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SUBJECT:	CLEANSING THE ENVIRONMENT BEST VALUE REVIEW. PROGRESS ON DELIVERING THE ACTION PLAN	REF: JRH/SAC
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1.0 Recommendations

1.1 Members are recommended to note the progress being made on the Cleansing the Environment Action Plan.

2.0 Purpose of Report

2.1 To advise Members of the progress being made on the Action Plan arising out of the Best Value Review on Cleansing the Environment.

3.0 Detail

3.1 This Best Value Review was completed in Autumn 2001 and inspected in October 2001. The Action Plan contains over 70 actions.

3.2 A summary of the progress made in the last year is attached at Annexé A. Nine actions have been completed, 25 are in progress and 13 have been rescheduled of the 25 in progress nine are ongoing actions.

4.0 Financial Implications

4.1 None.

5.0 Corporate Implications

- 5.1 During the period there have been two key staff absences due to extended sickness and a vacant post and equating to well over the absence of a person for a year. However it is anticipated staffing should be at full complement in the New Year, including the appointment of the temporary member of staff, in August, as included in the Action Plan. This staffing situation gives more confidence in delivering the plan to timetable.

6.0 Community Implications

- 6.1 The Action Plan was devised to continually improve the Refuse, Cleansing and Recycling Services to the community.

7.0 Conclusions

- 7.1 Reasonable progress has been made in delivering the Action Plan arising out of the Cleansing of the Environment Best Value Review although absences in key posts have meant the rescheduling of the Plan. A full and enlarged staff structure should enable the remainder of the Plan to be delivered to programme.