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REPORT TO:	FINANCE AND MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE	AGENDA ITEM: <b>5</b>
DATE OF MEETING:	23 MARCH 2006	CATEGORY: DELEGATED
REPORT FROM:	CHAIR OF THE FINANCE AND MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE	OPEN
MEMBERS' CONTACT POINT:	CLLR JOHN WILKINS	DOC:
SUBJECT:	STRATEGIC PLANNING REVIEW	REF:
WARD(S) AFFECTED:	ALL	TERMS OF REFERENCE: ALL

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## **1.0 Recommendations**

1.1 The Committee is recommended to:

- Agree the comments made in Annexe A (of this report) as the basis of this Committee response to the recommendations made in the Corporate Scrutiny Committee's Strategic Planning Review.

## **2.0 Purpose of Report**

2.1 To finalise a response to recommendations made by the Corporate Scrutiny Committee in its review of Strategic Planning.

## **3.0 Detail**

### **Introduction**

3.1 As Members will be aware, the Corporate Scrutiny Committee has undertaken a review of the Council's approach to Strategic Planning.

3.2 This area of work falls within the terms of reference of the Finance and Management Committee.

3.3 On 24 November 2005, this Committee deferred the report for consideration at the Special Meeting of Council on 15 December 2005 (Minute No FM/78).

3.4 Council resolved that:

'the presentation from the Corporate Scrutiny Committee be received and that the Strategic Planning Review be noted' (Minute No. CL/111).

3.5 In accordance with the Council's Constitution, the Committee is required to formally respond to the review and its recommendations.

### **Draft Response**

3.6 A suggested response to the Review recommendations is set out at Annexe A.

3.7 Members will note that two additional comments are proposed relating to consultation on the terms of reference for scrutiny reviews and scrutiny work programme.

3.8 A copy of the Review report is attached for information at Annexe B.

### **4.0 Financial Implications**

4.1 None arising directly from this report.

### **5.0 Background Papers**

Minute Nos FM/78 (November 2005) and CL/118 (December 2005);

Corporate Scrutiny Committee Strategic Planning Review (November 2005)