



**LATE REPORTS, URGENT BUSINESS and SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**

Council

Wednesday, 4 March 2009

The following report was received too late to be included on the main agenda for this meeting. It is now enclosed, as follows:

| Agenda Item Number | Page  | Title   | Reason for Late Report  | Officer Responsible For Late Report |
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| 10                 | 1 - 2 | 2009/10 BUDGET AND POLICY FRAMEWORK - GENERAL FUND REVENUE BUDGET AND CAPITAL PROGRAMME | Recommendations of the Budget & Performance Panel which met on 24 <sup>th</sup> February after the publication of the agenda. | Head of Democratic Services         |



**COUNCIL****2009/10 Budget and Policy Framework - General Fund  
Revenue Budget and Capital Programme****4<sup>th</sup> March 2009****Supplementary Report of the Head of Democratic Services****PURPOSE OF REPORT**

To advise Council of the views of the Budget & Performance Panel on the Cabinet's recommendations to Council.

This report is public

**RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE BUDGET & PERFORMANCE PANEL**

**That, in consideration of the Panel's recommendation at its meeting on the 27<sup>th</sup> January 2009 that the budget process fully recognises the need to protect the vulnerable and disadvantaged and those groups most likely to suffer from the credit crunch and recession, the proposed cut of £20,000 to the funding of the two Citizens Advice Bureaux be withdrawn.**

**1.0 Report**

1.1 At its meeting on the 24<sup>th</sup> February 2009, the Budget and Performance Panel considered Cabinet's recommendations to Council on the Budget. The Panel considered Cabinet Minute 151(1) 2008/09 "That Cabinet recommends that support for the management of the two Citizens Advice Bureaux be reduced by £20,000 for 2009/10 onwards in total (£10,000 reduction for each Citizens Advice Bureau)".

1.2 The Panel resolved:

"That, in consideration of the Panel's recommendation at its meeting on the 27<sup>th</sup> January 2009 that the budget process fully recognises the need to protect the vulnerable and disadvantaged and those groups most likely to suffer from the credit crunch and recession, the Panel recommend to Council that the proposed cut of £20,000 to the funding of the two Citizens Advice Bureaux be withdrawn."

**SECTION 151 OFFICER'S COMMENTS**

Should Council choose not to take forward any such savings proposals, clearly these will need to be offset by more savings in other areas, in order to keep the budget in balance.

**MONITORING OFFICER'S COMMENTS**

The Monitoring Officer has been consulted and has no further comments.

**BACKGROUND PAPERS**

None

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