Bolsover District Council

Executive

26th October 2020

Council Targets to Deliver the Ambition 2020-2024 Performance Update – April to June 2020 (Q1 – 2020/21)

Report of the Portfolio Holder - Corporate Governance

This report is public

Purpose of the Report

To report the quarter 1 outturns for the Council Ambition 2020-2024 targets.

1 Report Details

- 1.1 The attached contains the performance outturn as of 30th June 2020 (Information compiled on 6th August 2020).
- 1.2 A summary by Council Ambition aim is provided below:
- 1.3 Our Environment protecting the quality of life for residents and businesses, meeting environmental challenges and enhancing biodiversity
 - > 11 targets in total
 - > 7 targets are on track
 - ➤ 1 target has been achieved:
 - ENV.10 Develop a wild planting policy for parks and public open spaces where appropriate by March 2021 – The Council's Streetscene Policy now includes a statement (4.1.7) setting out the Council's consideration in establishing wild flora and\or diverse vegetative planted areas.
 - > 3 targets have been affected by Covid 19:
 - ENV.06 Increase the number of fixed penalty notices issued for litter and dog fouling offences by 20% per year. - Face to face issuing of fixed penalties was suspended due to COVID-19, and therefore no fixed penalties were issued for these offences in Q1.

- ENV.07 Prepare and adopt a new Empty Property Strategy by January 2021 to support the Council's vision to bring empty properties back into use. This is progressing (see appendix for details), it is just the timescale that has slipped due to Covid 19.
- ENV.08 Bring 5 empty properties back into use per year through assistance and enforcement measures. 1 empty property brought back into use this quarter providing 2 units of affordable accommodation (see appendix for details). Work on site has been affected by Covid 19.

1.4 Our Economy – by driving growth, promoting the District and being business and visitor friendly

- > 10 targets in total
- > 7 targets are on track
- 3 targets have been affected by Covid 19 (the appendix provides details):
 - ECO.01 Deliver a Business Growth Strategy by March 2021 that will support enterprise, innovation, jobs and skills and makes the best use of our assets
 - ECO.03 Working with partners to bring forward employment and development opportunities at Coalite and Clowne Garden Village strategic sites by 2023.
 - ECO.10 Working with partners to grow the visitor economy, the number of tourists and the amount of tourism spending in the District by 2023.

1.5 Our Customers – Providing excellent and accessible services

- ➤ 10 targets in total
- 6 targets are on track
- 4 targets have been affected by Covid19:
 - CUS.03 Ensure that at least 50% of transactions are made through digital channels by Dec 2024 - Baseline not completed due to COVID-19, see appendix for details.
 - CUS.07 Reduce average relet times for standard voids (council properties) to 20 calendar days by March 2021 and maintain thereafter – Quarterly outturn is 55 days The reason for the high figure is the impact that the Covid19 pandemic has had on the department and the halt on all lettings.
 - CUS.09 Increase participation/attendances in leisure, sport, recreation, health, physical and cultural activity by 3,000 per year. - All activities had been suspended since the lockdown due to Coronavirus. The service reopened the Go Active facility on Saturday 25th July 2020 with limited access.

CUS.10 - Deliver a health intervention programme which provides an assigned number of adults per year with a personal exercise plan via the exercise referral scheme - The health referral programme has been suspended due to the lockdown and closure of the leisure facilities because of Coronavirus. It is not anticipated that the programme will resume when the Go Active facility re-opens on 25th July 2020 as the majority of clients will be classed as at risk. This situation is being monitored and the programme will be introduced when advice and guidance allows the service to do so safely.

2 Conclusions and Reasons for Recommendation

- 2.1 Out of the 31 targets, 20 are on track (64%), 10 have been affected by Covid 19 (32%) and 1 (4%) has been achieved.
- 2.2 This is an information report to keep Members informed of progress against the Council Ambition targets noting achievements and any areas of concern.

3 Consultation and Equality Impact

3.1 Not applicable as a report for information.

4 Alternative Options and Reasons for Rejection

4.1 Not applicable to this report as providing an overview of performance against agreed targets.

5 Implications

5.1 Finance and Risk Implications

No finance or risk implications within this performance report.

5.2 Legal Implications including Data Protection

No legal implications within this performance report.

5.3 Human Resources Implications

No human resource implications within this performance report.

6 Recommendations

6.1 That progress and outturns against the Council Ambition 2020-2024 targets be noted.

7 <u>Decision Information</u>

Is the decision a Key Decision?	No
A Key Decision is an executive decision	
which has a significant impact on two or	
more District wards or which results in	
income or expenditure to the Council above	
the following thresholds:	
BDC: Revenue - £75,000 □	
Capital - £150,000 □	
NEDDC: Revenue - £100,000 □	
Capital - £250,000 □	
☑ Please indicate which threshold applies	
Is the decision subject to Call-In?	No
(Only Key Decisions are subject to Call-In)	
Has the relevant Portfolio Holder been	Yes
informed	
District Wards Affected	Not applicable
Links to Council ambition or Policy	Links to all Ambition 2020-
Framework	2024 aims and priorities

8 <u>Document Information</u>

Appendix No	Title	
1.	Council Ambition Performance Update – Q1 April to June 2020	
Background Papers (These are unpublished works which have been relied on to a material extent when preparing the report. They must be listed in the section below. If the report is going to Cabinet (NEDDC) or Executive (BDC) you must provide copies of the background papers) All details on PERFORM system		
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