

# SCRUTINY MANAGEMENT COMMISSION 22 MARCH 2005

Report of the Director of Corporate Services

# Response of the Council Cabinet to the Commission's Revenue Budget Recommendations

#### RECOMMENDATION

To note the response of the Council Cabinet to the Commission's 2005/06 Revenue Budget Recommendations.

#### SUPPORTING INFORMATION

### Background

2.1 At its meeting on 31 January 2005 the Scrutiny Management Commission considered the Council's 2005/06 Draft Revenue Budget. The Scrutiny Management Commission also considered the reports on the draft Revenue Budget 2005/06-2006/07 that had been made to it by the Community Regeneration, Culture and Prosperity, Education, Planning and Environment and Social Care and Health Commissions and made the following recommendation:

That Council Cabinet consider the issues of graffiti and car parking provision when setting the budget and asked that, as a matter of urgency, the Planning and Environment Commission be provided with a report explaining detailing the actions that would be taken to address these issues.

The Planning and Environment Commission recommended that city centre car parking charges be increased to the levels set out in Appendix 10 on page 129 of the draft Revenue Budget with the proviso that the increase in income, over and above that which would have been received had the car parking charges in Appendix 9 on page 128 been imposed, is used to fund improvements in public transport in Derby.

- 2.2 At its meeting on 22 February the Council Cabinet gave the following response to the Commission's recommendation:
  - 1. Public Priority Fund to allocate £30k for graffiti removal over and above existing budget. Specific remit to target non public buildings and to look at working with Community Safety Partnership on preventative measures.
  - 2. A modified proposal is now put forward which increases levels for off-street car parks in line with Appendix 10 on page 129 of the draft Revenue Budget, but retains charges for on-street parking at the Appendix 9, page 128, lower level. Following revised calculations, this is estimated to provide £88k to be invested in public transport initiatives.

#### **IMPLICATIONS**

#### **Financial**

1. The financial implications of the Commissions' recommendations are as detailed in the draft Revenue Budget 2005/06-2007/08 and in the Commissions' reports to the Scrutiny Management Commission on 31 January 2005.

# Legal

2. None arising from this report.

#### **Personnel**

3. None arising from this report.

## **Equalities impact**

4. Adoption of the Commission's recommendations on the 2005/06 Draft Revenue Budget will benefit all Derby people.

### **Corporate Objectives and priorities for change**

5. The Council's Revenue Budget relates to all the Corporate Objectives and Priorities for Change.

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Background papers: None

**List of appendices:** Appendix 1 – Implications