OVERVIEW OF EFFICIENCY AND RESOURCES SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

As Members will be aware, the Efficiency and Resources Scrutiny Committee, along with the other four Scrutiny Committees, have undertaken work in relation to the proposals contained within the Medium Term Financial Plan 2012/13 - 2015/16. All of the recommendations from each of the Scrutiny Committees were considered at a special meeting of our Scrutiny Committee which was held on 26^{th} January, 2012 and each of the Chairs presented their views and findings in reaching those recommendations. The recommendations were forwarded, as part of the consultation process, for consideration by Cabinet at its special meeting held on 22^{nd} March, 2012.

At our ordinary meeting held on 16th February, 2012, we discussed our work programme and we agreed to have further discussions about this at an informal meeting. One of the areas which we have agreed to undertake a piece of work into is in relation to asset management and, at our meeting on the 16th February, 2012, we received a presentation from the Estates and Property Manager on all of the assets which are owned and occupied by the Council (excluding the Housing Revenue Account and Highways) We found this presentation extremely useful and we have agreed to establish a task and finish review group to undertake some further work into asset management and the next stage will be to receive information on all the community assets owned by the Council and to invite the Voluntary and Community Sector Manager to one of our meetings.

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