

TAUNTON DEANE BOROUGH COUNCIL

COUNCIL MEETING 19 JULY 2005

Part 1

To deal with written question to and receive recommendations to the Council.

1. Councillor Williams – Leader of the Executive
Draft Corporate Strategy and Performance Plan 2005-2008

The Council are required to produce an annual Performance Plan, which identifies its priorities for improvement, how weaknesses will be addressed and gives details of its performance indicator results and targets.

Government guidance is that Performance Plans should be the focus of authorities improvement planning by articulating priorities for improving, including how weaknesses would be addressed, opportunities exploited and better outcomes delivered for local people. It should set targets for improved future performance.

By combining the Corporate Strategy and Performance Plan, duplication is reduced and a more comprehensive document produced, which gives a much clearer understanding of the Council. The Plan we considered showed the Council's:

- Overall aim.
- Background to Corporate Themes and four Top Priorities.
- Achievements during the last 12 months.
- Plans for the next three years.
- Improvement priorities and how we are addressing weaknesses.
- Performance summaries and targets for improved future performance.
- Details of performance against statutory and local performance indicators.

The Review Board have also considered the Plan at its meeting on 9 June 2005 and recommended that it be approved.

The Council are RECOMMENDED that the draft Corporate Strategy and Performance Plan 2005-2008 be agreed.

Councillor John Williams