



Report of the Head of Scrutiny and Member Development

Scrutiny Board (City Development)

Date: 19th February 2008

Subject: Budgetary Issues and Considerations

Electoral Wards Affected: All

Specific Implications For:

Equality and Diversity

Community Cohesion

Narrowing the Gap

1.0 Report issues

1.1 Attached at Appendix A is the Executive Board report '***Developing the Financial Plan 2008-2013***', which was considered on 19 December 2007: Forming the basis of the initial budget proposals for 2008/09, Appendix 1 sets out the Council's financial position in the current year, the likely impact of the Comprehensive Spending Review 2007, and outlines how these have impacted on developing the methodology for the new Financial Plan.

1.2 When considering the attached report, Executive Board resolved:

'That the allocation of resources to services as outlined in the report be approved as the basis for the new Financial Plan and that the report be approved for consideration by the Overview and Scrutiny Committee.'

1.3 The Director of City Development and a representative from Finance have been invited to attend the meeting to outline the implications of the report in more detail (as it relates to the remit of the Board) and address any specific questions/ issues raised by Members of the Board.

2.0 Recommendation

2.1 The Board is requested to consider the information detailed in Appendix A and, subject to any deliberations at the meeting:

- (i) Determine any areas for further action/ scrutiny;
- (ii) Make any appropriate recommendations.