

<b>BUSINESS EFFICIENCY SCRUTINY PANEL</b>	<b>Agenda Item No. 9</b>
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## **Report of the Executive Director – Strategic Resources**

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### **FORWARD PLAN – JANUARY TO APRIL 2009**

#### **1. PURPOSE**

- 1.1 This is a regular report to the Business Efficiency Scrutiny Panel, outlining the content of the Council's Forward Plan.

#### **2. RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 2.1 That the Panel identifies any areas for inclusion within their work programme.

#### **3. BACKGROUND**

- 3.1 The latest version of the Forward Plan is attached at Appendix 1. The Plan contains those key decisions, which the Leader of the Council believes that the Cabinet or individual Cabinet Member(s) will be making over the next four months.
- 3.2 The Panel may wish to include some of the items highlighted on the Plan onto their future work programme or to request additional information from the Executive before a decision is made. Any comments about the format of the Plan would also be welcomed.
- 3.3 In accordance with the Council's Executive procedure rules, the Cabinet or Cabinet Member will not make any key decision until at least five clear days after the receipt of the report relating to that decision. The Group representatives of the Scrutiny Committee are sent a copy of these reports at the same time as the Cabinet Member and any comments can be passed onto the Member before a decision is made.

#### **4. EXPECTED OUTCOMES**

- 4.1 That the Panel notes the latest version of the Forward Plan, agrees any areas for inclusion within the Panel's work programme and submits any observations concerning the Plan to the Executive.

#### **5. BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS**

Used to prepare this report, in accordance with the Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985

None

#### **6. APPENDICES**

Appendix 1 – Forward Plan

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