# HOUSING MANAGEMENT BEST VALUE REVIEW

#### 1 SUMMARY

1.1. This report seeks Member agreement to extending the terms of reference of the Housing Best Value Working Group.

#### 2 BACKGROUND

- 2.1. At the Community Services Committee held on 30 January it was agreed to set up a Housing Best Value Working Group in order to formulate a new housing strategy for 2002/03 onwards (Minute 46/01 refers).
- 2.2. Officers are also working on the Best Value Review of Housing Management. It is important to have full Member involvement in the process. As a Working Group has now been set up to consider strategy, it would seem logical to extend the terms of reference to include Housing Management.
- 2.3. Should Members be minded to agree this proposal, the Working Group would be involved in the following process:-
  - Reviewing the current level of service delivery
  - Formulating a view on how the service should perform over the next five years
  - Reviewing how external partners could help the Council achieve its objectives
  - Preparing an action plan for approval by this Committee.

### 3 RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

- 3.1. Minor levels of expenditure will be incurred in respect of payment of Attendance Allowance, which may be met from the existing budget provision.
- 3.2. There will be considerable officer resource involved in carrying out the review.

### 4 RECOMMENDATION

4.1 It is proposed that the Committee **RESOLVES** 

To extend the terms of reference of the Housing Best Value Working Group to include the overseeing of the Housing Management Best Value Review. (CDF&ES)

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## **Background Papers:**

None

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