



# Finance and Best Value Overview and Scrutiny Committee

<b>Date:</b>	<b>Tuesday, 28 October 2008</b>
<b>Time:</b>	<b>4.00 pm</b>
<b>Venue:</b>	<b>Committee Room 1 - Wallasey Town Hall</b>

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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. PROJECTED BUDGET 2009/2011 (Pages 1 - 2)

At the meeting of the Cabinet on 16 October 2008 (minute 217 refers) a number of budget savings were proposed and the following resolution was agreed:

“(1) Cabinet recognises that these are difficult times financially for everyone and that it must do all it can to ensure that Wirral’s Council Tax Payers are not faced with the additional burden of high Council Tax increases. Cabinet understands the need to make urgent savings in order to close Wirral’s budget gap and therefore recommends the following...”

Cabinet asked that these items be referred to the relevant Overview

and Scrutiny Committee for urgent consideration. There are five proposals which fall within the remit of this Overview and Scrutiny Committee. These are:

- Information Technology Services – £100,000
- ITS Hardware Review – £50,000
- Housing and Council Tax Benefit improved use of technology – £600,000
- Review of Cash Handling – £10,000
- Treasury Management – £500,000