

**Searching for Best Value Officer/Member Group
24 April 2009 - 2:00pm Nicholson Room**

**Attendance: Councillors R Pitt, G Sunderland and E Woodburn.
J Crellin, R Quayle, T Capper, T Magean.**

- 1 Web Site Action

Noted that work on web site now progressing and appointment of Web manager in hand J Salt/R Quayle

- 2 Recharges

Noted that full report on allocation of recharges to come to future meeting. Allocation of charges for corporate & democratic core (e.g Audit) to be re-examined to enable costs across different LA's to be compared. J Crellin/R Quayle

- 3 Shared Services

Draft Strategy agreed subject to inclusion of reference to potential for sharing with private and voluntary sectors as well as other LA's. K Parker

- 4 Self Assessment Form/Methodology

Agreed Toni Magean to trial run assessment form using Allotments & Tree Management as trial services T Magean

- 5 Communications

Discussion on how to get message out to members and employees on need to review services fundamentally while minimising impact on employees.

Draft message discussed. This to be fine-tuned and sent out to all employees before Annual Meeting if possible. I Curwen/T Capper

- 6 Formalisation of Group

Group to be formally constituted on basis of 2:1:1 at Annual Meeting. T Capper