			

#### **Staffing: Absence**

Average number of working days lost due to sickness absence per FTE	2014/ 2015	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	2015/ 2016
Working days lost due to	10.92	1.43	1.59			
sickness absence - BVPI12	(2833	(363	(408			
	days)	days)	days)			
Working days lost to	4.04	0.53	0.97			
sickness absence, minus long	(1041	(136	(248			
term sickness - LPI	days)	days)	days)			





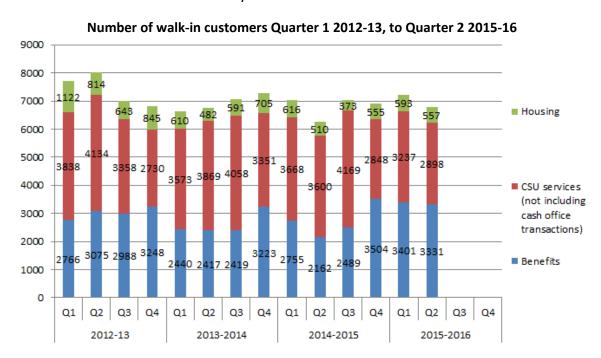
#### **Customer contact data**

#### Services used:

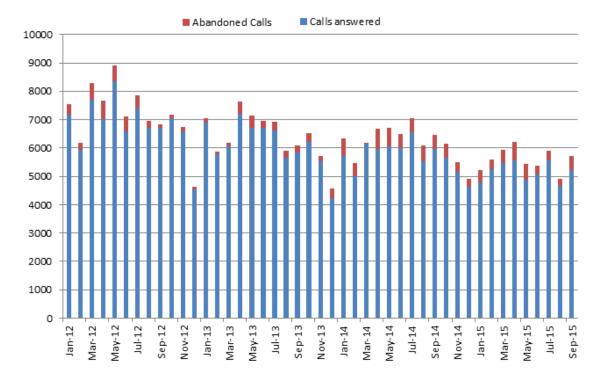
In Quarter 2 of 2015/16, we had 6,786 walk-in customers. The breakdown of these customers is:

- 3331 (49%) for Benefits services
- 2898 (43%) for CSU services
- 557 (8%) for Housing services

From the previous quarter, the overall number of walk in customers has decreased by 6.2%. Benefit services saw 70 fewer customers, Customer Services saw 339 fewer customers and Housing Services 36 fewer customers. From the same quarter last year, the overall number of walk in customers has increased by 8.2%.



CSU Call Statistics: January 2012 – September 2015



In the last quarter, the CSU have answered 15,445 calls. This is a decrease of 2,628 (14.5%) on the same period last year.

	Jul-Sept 2015	Jul-Sept 2014	Jul-Sept 2013
Calls offered	16,562	19,592	19,795
Calls answered	15,445	18,073	18,993
Calls abandoned	1,117	1,519	802
Abandoned rate	7%	8%	4%

The abandoned call rate during Quarter 2 2015 is lower than the same period in 2014 but higher than in 2013. This is largely attributable to pressure on staff resources, the CSU have been carrying a number of vacancies throughout this period. New staff members have been recruited, however the recruitment process is relatively protracted, and once appointed they have to undergo significant training until they are operational. In addition, there has still been a turnover in staff either leaving Rushmoor or being on secondments to other Services.

Also during this period, we have seen an increase again in the number of people making payments via the automated payment line – requiring no assistance from the Customer Service Team, an example of positive ongoing Channel Shift.

	Payments via the automated payment line
Jul-Sept 2015	2,984 (5.6% increase on previous year)
Jul-Sept 2014	2,825 (2.6% increase on previous year)
Jul-Sept 2013	2,752

#### **Customer Satisfaction**

During Quarter 2, 62 customer satisfaction surveys were completed. During this period, 85% of customers rated our service 10/10.

Breakdown of Surveys by Service				
CSU Staff	39			
Benefits Staff	13			
Housing Staff	4			
Licensing Staff	3			
Diya (Nepalese CSA)	1			
Allotments Officer	1			
Planning Staff	1			

Allotments
Planning
Diya
Licencing
Housing
CSU
Benefits

Quarter 1 – 2015 - 2016 Customer Satisfaction Survey

Some examples of the feedback received during Quarter 2 include:

- (+)Friendly, clear, explanatory and efficient....Thanks
- (+)An amazing lady she deserves a pay rise and she has never been into such a lovely place where everyone is so helpful and smiling

Score Given

(-)No score given - Such a long wait

The following chart shows the percentage of customers who scored the service they received 10 out of 10 over time. The apparent fall in the percentage of customers scoring the service 10 out of 10 probably results from a change in survey method, from actively seeking feedback in quiet times to the "self- serve" option, however to increase representative responses the method to obtain feedback is has changed in Quarter 2.

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The percentage of customers who scored the service they received 10 out of 10



#### Web customer contact

#### **Monthly Visitors to the Council Website**



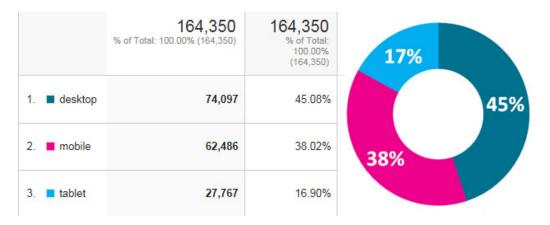
In Quarter 2 of 2015/16 we had 164,350 visits to the website. This is a decrease of 16,617 visits (-9%) on the previous quarter – due to the volume of visits for the elections held in May. There was an increase of 16,663 visits (+11%) on the same quarter from last year.

#### Up time

Our website is independently monitored by an external company who checks that our servers are responding and producing content 24/7.

In Quarter 2 we had a total up-time of 99.77%. This is slightly lower than last quarter's 99.99%. We had some problems early morning on 21 August and 7 September.

#### Visits to the council website by device



In Quarter 2 of 2015/16 we had 90,253 visits (55% of total visits) to the website by mobile/tablet. The percentage of total visits by mobile/tablet was 54% in Quarter 1 and 46% in Quarter 2 of 2014/15.

#### **Pageviews**

Top three page views for content in Quarter 2

- 1. Hampshire Waste and Recycling Centre (HWRC) 13,067
- 2. Search for, or comment on, a planning application 8,230
- 3. Bin collections 7,368

Top 20 pageviews on the council website

No	July	August	September
1	Home (15,062)	Home (13,942)	Home (13,653)
2	HWRC (4,692)	HWRC (4,778)	HWRC (3,597)
3	Aldershot Lido prices (3,927)	Bin Collections (2,543)	Caution for home tattooist (3,388)
4	Search for, or comment on, a	Search for, or comment on, a	Bin Collections (2,994)
	planning application (2,849)	planning application (2,469)	
5	Planning applications (2,521)	Aldershot Lido prices (2,407)	Search for, or comment on, a
			planning application (2,912)
6	Planning (2,214)	Planning applications (2,206)	Planning applications (2,475)
7	Rubbish and recycling (1,991)	Rubbish and recycling (2,054)	Planning (1,837)
8	Bin Collections (1,831)	Planning (1,919)	Rubbish and recycling (1,822)
9	Contact us (1,784)	Pay council tax (1,713)	Adult learning and evening classes
			(1,753)
10	Live music day (1,661)	Council tax (1,711)	Contact us (1,648)
11	Pay council tax (1,626)	Contact us (1,665)	Council tax (1,631)
12	Lido (1,605)	Adult learning and evening	Pay council tax (1,588)
		classes (1,566)	
13	Council tax (1,528)	Farnborough leisure centre and	Our vacancies (1,265)

		Farnborough bowl (1,505)	
14	Our vacancies (1,387)	Our vacancies (1,282)	Job opportunities (1,196)
15	Job opportunities (1,280)	Farnborough car boot sale (1,279)	Farnborough leisure centre and
			Farnborough bowl (1,165)
16	Housing and Benefits (1,258)	Markets (1,201)	Housing and Benefits (1,159)
17	Car parks (1,225)	Housing and Benefits (1,152)	Aldershot Garrison Sports centre
			(1,090)
18	Farnborough leisure centre	Job opportunities (1,148)	Car parks (1,054)
	and Farnborough bowl (1,209)		
19	Adult learning and evening	What to put in your blue recycling	Markets (1,040)
	classes (1,183)	bin (1,008)	
20	Parking (1,176)	Car parks (998)	Farnborough car boot sale (949)

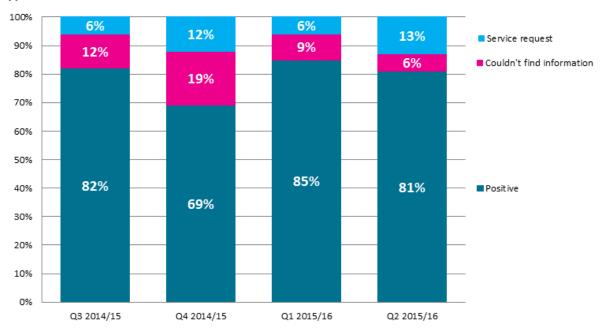
#### Website visitor satisfaction

Every visitor to our website who visits a content page, has the opportunity to provide feedback about their visit.

We ask after reading down the web page, if they found what they were looking for. The basis of this question allows us to produce the graph below. This graph shows the percentage of completed forms that were positive, led to visitors unable to find the information they were looking for or led them to request a specific service.

In Quarter 2 we had a total of 736 completed feedback forms.

#### Types of feedback





## Customer Services Members Review Group Wednesday 17th June 2015, 6:00pm (Vulcan Room)

#### **Notes**

**Present:** Councillors: Crawford, Rust, Jones and Vosper

lan Harrison, Corporate Director Amanda Fahey, Head of Finance

Andrew Colver, Head of Democratic and Customer Services

Dawn Kelly, Revenues and Benefits Manager Adrian Long, Customer Services Support Officer

#### **Welcome and Apologies**

IH welcomed the group and apologies from Cllr Bell were acknowledged.

#### **Scope of the Group**

IH explained to the Members that following the Organisational re-structure, the Officers attending the group has changed although the purpose of the Group has not fundamentally changed. IH advised that AEC was attending with a "watching brief" tonight, as AEC is now responsible for the CSU.

Cllr. Crawford asked if there was information around "indirect" customers, such as the users of the Lido and Princes Hall.

Cllr. Jones agreed that there should be a corporate expectation of customer service for the Council's external agents

IH suggested that the group should look at a published standard of customer service as an item for a future meeting.

#### **Recent Work**

IH reminded the group of the previous one off pieces of work they have been involved in such as: Changes to rates appeals system:- Impact of co-location and customer contact around welfare change.

#### **Local Taxation**

#### → Update on collection rates

IH presented the end of year collection figures and advised the group that the collection rate has remained steady, despite the increase in the amount due even though most preceptors have frozen the amount of tax due. The increase in value is because of the introduction of residents in receipt of Council Tax Support now having to pay a proportion of their Council Tax. IH said that it is important to move away from just looking at the collection rate and to focus on the amounts both due and the arrears.

Cllr Jones asked if the preceptors shared the amounts that remain uncollected – IH assured him that is the case.

Cllr Vosper asked if the 98.2% was the final figure – IH advised about the recovery taken and confirmed that the majority of Council Tax does get collected (less than 1% ultimately remaining unpaid and written off).

Cllr Crawford asked about the percentage of CTS payers that pay – IH advised that overall there is a lower percentage, but the amount due from payers is considerable smaller.

Cllr Crawford also asked about the Exceptional Hardship Fund and if this is being used – DMK advised that around £7K had been awarded last year.

#### → Court Costs

IH informed the group of the recent court case of Rev. Nicholson v Tottenham Magistrates Court, when Rev. Nicholson objected to the granting of costs to Haringey Council for obtaining a liability order for non-payment of Council Tax. The case was found in favour of Rev. Nicholson, as Haringey could not justify the level of costs awarded. This judgement has caused local authorities to look at their costs as the Magistrates at future hearings may challenge them. IH showed a detailed breakdown of the costs requested by RBC, which was used as an example at a recent IRRV forum. IH also showed a table of costs charged by other LA's, and RBC appear in the middle of the scale of charges. IH then asked Members for their thoughts on the costs charged by RBC.

Cllr Crawford thought that the whole charging system may be difficult to justify – including the £3 charged for the summons – as most of the process is automated.

Cllr Jones stated that although the final output is automated, there is a lot of work involved to get to that stage.

Cllr Vosper thought the costs were reasonable but asked about the reduced amount charged for CTS as a non-CTS resident who gets charged the full costs could challenge this. IH agreed that it is not supported by the law, other than natural justice, AF advised it was a concession granted by RBC.

DMK advised the group that she is looking to introduce a more pro-active approach before the issuing of court documents.

#### **Benefits**

### → Caseload figures (Housing Benefit, Council Tax Support, Jobseekers Allowance & ESA)

DMK showed that the overall benefit caseload in Rushmoor continues to decrease and has done since March 2013.

DMK said that some of the decrease in JSA claimants can be attributed to sanctions being imposed. She advised that figures could be available on the number of sanctions locally if Members required them.

Cllr Crawford asked if there was a delay in the ESA assessments, hence the gradual increase.

DMK advised that RBC has a relatively low number of ESA claimants compared to the National figure.

#### $\rightarrow$ Speed of Processing Data

DMK presented the latest speed of processing data released by the DWP, this shows RBC were equal second quickest (alongside Fareham and behind Boston) in the country at processing new claims and changes in circumstances, processed in 5 days and 2 days respectively (22 days and 11 days – Nationally).

#### → Real Time Information

DMK shared some information on the amount of overpayments being identified by RTI and the effect on the workload of the Benefits team. The current system is very labour intensive but the files need to be actioned within 30 days otherwise the overpayment becomes a LA error and the subsidy paid to RBC is reduced. The effect on the amount of debt owed to RBC was also highlighted. There was a general discussion around the publicity surrounding court cases, and although the positive effect was acknowledged because residents are aware of the investigations taking place, the general consensus was that "naming and shaming" is not popular.

AF asked about the effect on team morale as RTI is highlighting errors, but DMK said that there was no negative effect and the team are trying to educate residents about the importance of notifying RBC about any changes to their income.

Cllr Crawford asked if there was any particular difficulties experienced by non-English speaking residents – DMK advised that most of the Nepali residents are not of working age, so are not really affected by RTI.

#### → Universal Credit

DMK updated members on the latest national situation. Rushmoor is in tranche 4 with an expected go live date of February 2016

#### → Universal Support

DMK explained that the Local Framework group is still meeting, next date is 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2015

#### **Post-Election Update**

#### → Queen's Speech

IH went through some points of the Full Employment & Welfare Benefits Bill and highlighted the potential implications for RBC. The lowering of the Benefit cap will affect some claimants but the exact number is not yet known. Also, the removal of the automatic entitlement to Housing Benefit for 18-21 year olds will have an effect.

#### → Emergency Budget

IH advised there is speculation about what will be included in the budget on 8<sup>th</sup> July. The already announced Business Rates review is due to be completed by Budget Day 2016

Cllr Jones asked if there was likely to be a review of Council Tax – AF mentioned a Bill that is on its first reading in the House of Lords looking at Council Tax banding for new properties.

#### Items for future meetings

IH listed the items he felt were important for future meetings:

- → Response to 8<sup>th</sup> July Emergency Budget measures
- → Contact through the Customer Services Unit
- → SFIS Single Fraud Investigation Service
- → Future Review of NNDR
- → Building the Budget
  - Council Tax Base setting
  - Council Tax Surplus Deficit Account
  - NNDR Surplus Deficit Account
- → Member Views

Cllr Crawford requested that information on Customer Satisfaction Surveys be made available.

Date of next meeting - 1<sup>st</sup> October 2015 – 6pm – Vulcan Room

# Agenda Item 6 AGENDA ITEM NO 6.

#### **CORPORATE SERVICES POLICY AND REVIEW PANEL**

#### **WORK PROGRAMME**

Set out below are the key issues which form the basis of the Panel's work programme within the Corporate Services portfolio. The topics covered reflect the following:

- items raised by Members and agreed by the Panel for consideration
- review of performance and delivery of specific services
- monitoring and scrutinising the activities of others
- scrutiny of the process of the way in which decisions have been or are being made
- review of policies and proposals developed by others
- reviewing issues of concern to local people or which affect the Borough
- the development of a new policy for recommendation to the Cabinet

whe work programme shows the way in which topics are being dealt with and the progress made with them. An update will be submitted to each meeting of the Panel.

# CORPORATE SERVICES PORTFOLIO ACCOUNTABILITY AND AREAS OF RESPONSIBILITY

e terms of reference of the Panel will include the areas contained in the Corporate Services portfolio together with functions within the responsibility of the Leader and Deputy Leader. The functions set out in the Scheme of Delegation are:

#### **Financial Administration**

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To deal with financial policy and financial administration including:

- Financial Regulations
- Preparation and monitoring of the capital and revenue budgets
- Rating, benefits and Council Tax administration
- Insurance matters

#### **Internal Organisation**

To deal with the organisation of the Council's administration including:

- ◆ The Council's Office accommodation and equipment
- Information technology and data protection
- Local Land Charges
- Public relations
- Council Offices catering
- Support services

#### **Personnel and Human Resources**

To deal with human resources issues including:

- Personnel strategies and policies
- Organisational structures and manpower budgets
- ♦ Policy on appointments, terms and conditions and welfare of staff
- ♦ Job evaluation
- Training and development
- ♦ Personnel and payroll administration

#### **Property**

To control and manage the Council's property investments including:

- Shop and commercial premises let by the Council
- Industrial estates
- ♦ Council owned development sites

To keep under review the Council's overall corporate property portfolio including:

- Maintenance of assets
- New arrangements for leasing or licensing of premises
- Changes of use
- ♦ Estate management policies

#### **Other Matters**

- Support for Members
- ♦ Emergency planning procedures
- Service quality, customer care and performance management systems
- ◆ The Council's strategic objectives and corporate planning process
- ♦ Civic ceremonial and insignia
- Members' allowances

## **SCRUTINY & PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT**

REPORTING CYCLE/ DATE RAISED	ISSUE	CURRENT POSITION	PROCESS AND TIMETABLE	CONTACT (SERVICE MANAGER)
Annually	Asset Management	The Solicitor to the Council and the Head of Democratic Services have responsibility for developing the Council's draft Asset Management Plan. The Plan provides a strategic overview of the Council's property and land assets and the processes and policies by which the assets would be managed and maintained.  The Panel received a report from the Solicitor to the Council on 15th January, 2015 that provided them with an overview of the extent of the Council's property portfolio, income streams and future strategic plans.	The Panel to receive an update on 31st March, 2016.	Ann Greaves Solicitor to the Council Tel. (01252) 398600 ann.greaves@rushmoor.gov.uk
Bi-annually	Financial Management	The Head of Finance provided an update on the Council's financial position on 15th January, 2015.	The Panel to receive an update on 12th November, 2015.	Amanda Fahey Head of Financial Services and Chief Finance Officer Tel. (01252) 398440 amanda.fahey@rushmoor.gov.uk
Pag#.14	Business Rates Retention Scheme	The Government had introduced a new business rate retention system in April, 2013. The new policy meant that local authorities were now able to keep some	The Scheme will be reviewed by the Government in 2017. In the meantime Members will receive annual updates on the impact of	Amanda Fahey Head of Financial Services and Chief Finance Officer Tel. (01252) 398440

REPORTING CYCLE/ DATE REAISED	ISSUE	CURRENT POSITION	PROCESS AND TIMETABLE	CONTACT (SERVICE MANAGER)
e 70		of the business rates collected rather than receiving a government grant. The amount of grant which could be retained by Local Authorities would be dependent on the number of new businesses in the area.  An update was made to the Panel on 26th June, 2014.	to the Panel on 31st March,	amanda.fahey@rushmoor.gov.uk
31.5.12	Treasury Management	Members had requested that a review of treasury management be carried out to look at performance, performance measures and possible alternative ways of investing the Council's financial reserves.	A report will be made to the Panel on 12th November, 2015.	
31.5.12	Corporate Health and Safety	The Panel reviewed the Council's approach to Corporate Health and Safety, including the Council's performance and Health and Safety Inspections at the meeting on 19th March, 2015.	An update can be provided to the Panel upon request.	Qamer Yasin Head of Environmental Health and Housing Services Tel: (01252) 398640 Email qamer.yasin@rushmoor.gov.uk
23.3.06	Procurement Strategy	The Panel considered the Strategy for 2013/14 at the meeting on 21st March, 2013. The Strategy would focus on achieving savings, supporting Rushmoor employees with training skills	The Head of Strategy and Communications and the Solicitor to the Council will make a report to the Panel on 12th November, 2015. The report	Head of Strategy, Engagement and Organisation Development

REPORTING CYCLE/ DATE RAISED	ISSUE	CURRENT POSITION	PROCESS AND TIMETABLE	CONTACT (SERVICE MANAGER)
		and supporting local businesses through enhancing links with economic development.	will cover how the Council is approaching procurement, its draft future strategy and the following issues raised by Members:  • information on the number of staff using the Council's centralised purchasing system;  • the percentage spent locally; and  • more data to enable the Panel to measure the success of the Council's	Email. karen.edwards@rushmoor.gov.uk
7.11.13 Page 71	Procurement – The Social Value Act	The Social Value Act had received Royal Assent in March, 2012. The Panel reviewed the Council's obligations under the Act at its meeting on 7th November, 2013. The Act required that public authorities should take into account wider economic, environmental and social benefits before beginning the procurement process.  The Panel felt that the Council could benefit from developing a policy around	procurement strategy.	Karen Edwards Head of Strategy, Engagement and Organisation Development Tel. (01252) 398800 Email. karen.edwards@rushmoor.gov.uk

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e 72		what social value meant to Rushmoor in order to embed it effectively into the procurement processes.  The Chairman (Cr. Jacqui M. Vosper), D. Gladstone, Barbara Hurst, B. Jones, G.B. Lyon and Malcolm Small had been appointed to a task and finish group for the 2014/15 Municipal Year to assist in the development of the Council's Social Value Policy. The original group had met early in 2014 and completed the work required on Social Value. The outcomes will be fed into the new Procurement Strategy.		
3.4.14	Contract Management	The Panel received an update that included information on the Council's current contracts, its method of procuring contract services and the generic approach to the subsequent management of its contracts on 13th November, 2014		Ann Greaves Solicitor to the Council Tel. (01252) 398600 ann.greaves@rushmoor.gov.uk
10.9.09	Office Co-Location Project	The project is now well advanced and a range of County Council services, together with the Farnborough Safer Neighbourhood Team relocated to the offices in the Autumn, 2013. The project has significant implications for the Council but also has a number of major	Customer Services can provide the Panel with a further update	

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		benefits, including the integration of services and realisation of substantial income.  A update was made to the Panel on 19th March, 2015.		
Annually	Personnel Monitoring	The Panel received a presentation from the Principal Personnel Officer and The Head of Strategy, Engagement and Organisational Development at the meeting on 13th November, 2014 which provided information requested by the Panel on Organisational Development, staff welfare data and the professional development offered to staff.	An update to be presented to the Panel when requested.	Karen Edwards Head of Strategy, Engagement and Organisation Development Tel: (01252) 398800 karen.edward@rushmoor.gov.uk
4.12.03 Page 73	Information and Communications Technology (ICT) & Digital Strategy	Digital Strategy: On 10th September, 2015, the Panel hosted an all-Member Seminar on Rushmoor's Digital Strategy. The purpose of the seminar was:  • to provide a brief overview of the technological changes taking place  • to describe the initial work undertaken in the development of the Digital Strategy  • to consult Members on their thoughts and ideas for a digital	An update will be provided to the Panel in the 2016/17 Municipal Year.	Nick Harding Head of IT and Facilities Services Tel. (01252) 398650 Email. nick.harding@rushmoor.gov.uk  Ian Harrison Corporate Director Tel. (01252) 398300 Email. ian.harrison@rushmoor.gov.uk

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e 74		strategy and their ambition for a Digital Rushmoor  to agree next steps and scope of remaining activity to complete the Digital Strategy		
31.5.13	Systems Thinking	The Panel received a presentation at the meeting on 19th March, 2015 on how the Council was using Systems Thinking to improve services and reduce costs in Rushmoor. To date this approach had been used in a number of Services and efficiencies had translated into cost savings.	on Systems Thinking, focusing on cost benefit analysis, on <b>28th</b>	Corporate Director
3.4.14	The Emergency Plan	The Panel received an update on the Council's emergency plan at the meeting on 15th January, 2015. Members were also invited to attend a drill in March, 2015 which allowed them to observe the emergency plan in practice.	An update to be provided upon request.	Karen Edwards Head of Strategy, Engagement and Organisation Development Tel: (01252) 398800 karen.edward@rushmoor.gov.uk

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20.08.15	Performance Reporting	This item was raised during a workshop held on 20 <sup>th</sup> August, 2015, where the Panel were provided with the budget information for the Corporate Services portfolio.	The Panel to be presented with this item on 12th November, 2015.	
20.08.15	Land Charges	This item was raised during a workshop held on 20 <sup>th</sup> August, 2015, where the Panel were provided with the budget information for the Corporate Services portfolio.	This item will be raised at the Panel meeting on 28th January, 2016.	
20.08.15 Page 75	Mayoral Costs	This item was raised during a workshop held on 20 <sup>th</sup> August, 2015, where the Panel were provided with the budget information for the Corporate Services portfolio.	This item will be presented at the Panel meeting on 28th January, 2016.	

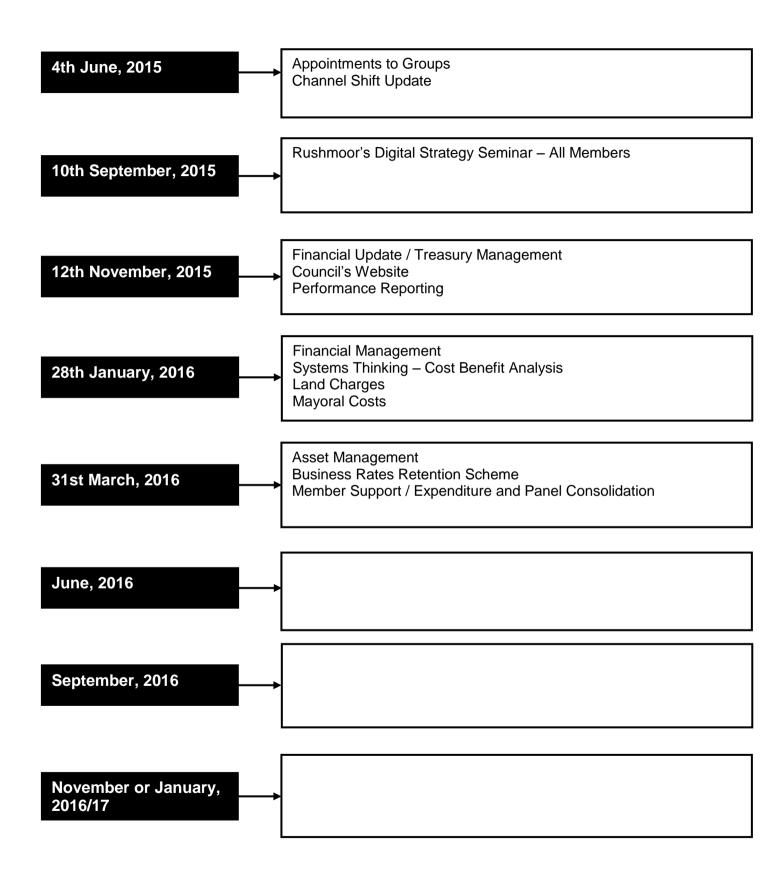
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<b>26</b> , 08.15	Member Support / Expenditure and Panel Consolidation	This item was raised during a workshop held on 20 <sup>th</sup> August, 2015, where the Panel were provided with the budget information for the Corporate Services portfolio.	Panel meeting on 31st March,	Andrew Colver Head of Democratic and Customer Services Tel: (01252) 398820 Email andrew.colver@rushmoor.gov.uk

## **UPDATES FROM TASK AND FINISH AND WORKING GROUPS**

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Annually Page 77	Customer Services Member Review Group (ongoing)	The Chairman (Cr. Jacqui M. Vosper) and Crs. D.M.T. Bell, A. Crawford, D.S. Gladstone, B. Jones, G.B. Lyon and P.F. Rust were appointed to serve on the Customer Services Review Working Group for the 2015/16 Municipal Year. The Group had been set up to consider a broad range of issues relating to customer services. However, the Group was currently focussing on issues such as:  • the Savings and Efficiency/Service Transformation Review;  • project work, such as the Customer First Project; and  • performance monitoring and scrutiny of issues such as the closure of the Aldershot Cash Office and the Local Tax and Benefits Service;	the Customer Services Member Review Group on <b>15th January</b> ,	

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<b>78</b> 5.9.13	Communications Strategy	The Panel reviewed the Council's Communications Strategy (in responding to high profile issues which had appeared on social media and had been reported in the local and national press) at the meeting held on 7th November, 2013.  The Panel agreed that a task and finish group should be set up. The Group would include the Chairman (Cr. Jacqui M. Vosper), A.H. Crawford, Barbara Hurst, B. Jones and G.B. Lyon and would work with Officers in developing the Council's future Communications and Engagement strategy.  The Group would also look at Public Notice Advertising, the merits of the methods currently used and how best to communicate with the public.	work of the task and finish group was presented to the Panel on 13th November, 2014.	Karen Edwards Head of Strategy, Engagement and Organisation Development Tel: (01252) 398800 karen.edward@rushmoor.gov.uk

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