

EX.170 n BEST VALUE PERFORMANCE PLAN 2003/2004

The Executive Member – Performance Management submitted a report and draft Best Value Performance Plan 2003/2004 which falls within the Council’s Policy Framework and will require approval by the Council.

The draft Plan set out the Council’s objectives and priorities together with detailed Plans to achieve those objectives in the context of Best Value.

The Minutes of the meeting of the Performance Management Scrutiny Panel held on 3 June 2003 were submitted at the meeting.

Councillor Treadgold, Chair of the Scrutiny Panel, attended the meeting to report on the comments of the Panel.

Several Members suggested editorial amendments and an undertaking that these would be considered prior to the submission of the Plan to the Government.

The Chief Executive and the Leader both referred to significant improvements in service delivery across the Authority.

n RECOMMENDATIONS TO COUNCIL:

1. That the draft Best Value Performance Plan 2003/2004 be approved incorporating the following comments of the Scrutiny Panel:-

(i) Improvements referred to in the Plan should be quantified to demonstrate the scale of improvement being achieved.

(ii) Inclusion of the date by when the Post-Ofsted Action Plan will be submitted to the Department for Education and Skills.

(iii) That the Social Services Department be consulted on whether the results of the recent Fostering and Adoption Report can be included in the Plan; and

(iv) Examples of improvements and good practice in the Townships outside of Bury Town Centre, be incorporated.

2. That Housing Services be asked to consider the Panel’s recommendation that a programme of dropped pavement crossings be implemented on the Council housing estates.

3. That the Chief Executive, in consultation with the Executive Member – Performance Management, be authorised to approve any final amendments prior to publication.

4. That the Executive place on record its appreciation to all Members and Officers for their valuable contributions to recent significant improvements in service performance validated by the content of the Plan.

**EXTRACT OF DECISIONS OF THE EXECUTIVE
MEETING HELD ON 9 JULY 2003
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EX.306 n ADULT AND COMMUNITY LEARNING PLAN

The Executive Member – Lifelong Learning submitted a draft Adult and Community Learning Plan for 2003/2004 which was required to be submitted to the Learning and Skills Council which funds the cost of delivering the Plan.

Consideration of this Plan falls within the Policy Framework of the Authority and requires the approval of a full Council.

n RECOMMENDATION TO THE COUNCIL

That the Adult and Community Learning Plan 2003/2004 be approved as submitted.