

### **Proposed Operation of Further Information Report**

On the basis of the Audit Commission's report there would be no referral of applications from an Area Committee to the Strategic Committee (i.e. in the event that Option 2 was adopted).

Similarly if Option 1 was adopted the single committee would be the only mechanism for considering non-delegated applications.

On this basis, and to build in the checks and balances suggested by the Audit Commission the following protocol is proposed:-

**In the circumstances where a committee resolves to determine an application contrary to the officer recommendation a further report will be submitted to the next meeting of that Committee:-**

- a) **Updating Members on any additional information received;**
- b) **Reporting on any discussions that have taken place with the applicants/objectors since the initial meeting; and**
- c) **Setting out the legal, procedure and likely financial implications of proceeding with the initial resolution.**