15 November 2017		ITEM: 5
General Services Committee		
Chief Executive Performance Appraisal		
Wards and communities affected:	Key Decision:	
All	No	
Report of: Jackie Hinchliffe, Director of HR, OD and Transformation		
Accountable Assistant Director: N/A		
Accountable Director: Jackie Hinchliffe, Director of HR, OD & Transformation		
This report is: Public		

## **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Under Thurrock Council's constitution (Chapter 5, Part 5) the General Services Committee is responsible for the performance appraisal of the Chief Executive in line with the performance appraisal procedure.

## 1. RECOMMENDATIONS:

1.1 Members are asked to note the Mid-Year appraisal review of the Chief Executive.

## 2. INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND:

- 2.1 This report is being presented to General Services Committee to consider and agree the mid-year appraisal of the Chief Executive.
- 2.2 The 2017/18 objectives for the Chief Executive were agreed by General Services Committee on 3 May 2017. The objectives cover:
  - Financial Management and self-sustainability
  - Working with Members of all parties
  - Working with partners and stakeholders to maximise the outcomes for the borough
  - Effectively leading the organisation and managing the senior team
  - o Driving the council's Placemaking agenda

#### 3. CURRENT POSITION

- 3.1 The Chief Executive has completed the appraisal document (Appendix 1) setting out:
  - Assessed performance over the past six month
  - Additional comments

Strong performance is demonstrated across all objectives: the Leadership Team is in place with a focus on the delivery of the council's priorities; the staff survey indicates increasing engagement from the workforce and improvement across all areas; setting a balanced budget has been a key activity with a commitment to transformation, driving the commercial agenda and the council spending review framework and effectively using investment to drive forward the potential for financial self-sustainability; developing relationships internally and externally is enhancing the reputation of the borough and supporting the placemaking ambitions.

Essentially there is good progress across the full range of the Council's ambitions; there are still improvements and outcomes to be delivered and the Chief Executive recognises the need to continue to drive consistency and performance over the next six months.

# 4. CONSULTATION (including Overview and Scrutiny, if applicable)

4.1 In accordance with the Performance Appraisal Procedure, consultation with representatives from Leadership Group and external stakeholders will be conducted as part of the end of year appraisal.

# 5. IMPACT ON CORPORATE POLICIES, PRIORITIES, PERFORMANCE AND COMMUNITY IMPACT

5.1 The objectives and performance of the Chief Executive impacts on the whole organisation and the borough.

### 6. IMPLICATIONS

#### 6.1 Financial

There are no direct financial implications arising from this report.

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## 6.2 Legal

There are no direct legal implications arising from this report.

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## 6.3 **Diversity and Equality**

There are no direct Diversity and Equality issues arising from this report.

Implications verified by: Natalie Warren

6.4 Other implications (where significant) – i.e. Section 17, Risk Assessment, Health Impact Assessment, Sustainability, IT, Environmental

None

# 7. CONCLUSION

7.1 The performance management of the Chief Executive is a formal function of General Services Committee.

## **BACKGROUND PAPERS USED IN PREPARING THIS REPORT:**

• Chief Executive – Performance Appraisal Procedure

## **APPENDICES TO THIS REPORT:**

• Appendix 1 – Mid Year Performance Appraisal of the Chief Executive

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