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**Report of the Head of Scrutiny and Member Development**

**Scrutiny Board (Central & Corporate Functions)**

**Date: 6<sup>th</sup> December 2010**

**Subject: Scrutiny of the Budget and Performance Reports.**

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**Electoral Wards Affected:**

**Specific Implications For:**

Equality and Diversity ☐

Community Cohesion ☐

Narrowing the Gap ☐

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**1.0 INTRODUCTION**

- 1.1 Attached as Appendix 1 is a report on the Government's Spending Review 2010. The purpose of the report is to provide information about the Government's announcement on 20<sup>th</sup> October 2010 of the results of its Spending Review.
- 1.2 Attached as Appendix 2 is the Financial Health Monitoring 2010/11 – Half year Report. The purpose of this report is to inform members of the financial health of the authority at the half year stage of the financial year in respect of the revenue budget and the housing revenue account.
- 1.3 Attached as Appendix 3 is the Council Business Plan Performance Report Quarter 2 2010/1. This report presents the performance information summarising progress against the Council Business Plan (CBP) improvement priorities for second quarter of 2010/11.
- 1.5 As in previous meetings, the Chair has indicated that she will take questions on Appendix 1 and 2 first and then Appendix 3.

**2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 2.1 Members are asked to;
- (i) Note the Council's Financial Performance.
  - (ii) Note the Performance Report report and highlight any areas for further scrutiny.

Background Papers None used