

**PERFORMANCE INFORMATION MONITORING**

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**1. Purpose**

- 1.1 To update the Panel on arrangements to receive and to respond to performance information.

**2. Background**

- 2.1 At its meeting on 6 September 2006, the Panel considered a table of work programme topics some of which were clearly about monitoring of performance information. It was suggested that a lead Member for this activity be nominated and Cllr Wilson, having put his name forward, was appointed.
- 2.2 A follow-up action was to set up a meeting with officers from the Performance Team in the Chief Executive's office. Two meetings have subsequently taken place.

**3. Issues**

- 3.1 A number of points have been raised at these meetings:
- (a) Publication of performance information - the Panel is now receiving monthly PI information to an agreed schedule. A protocol is being pursued regarding announcements of performance information before it is published.
  - (b) Inspection reports by external agencies - the Panel would want access to impending inspection reports and a process for collating and disseminating these is being sought.
  - (c) Information not published by the Council but put into Government department returns. This is a category of information not necessarily collected centrally but which can still emerge in national publications.
  - (d) How can the Panel access data that is not part of the regularly collected basket of indicators?
- 3.2 The plan is to maintain regular meetings with the performance team to progress these issues and to feedback queries and comments from the Panel.