

Report to	<b>Policy &amp; Resources Committee</b>
Date	<b>22 November 2018</b>
By	<b>Performance and Projects Manager</b>
Title of Report (Decision)	<b>Quarter 2 Performance Report 2018-19</b>

**Recommendation: The Committee is recommended to:**

- 1) Receive the Quarter 2 performance report**
- 2) Consider if it wishes to make any recommendations to Officers arising from the report**

**1. Introduction**

- 1.1 The SDNPA as a publicly accountable body, is responsible for monitoring its performance. The Policy and Resources Committee has terms of reference which include *“To monitor and review the performance, including financial performance, of the Authority in the context of its business delivery, and the management and maintenance of the Authority’s assets in accordance with the Authority’s agreed budget, Corporate Plan and other approved plans, and make recommendations for changes as appropriate”*.
- 1.2 The purpose of this report is to update the Committee on performance against the Corporate Plan for 2018-19 during Quarter 2 of 2018 -19.

**2. Performance Reporting**

- 2.1 An overview of performance for each of the 4 objectives in the Corporate Plan is at **Appendix I**. Members will note that a new format has been used. An overall RAG status has been used for overall performance against the priorities set out in the corporate plan for 2018-19. Notable successes and areas requiring further work are listed for each. There is also a requirement which will be developed further around the likely risks for each area of work.
- 2.2 Given that there is now a separate quarterly report on projects, in future, this report will focus on the delivery of key priorities and core work. This has been reflected in the table at **Appendix I**. Members will also note that for a number of areas of work it is considered most appropriate to report at year end, as quarterly updating is not meaningful.
- 2.3 Most delivery against corporate plan priorities, projects and core work is on track. There is one exception for key priorities which is; to agree an integrated work programme for ecosystem services, natural capital and green infrastructure delivery. There is a separate report on the agenda for this Committee Meeting on progress with the Green Infrastructure Framework.
- 2.4 There are three exceptions for priority projects; the first is, develop Centurion Way from West Dean to the South Downs Way as a 'shovel ready' project. This is a large and complex piece of work aimed at preparing for a much larger project to implement a major new leisure route. There have been delays due to the complexity of landownership and the

negotiations required to gain agreement for the route. It is anticipated that the planning application will be submitted during November.

- 2.5 The second exception is the implementation of the Lewes North Street Quarter Community Heritage project. This project relates to a Section 106 agreement, which was agreed when approval was given for the development. The project can only start once development on the site has commenced.
- 2.6 The third exception is the Heathlands Reunited Project. That is subject to a separate update and evaluation report on this agenda. It is also reported in the Quarter 2 project report. In future reporting on this project will be via the quarterly project report.

Implication	Yes*/No
Will further decisions be required by another committee/full authority?	No
Does the proposal raise any Resource implications?	No
How does the proposal represent Value for Money?	Implications of this report in itself do not raise an issue of value for money. However the projects that the organisation has funded are assessed for value for money when they are approved. Where appropriate, this is part of the project approval reports received by the Policy Resources Committee. Projects are evaluated individually for value for money when they finish, they are reported regularly to this Committee.
Are there any Social Value implications arising from the proposal?	No
Have you taken regard of the South Downs National Park Authority's equality duty as contained within the Equality Act 2010?	No implications arising by reason of this report.
Are there any Human Rights implications arising from the proposal?	No
Are there any Crime & Disorder implications arising from the proposal?	None
Are there any Health & Safety implications arising from the proposal?	None
Are there any Data Protection implications?	Data protection requirements are incorporated into the design of projects as they are being developed.
Are there any Sustainability implications based on the 5 principles set out in the SDNPA Sustainability Strategy	No – not directly from the reporting of performance. Separate pieces of work are assessed as appropriate.

### 3. Risks Associated with the Proposed Decision

Risk	Likelihood	Impact	Mitigation
Unforeseen changes to the level of funding provided by relevant Government departments for future years	Likely	Minor	A robust monitoring and project approval system and regular reporting to relevant Committees on projects and the budget available along with a corporate plan which sets clear priorities to support delivery of Partnership Management Plan outcomes.

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Appendices I. Appendix I – Performance against Corporate Plan (Stand Alone)  
SDNPA Consultees Chief Executive; Director of Countryside Policy and Management;  
Director of Planning; Chief Finance Officer; Monitoring Officer; Legal  
Services, Business Service Manager; Countryside and Policy Managers  
External Consultees None  
Background Documents [Year end performance report 2017-2018](#)

