Housing and Community Select Committee

Update to Executive Scrutiny Committee – 25 October 2011

Update on Progress (including issues/problems/successes)

EIT Review of Community Safety and Security Services

It has been proposed to delete a number of vacant posts in order to achieve some of the savings expected of an EIT review. This would provide £118,000 of the savings target for the review of £153,000.

The posts identified for deletion have a total full year value of £142k. In addition to this, a further saving of £7k from the Emergency Planning budget has been identified from 2012/2013 onwards. The remaining £4k required to reach the 15% target level of £153,000 can be met from supplies and services budgets. The information regarding the remaining £4k will be presented to the Committee on 3 November when it is expected that this review will conclude subject to the final report being agreed and presented to Cabinet.

A tripartite meeting will be held on 19 December to discuss the outcome of the review.

EIT Review of Housing Benefits

This gateway review will present options to the Committee on 3 November.