

Second Quarter Performance Report - 2012/13

Purpose of report

For review.

Summary

The attached performance report reviews the LGA's progress in delivering the priorities in the 2012-13 business plan for the first six months of the financial year. It covers:

1. Delivery of the LGA's programmes;
2. Financial performance;
3. Corporate health; and
4. Strategic risk management.

This includes those elements of the business plan that relate to the LGA's improvement work, as steered and overseen by the Improvement and Innovation Board.

Resources for the LGA's improvement work continue to be held by the IDeA Company, although the operations of the LGA and its associated companies are now fully integrated under one management structure. Full management accounts for the IDeA Company will therefore be presented to the next meeting of the IDeA Company Board later this month. An update on financial performance in respect of the LGA's improvement programmes is also included in this report.

Recommendation

The Improvement and Innovation Board is asked to review the second quarter's performance report to the end of September 2012.

Action

To inform management action and focus in ensuring the business plan is delivered.

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Introduction

1. The attached performance report for the first six months, covers the whole of the LGA's operations including delivery of its improvement programmes.
2. An overview of the LGA's performance is provided at the front of the performance report along with detailed information in the appendices covering:
 - 2.1 Delivery of the LGA's programmes;
 - 2.2 Financial performance;
 - 2.3 Corporate health; and
 - 2.4 Strategic risk management.
3. More specific commentary on the delivery of the LGA's improvement programmes, as set out in **Appendix A** of the performance report, is provided below, along with information on the financial performance on these programmes to date. The management accounts for the IDeA Company will be presented to the next meeting of the Company Board later this month.

Delivery of the LGA's improvement work

4. **Appendix A** of the performance report shows for the ten workstreams in the Efficiency and Productivity and Sector-led improvement programmes that are overseen by the Improvement Board, nine are reported to be on track with one workstream, delivering peer challenges, being reported "amber" - at risk of not being achieved. The commentary provided in the table explains that 40 peer challenges had been delivered to the end of September, with a further 79 booked or in firm discussion with authorities so we are still hopeful of meeting the overall target of 100. However, if there are cancellations or postponements then the 100 figure might just be missed.

Financial performance

5. The table below supplements the management accounts in the performance report in that it provides more detailed financial information in relation to the ten workstreams overseen by the Improvement and Innovation Board:

Workstream	Budget	Actual 24/10/12	Comments
Efficiency and Productivity			
Productivity programmes	565	265	Budget on track to be fully spent. Additional budget of £100k has been agreed at the mid-year review: £70k for a new fighting fraud programme; and £30k for a waste innovation programme.
Capital and assets programme	200	96	Budget on track to be fully spent.
Waste	75	18	Budget on track to be fully spent.
LG Inform/LGA research	450	111	An overspend of £30k is projected due to some overspend on LG Inform – this has been taken into account in the mid-year review.
Total	1,290	490	
Sector-led improvement			
Peer challenge	350	107	An overspend of £100k is projected and has been agreed at the mid-year review as the original budget was a provisional allocation based on 50 peer challenges. In the event, the original target of 100 peer challenges is likely to be delivered.
Support for councils	635	508	Includes £190k for the Centre for Public Scrutiny. Budget on track to be fully spent
Leadership programmes	595 (219 income)	203 (161 income)	Income and expenditure on track.
Leeds Castle	95	1	Expenditure committed in line with budget. Budget expected to be fully spent at year-end.
Be a Cllr programme	110	42	Budget on track to be fully spent.
NGDP	450	287	Budget on track to be fully spent.
Total	2,235	1,148	

6. The table shows that spend is broadly on track in all areas, with the exception of peer reviews, for which only a provisional budget was allocated at the start of the year, with a view to this being adjusted in the light of the actual take-up of peer reviews; and also LG Inform, where an overspend of £30k is projected. Both of these budget projections have been taken into account in the mid-year budget review.

Recommendation

7. Members are asked to note the six month performance report for the LGA, and in particular delivery of the programmes overseen by the Improvement and Innovation Board.