

# Council

23 February 2009

### **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE - URGENT REFERRALS**

(Report of the Head of Legal, Democratic & Property Services)

# 1. Purpose of Report

To seek approval of a number of urgent referrals from previous meetings of the Executive Committee on 28 January and 18 February that require consideration prior to the agreement of the Council Tax for 2009/10.

#### 2. Recommendations

(28 January 2009)

**ESTIMATED OUTTURN 2008/09** 

#### **RECOMMENDED** that

1) subject to the comments above (below for the purposes of this notice), the Estimated Outturn 2008/09 be recommended for approval; and

#### **RESOLVED** that

- the Overview and Scrutiny Committee be requested to set up a Task and Finish Group to consider the existing Neighbourhood Group process and, specifically, the following points:
  - i) how and whether the Groups work;
- ii) how to achieve the greatest value for money when informing local residents; and
- iii) how to best achieve meaningful public consultation.

(Members reiterated their concern at the further reduction in the contribution from Scottish Widows plc to the Shopmobility service noting, as they did, that the contribution had fallen by over £50,000 over the last two years.

Officers undertook to inform Members following the meeting why there was a small budget provided for water under the general heading of "Parking".) Council 23 February 2009

#### **VIREMENT REQUEST - PLANNING SAVINGS**

#### **RECOMMENDED** that

the budget savings totalling £57,900 be vired for studies required as part of the evidence base for the Local Development Framework and the Redditch Economic Strategy, estimated to cost £55,000.

(The Portfolio Holder stated his wish that the Core strategy Development Plan Document be agreed by the Planning Advisory Panel and be brought to the next meeting of the Council.)

(18 February 2009)

GENERAL FUND REVENUE BUDGETS AND CAPITAL BIDS 2009/10 – 2011/12 (To Follow)

# 3. Author of Report

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# 4. Appendices

None.