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

Scrutiny Board (Central & Corporate Functions)

Date: 8<sup>th</sup> September 2009

# Subject: Report of Scrutiny Board Working Group – Cover Pricing

Electoral Wards Affected:	Specific Implications For:
	Equality and Diversity
	Community Cohesion
	Narrowing the Gap

## 1.0 INTRODUCTION

1.1 At its meeting on 9<sup>th</sup> June 2008 Scrutiny Board (Central & Corporate Functions) established a Working Group to look at the issue of cover pricing amongst external firms tendering for work for the Authority. The purpose of this report is to report back to the full Committee the deliberations of the Working Group.

## <u>Membership</u>

- 1.2 The Working Group consisted of Councillors Dobson, Atha, Bale, Selby and Ewans. It met on 8<sup>th</sup> July 2008.
- 1.3 The Working Group was assisted by Wayne Baxter Chief Procurement Officer and Tim Rollett – Senior Audit manager. The conclusions of the Working Group are attached as Appendix 1

## 2.0 **RECOMMENDATIONS**

2.1 Members are asked to agree the attached statement and circulate as appropriate.

### **Background Papers**

None used