

 <b>Finance &amp; Audit Scrutiny Committee</b> <b>- 12 November 2013</b>		<b>Agenda Item No.</b>  <h1 style="text-align: right;">6</h1>
<b>Title</b>	<b>Comments from the Executive</b>	
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<b>Service Area</b>	Civic & Committee Services	
<b>Wards of the District directly affected</b>	N/A	
<b>Is the report private and confidential and not for publication by virtue of a paragraph of schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972, following the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006</b>	No	
<b>Date and meeting when issue was last considered and relevant minute number</b>	N/A	
<b>Background Papers</b>	Finance & Audit minutes 8/10/2013 & Executive minutes 9/10/2013	

<b>Contrary to the policy framework:</b>	No
<b>Contrary to the budgetary framework:</b>	No
<b>Key Decision?</b>	No
<b>Included within the Forward Plan? (If yes include reference number)</b>	No

<b>Officer/Councillor Approval</b>		
With regard to officer approval all reports <i>must</i> be approved by the report authors relevant director, Finance, Legal Services and the relevant Portfolio Holder(s).		
<b>Officer Approval</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Name</b>
Deputy Chief Executive		Andrew Jones
Chief Executive		
CMT		
Section 151 Officer		Mike Snow
Legal		
Finance		Jenny Clayton
Portfolio Holders		

<b>Consultation Undertaken</b>	
N/A	
<b>Final Decision?</b>	Yes
<b>Suggested next steps (if not final decision please set out below)</b>	

## **1. SUMMARY**

- 1.1 This report summarises the Executive's response to comments given by the Finance & Audit Scrutiny Committee on reports submitted to the Executive on 9 October 2013.

## **2. RECOMMENDATION**

- 2.1 That the responses made by the Executive be noted.

## **3. REASONS FOR THE RECOMMENDATION**

- 3.1 This report is produced to create a dialogue between the Executive and the Finance & Audit Scrutiny Committee, ensuring that the Scrutiny Committee is formally made aware of the Executive's responses.

## **4. ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED**

- 4.1 The Committee receives and notes the minutes of the Executive instead.

## **5. BUDGETARY FRAMEWORK**

- 5.1 There is no impact on the budgetary framework. This is for the Committee's information only.

## **6. POLICY FRAMEWORK**

- 6.1 The work carried out by the Committee helps the Council to improve in line with its priority to manage services openly, efficiently and effectively.

## **7. BACKGROUND**

- 7.1 As part of the scrutiny process, the Committee no longer considers the whole of the Executive agenda.
- 7.2 Councillors are emailed at the time of the publication of the Executive and Scrutiny Committee agendas, asking them to contact Committee Services by 9.00 am on the day of the Scrutiny Committee, to advise which Executive items they wish the Scrutiny Committee to pass comment on and the reasons why.
- 7.3 As a result, at its meeting on 8 October 2013, the Finance & Audit Scrutiny Committee considered the items detailed in appendix 1. The responses which the Executive gave are also shown.

## APPENDIX 1

### Responses from the meeting of the Executive held on 9 October 2013 to the Finance and Audit Scrutiny Committee's comments

<b>Item no</b>	4	<b>Title</b>	Fees & Charges 2014/15	<b>Requested by</b>	Chair
<b>Scrutiny Comment</b>	The Committee supported the recommendations in the report.				
<b>Executive Response</b>	-				
<b>Item no</b>	6	<b>Title</b>	Funding to support Warwick's 1100 <sup>th</sup> Year Celebrations in 2014	<b>Requested by</b>	Chair
<b>Scrutiny Comment</b>	The Committee supported the recommendations in principle, but felt that more details were required against the action plan set out at appendix 1 to the report and therefore recommended to the Executive that a more detailed action plan be drawn up and that contingency plans be made in case the weather turned out to be particularly inclement. The Committee noted changes in the sources of funding detailed in an addendum to the report and emphasised that efforts should be made to ensure that funding was not diverted to other projects but was used precisely what it was intended for.				
<b>Executive Response</b>	The Executive approved the recommendations with the addition of a further point to address the concerns of the Scrutiny Committee.				
<b>Item no</b>	7	<b>Title</b>	Dog Control Orders	<b>Requested by</b>	Chair
<b>Scrutiny Comment</b>	The Committee supported the recommendations in the report, but felt that some care was needed to be taken to ensure that, in considering the recommendations, there was no commitment that would put extra pressure on the Council's overall Budget and Medium Term Financial Strategy.				
<b>Executive Response</b>	-				
<b>Item no</b>	9a	<b>Title</b>	Significant Business Risk Register	<b>Requested by</b>	Chair
<b>Scrutiny Comment</b>	The Committee supported the recommendations in the report.				
<b>Executive Response</b>	-				

The Committee also considered a confidential item, Building Control Shared Service, which is summarised in a separate confidential appendix.