

To: Planning and Climate Change Policy Board

On: 23 August 2022

Report by: Chief Executive

Heading: Renfrewshire Planning Performance Framework 2021 / 2022

1. Summary

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to present the eleventh Renfrewshire Planning Performance Framework that is to be submitted to the Scottish Government following this Board. The planning performance framework covering the period 1 April 2021 to 31 March 2022 is available to view on the Council's website – [Planning Performance Framework](#).
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2. Recommendations

- 2.1 It is recommended that the Board:
- (i) Notes the Renfrewshire Planning Performance Framework 2021 / 2022.
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3. Background

- 3.1 A system of performance management has now been long established between local authorities and the Scottish Government, whereby every planning authority is asked to produce an annual planning performance framework.
- 3.2 The planning performance framework is not a policy document. It provides planning authorities an opportunity to demonstrate continuous improvement, changes implemented, achievements and lessons learnt over the year along with anticipated service improvements for the coming year.

3.3 The framework was developed by the Heads of Planning Scotland to capture and highlight a balanced measurement of planning performance, showing commitment to the following areas:

- Speed of decision making;
- Qualitative story of this year's planning performance;
- Delivery of good quality development and design;
- Communication, consultation and engagement with our communities and stakeholders;
- The added value that planning makes in decision making;
- How policies and guidance have shaped developments;
- Project management.

4. **Renfrewshire Planning Performance Framework 2021 – 2022**

4.1 This is the 11th year of reporting planning performance. Part 1, 2 and Part 3 of the planning performance framework demonstrates how Planning has taken into account the planning performance feedback from the Scottish Government in 2021, providing case studies and examples of strategies and projects where Planning has led or been a partner in as well as considering the ongoing journey of changes and adaptations made to planning processes and procedures over the year.

4.2 Renfrewshire Planning Performance Framework also includes statistical indicators at Part 4, 5, 6, and Part 7. These parts of the planning performance framework indicate that Renfrewshire Council continues to perform well in terms of the Scottish average.

4.3 The planning performance framework demonstrates that Renfrewshire Council is committed to continuous improvement in the service it provides in its role as a local planning authority.

Implications of the Report

1. **Financial** – The extent and details of the additional duties is still to be confirmed.
2. **HR & Organisational Development** – None.
3. **Community/Council Planning** – None.
4. **Legal** – None.
5. **Property/Assets** – None.
6. **Information Technology** – None.

7. **Equality & Human Rights -**

(a) The Recommendations contained within this report have been assessed in relation to their impact on equalities and human rights. No negative impacts on equality groups or potential for infringement of individuals' human rights have been identified arising from the recommendations contained in the report. If required following implementation, the actual impact of the recommendations and the mitigating actions will be reviewed and monitored, and the results of the assessment will be published on the Council's website.

8. **Health & Safety** – None.

9. **Procurement** – None.

10. **Risk** – None.

11. **Privacy Impact** – None.

12. **COSLA Policy Position** - None.

13. **Climate Risk** – Planning policy and guidance supports the re-use of vacant and derelict land for a range of uses including those which can help address the climate crisis by managing flood risk and providing biodiversity enhancements.

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