

# Finance and Best Value Overview and Scrutiny Committee

Date: Wednesday, 26 November 2008

Time: 6.15 pm

**Venue:** Committee Room 1 - Wallasey Town Hall

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## **AGENDA**

#### 1. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST/PARTY WHIP

Members are asked to consider whether they have personal or prejudicial interests in connection with any item(s) on this agenda and, if so, to declare them and state what they are.

Members are reminded that they should also declare, pursuant to paragraph 18 of the Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rules, whether they are subject to a party whip in connection with any item(s) to be considered and, if so, to declare it and state the nature of the whipping arrangement.

### 2. MINUTES (Pages 1 - 12)

To receive the minutes of the meetings held on 22 September and 28 October 2008.

- 3. FINANCIAL MONITORING STATEMENT (Pages 13 16)
- 4. PROJECTED BUDGETS 2009/2011 (Pages 17 24)

#### 5. PROPOSED BUDGET SAVINGS (Pages 25 - 40)

At the meeting of the Cabinet on 6 November 2008 (minute 254 refers) a number of budget savings were proposed and the following resolution was agreed:

"(1) That in the light of the continued urgent need to close Wirral's £21m budget gap and avoid placing an unreasonable burden on Wirral's Council Tax payers, and in the light of the recommendations on Item 4, Progress towards the Transformation of Adult Social Services and Item 8 Procurement Efficiencies, Cabinet recommends the following to Council....."

Cabinet asked that these items be referred to the relevant Overview and Scrutiny Committee for urgent consideration before the meeting of the Council to be held on 15 December 2008. The proposal which falls within the remit of this Overview and Scrutiny Committee is:

- Corporate Procurement Efficiencies £1,500,000
- 6. GENERAL FINANCIAL MATTERS (Pages 41 52)
- 7. CORPORATE RISK AND INSURANCE MANAGEMENT (Pages 53 56)
- 8. CORPORATE PROCUREMENT STRATEGY 2008 2011 (Pages 57 90)
- 9. ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS APPROVED BY THE CHAIR