

**WYRE FOREST DISTRICT COUNCIL**

**CABINET MEETING**  
**26<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2009**

**Recommendations from the Community Services Scrutiny Committee 4<sup>th</sup> March 2009**

**External Funding Monitoring Policy**

The Committee considered a briefing paper from the Regeneration Officer which outlined the proposed changes to the existing External Funding Strategy.

Members noted that it was proposed that the name of the strategy be altered to the 'External Funding Monitoring Policy' as it would better reflect the purpose of the document.

In addition to this change the following amendments were noted:

- i) The Council no longer subscribed to a grants database as the facility had not been utilised by the voluntary and community sector. In addition there was also a significant cost associated with renewing the software license each year.
- ii) Officers continued to offer informal support to voluntary and community sector groups to assist in applications for funding.
- iii) It was proposed that an event be organised to share best practice in bid writing.

Members noted that the work of the External Funding Review Panel had helped to inform the development of the document.

**Recommended to Cabinet:**

**The External Funding Monitoring Policy be adopted.**