

<b>Programme for Government Consultation</b>	<b>15<sup>th</sup> November 2016</b>
<b>Corporate Policy and Resources Committee</b> For information	

<b>Linkage to Council Strategy (2015-19)</b>	
<b>Strategic Theme</b>	Leader and Champion
<b>Outcome</b>	Provide civic leadership
<b>Lead Officer</b>	Director of Performance
<b>Cost: (If applicable)</b>	N/A

## 1.0 Background

1.1 The Programme for Government consultation was launched in late October.

## 1.2 Overview of the Programme for Government Consultation

The NI Executive's overview states that "The Programme for Government (PfG) contains 14 strategic outcomes which, taken together, set a clear direction of travel and enable continuous improvement on the essential components of societal wellbeing. They touch on every aspect of government, including the attainment of good health and education, economic success and confident and peaceful communities. In addition to merely fulfilling our statutory obligations, we will in future be able to target those things that make real improvements to the quality of life for the citizen.

The outcomes are supported by 48 indicators which will allow us to assess if we are turning the curve in the right direction. These will show how the Executive is performing in relation to the outcomes and will provide a basis to monitor progress and take corrective action.

The draft Programme for Government reflects the messages that emerged from the extensive stakeholder engagement and consultation process which also showed that there is strong support for the approach adopted.

In due course, the Programme for Government will provide the strategic context for other key Executive strategy documents, including the Investment Strategy, the Economic Strategy and a Social Strategy. The Programme will also inform the development of the Executive's budget over the course of this

mandate and provide a mechanism for ensuring our limited funds are best directed to where they can contribute most.”

### **1.3 Information session**

1.4 The Programme for Government team has offered to deliver information sessions on request to groups of key stakeholders during this consultation period

1.5 The PfG team will deliver an information session to Elected Members on Monday 12 December 2016 at 7pm, Civic Headquarters. This will give Members the opportunity to receive more detail on the consultation.

### **1.6 Response**

1.7 The consultation document and related papers are available to view on the NI Executive Website at: <http://tinyurl.com/pfgni>. If Members require a hard copy of any of the documents please contact Democratic Services. Members may forward comments to the Director of Performance up to Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> December so that a draft response can be prepared for Council’s meeting on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> December.

1.8 The consultation period closes at 5.00pm on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> December.