

**WRITTEN STATEMENT OF A NON-KEY DECISION  
CABINET**

<b>ITEM:</b>	<b>THREE YEAR PROPOSALS AND THE CORPORATE PLAN 2007/10</b>
Members Present:	Councillors: RJ Phillips (Leader), Mrs LO Barnett, PJ Edwards, Mrs JP French, DW Rule MBE (Deputy Leader), RV Stockton, DB Wilcox, RM Wilson.
Date of Decision:	26th October 2006
Exempt:	No
Confidential	No
Urgent Decision:	No
Purpose:	To seek approval for the draft Corporate Plan 2007-10 to be used as the basis for the initial preparation of directorate and service plans.
<b>Decision:</b>	<p><b>THAT</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>a) the Corporate Plan be approved in draft form;</b></li> <li><b>b) agreement be given in principle to the strategic budget proposals in appendices 2, 3, and 4 of the report, with the Corporate Plan to be amended accordingly;</b></li> <li><b>a) the approved draft forms the basis for the initial preparation of directorate and service plans for 2007-10 and the Annual Operating Plan 2007-08; and</b></li> <li><b>b) approval for the finalised Corporate Plan be sought following agreement of the refreshed Local Area Agreement (LAA).</b></li> </ul>
Reasons for the Decision:	Cabinet has approved the Council's Performance Improvement Cycle, including the production of a Corporate Plan setting out the Council's priorities and how they are to be achieved over the coming three years. The Corporate Plan cannot be finalised until the refreshed Local Area Agreement (LAA) has been negotiated. However, as the Corporate Plan is carried into effect through directorate and service plans, which also look forward three years, and through the Council's Annual Operating Plan, approval of a draft Corporate Plan is needed to provide the basis for the initial preparation of directorate and service plans and the Annual Operating Plan.
Options Considered:	Alternatives are exposed, as an intrinsic part of the corporate planning process, in the determination of the Council's priorities

	and the commitment of resources to achieve them
Declaration of Interest:	None.

<b>COUNCILLOR RJ PHILLIPS:</b> ..... <b>LEADER OF THE COUNCIL</b>	Date: 26th October 2006
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