

BEST VALUE SERVICE REVIEWS

1. SUMMARY

The Strategic Management Team has noted the extract of the minute of the Audit Committee of 05 March in relation to service reviews. The specific point raised on the level of scrutiny of service reviews is being addressed through the measures already being put into place as part of the Transformation Programme management arrangements.

2. RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Executive considers the Audit Committee decision and notes the view of the SMT.

3. DETAIL

The SMT has noted the points raised by the Audit Committee and, in line with these points and the Transformation Programme management arrangements, the following scrutiny mechanism is in place:

- Project management arrangements are in place for each service review
- These will be scrutinised by the Transformation Board and reported to SMOG
- Any political implications will be reported to the Executive
- Seminars for all Councillors will be organised at appropriate times throughout the year to discuss any key developments
- The seminars will take place well in advance of any decision making to be put before the Council

This process will feed into the annual budget planning process and will ensure that Elected Members are equipped with the right level of information in a timely manner to inform the decision making process.

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