

## GWYNEDD COUNCIL

<b>MEETING</b>	Council
<b>DATE</b>	9 October 2014
<b>TITLE</b>	Gwynedd Council Performance Report 2013/14
<b>PURPOSE</b>	To approve the document as a balanced, fair and accurate reflection of the Council's performance during 2013/14, and to adopt it.
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<b>CABINET MEMBER</b>	Councillor Dyfed Edwards, Council Leader
<b>RECOMMENDATION</b>	To adopt the report

### **1.0 BACKGROUND**

- 1.1. The Local Government (Wales) Measure places a duty on local authorities to make arrangements to secure continuous improvement and to account for it. We have addressed this by publishing the Council's Strategic Plan for 2013-17. Submitted here is the Council's Performance Report for 2013/14, which reports on the Council's performance against the Strategic Plan during that year.
- 1.2 The process of accountability for performance takes place in two stages:
  - Stage1 - The requirement for authorities to publish their plans for improvement, and to include a set of improvement objectives (our Strategic Plan).
  - Stage 2 - The requirement for authorities to publish an assessment of performance relating to their plans and improvement objectives (Gwynedd Council Performance Report 2013/14).
- 1.3 Authorities are required to publish an assessment of their performance during a financial year by 31 October of the following year.
- 1.4 In accordance with the requirements, the Council needs to ensure that the content of the report provides a balanced, fair and accurate reflection of the Council's performance.

## **2.0 THE CONTENT**

- 2.1 The report provides details on Council performance against that which it intended to achieve for the year, namely the improvement objectives. It also includes details regarding the way in which the Council measured its progress against what it said it was going to do, namely the performance measures. The report encompasses 2013/14 performance.
- 2.2 The report demonstrates in each field:
- Our vision
  - Our priorities and results: What was accomplished, who has benefited and what requires further attention.
- 2.3 The report also includes details of progress against the Councils key performance measures and the National Strategic Indicators (NSIs).
- 2.5 The report was considered by the Scrutiny Forum at its meeting on 27 June 2014, and by the Cabinet at its meeting on 16 September 2014. The report presented also incorporates the changes that were agreed to be accomplished following those meetings.

## **3. RECOMMENDATION**

- 3.1 The Council is asked to approve the report as a balanced, fair and accurate reflection of the Council's performance during 2013/14, and to adopt it.