

RESOURCE PLANNING WORKING GROUP

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 12 DECEMBER 2007

Present: Councillors A Holliday (Deputy Leader in the Chair); J W Bowman; P C Connolly; A Norwood; P Watson

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors E Woodburn and J G Sunderland

Officers: L Murphy, Chief Executive; G Ayling, Interim Head of Finance and Business Development; P Robson, Interim Deputy S 151 Officer: H Mitchell, Head of Policy and Performance, T Chilcott, Corporate Director Quality of Life, J Salt, Head of Customer Service, D James, Member Services Officer

RP 36 Budget Strategy – Update and Presentation

Consideration as given to the 2008/09 Revenue Budget – Budget Strategy prior to further consideration by the Executive and subsequent formal approval by Council on the 26 February 2008.

During consideration of this item it was noted that savings targets detailed in the report were savings on efficiencies and would not result in a reduction of services.

Members then received a presentation on the budget setting process which had been followed and was being followed, which was then open to a question and answer session from Members.

During consideration of this item it was stressed that the call on Council Reserves should be monitored regularly by the Executive and preferably by both the Executive and Overview and Scrutiny Committee. It was noted that this function was within the terms of the Audit Committee.

RESOLVED – That a) the presentation be received and noted; and

b) the strategy be noted and submitted to the Executive and Council as part of the Councils Budget Report.

The meeting closed at 11.20 am

Chairman

