

WYRE FOREST DISTRICT COUNCIL

CABINET MEETING
21ST FEBRUARY 2008

**RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE CORPORATE SERVICE &
PERFORMANCE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE**
5TH FEBRUARY 2008

Review of Cabinet's Financial Strategy 2008/2011 and Alternative Budget Proposals

The Committee considered the outcome of the Budget Review Panel's scrutiny of the Cabinet's proposed Financial Strategy 2008/2011 and alternative budget proposals from the Independent Health Concern, Labour and Liberal Groups.

The Panel had undertaken a detailed scrutiny of all of these budget proposals. The purpose of the exercise was not to consider the relative merits of the proposals, but to establish whether they were financially sound. The Committee was satisfied that this was the case.

RECOMMENDED TO THE CABINET TO RECOMMEND TO COUNCIL

Having considered the Cabinet proposals, amendments from the, Independent Health Concern Group, Labour Group and Liberal Group, the Corporate Service and Performance Scrutiny Committee is satisfied that the proposals are all measured, clear, focussed, achievable and based on sound financial and operational practices.

INCOME SERVICE OPTIONS 2008/2009

The Committee considered revised income service options for 2008/2009.

These had been revised to take account of the Cabinet's decision at its meeting on 20th December 2007, to raise the target increase from 3.5% to 4.5%, in line with the November Retail Price Index.

RECOMMENDED TO THE CABINET TO RECOMMEND TO COUNCIL:

Approval be given to the revised income service options for 2008/2009 as set out in the appendices to the briefing paper to the Corporate Service and Performance Scrutiny Committee on 5th February 2008.