

## **Overview and Scrutiny 1**

### **General Fund Revenue Budget 2010-13**

#### **1 Purpose**

- 1.1 At its meeting on 6 January 2010 the Overview and Scrutiny 3 Task and Finish Reporting and Monitoring were due to review the 2010 to 2013 budget proposals with a view to recommending that Overview and Scrutiny Committee 1 consider some specific items and make recommendations to Cabinet on these if there are any points the Committee wishes to raise.
- 1.2 Unfortunately that meeting was cancelled due to the weather. Instead a selection of options relating to areas under the remit of Overview and Scrutiny 1 that may be of interest for review are attached at Annex 1 for consideration. The remaining proposals that fall under the remit of Overview and Scrutiny 1 are attached at Annex 2 for information.

#### **2 Issues and Choices**

- 2.1 Following the positive feedback on last years new way of reviewing the budget proposals at Overview and Scrutiny a similar approach is being taken this year.
- 2.2 Service Managers responsible for the areas referred to the Overview and Scrutiny Committee have been invited to the Overview and Scrutiny meeting so that they can provide any relevant information the Committee members may require.
- 2.3 The Committee are invited to consider the proposals referred to them and to make constructive recommendations to Cabinet, should they wish to do so. These recommendations will be considered by Cabinet in February 2010 and will form part of an annex of the final Budget report presenting the recommendations of all three Overview and Scrutiny Committees, which will be considered by Cabinet and Council also in February 2010.

#### **3 Background Papers**

- 3.1 Cabinet 16 December 2009 – Council Wide Budget 2010-13.

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