

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

ITEM:	DATA QUALITY - SIX MONTH PROGRESS REPORT
Members Present:	Councillors: AJM Blackshaw, JP French (Deputy Leader), JG Jarvis, PD Price, DB Wilcox.
Date of Decision:	29 October 2009
Exempt:	No
Confidential	No
Urgency/Special Urgency: (As defined in Constitution)	No
Purpose:	To note progress against the 2009-2010 data quality action plan.
Decision:	THAT: the progress now being made against the data quality action plan be noted.
Reasons for the Decision:	Progress is being made against the backlog of tasks from 2008-2009 action plan and the 2009-2010 tasks are going as planned.
Options Considered:	Cabinet could approve a different data quality action plan to be implemented at a different pace. A more challenging plan and/or a shorter timescale would require additional resources. A lower level of activity would be potentially damaging to the Council's status with its regulators. For these reasons, this option is rejected. The adequacy of existing plan and rate of progress was not challenged by the Audit Commission during the recent Use of Resources assessment and, given the expectation of continuing improvement; it would be unwise to reduce the effort in this area.
Declaration of Interest:	

COUNCILLOR JP FRENCH: Date: 29 October 2009
DEPUTY LEADER OF THE COUNCIL