

THE ROYAL BOROUGH OF KENSINGTON AND CHELSEA

FAMILY AND CHILDREN'S SERVICES COMMITTEE – 29 JUNE 2010

REPORT BY THE DIRECTOR OF STRATEGY AND SERVICE IMPROVEMENT

VITAL IMPROVEMENTS – PROGRESS REPORT

Purpose

This paper reports progress on the Council's Vital Improvements Programme.

For discussion

Introduction

1. Cabinet receives three reports each year (in July, November and March) on progress against the Council's suite of Vital Improvements. These reports are also referred to the subsequent meetings of the relevant Scrutiny Committees.
2. This is the last report to Family and Children's Services Scrutiny Committee on progress made by the 2009/10 suite of Vital Improvements initiatives.

Background

3. Ten of the 47 2009/10 Vital Improvement initiatives are directly relevant to the remit of Family and Children's Services Scrutiny Committee. The table at **Appendix A** lists these and provides:
 - A brief description of each initiative
 - Details of Lead Officers and Lead Cabinet Members
 - Desired outcome(s) by the end of the financial year
 - End benefit ratings
 - Traffic light ratings (green/amber/red) to assess the current progress of and future prospects for each initiative (assigned using the criteria at **Appendix B**)
 - A supporting commentary outlining progress and flagging any issues affecting the initiative.
4. Initiatives that cover more than one Scrutiny Committee's remit are referred jointly to the relevant Committee(s). A full list of the 47 2009/10 Vital Improvement initiatives is at **Appendix C**.

Results

5. Summary results for the ten initiatives are shown below. Figures in brackets represent performance reported to the Committee in January 2010. No red traffic lights were assigned during this reporting round.

	Progress	Prospects
Green	10 (8)	8 (7)
Amber	0 (1)	2 (2)
Red	0 (1)	0 (1)
N/A	0 (0)	0 (0)
Total	10	10

Completed and new initiatives

6. Cabinet is currently considering which initiatives should be included in the Vital Improvements suite for 2010/11. The provisional changes to the 2009/10 suite can be found at **Appendix D**. A final list will be agreed by Cabinet in July.

Future reporting

7. The 2009/10 reporting cycle to Cabinet and Scrutiny Committees will be repeated in 2010/11, with the first progress report due in summer 2010.

Conclusion

8. The Scrutiny Committee is invited to consider progress against the Vital Improvements as reported in **Appendix B**.

Mr A J Redpath
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