# TAUNTON DEANE BOROUGH COUNCIL

# **COUNCIL MEETING - 18 JULY 2006**

#### Part I

To deal with written questions to and receive recommendations to the Council from the Executive.

### 1. COUNCILLOR WILLIAMS

Performance Monitoring Out turn Report on 2005/08, Corporate Strategy 2005/06, Financial Out turn and 2005/06 Performance Indicators

The Executive have considered a report which gave an update on the Out turn position of the Authority on revenue and capital expenditure for the

General Fund Housing Revenue Account and Trading Services for 2005/06 and progress against the 2005/08 Corporate Strategy and 2005/06 Performance Indicator Targets.

In respect of budget monitoring the General Fund Revenue Out turn shows an underspend of £45,000 when compared with the current budget. It is intended that this underspend will be used towards potential additional concessionary travel costs within 2006/07.

It is therefore RECOMMENDED that the General Fund underspend of £44,764.00 be earmarked for potential additional concessionary travel costs

within 2006/07.

Councillor John Williams

### 2. COUNCILLOR BISHOP

## **Virement Request to Council**

An exempt report on this matter was considered by the Executive. The full report is available with the agenda for the meeting of the Executive held on 3 May 2006. As a result of consideration of the report Council are RECOMMENDED to approve the following virements between budgets:-

(1) The virement of the CCTV budget from Planning Policy and Transportation Portfolio to the Community Development Portfolio:

(2) The virement of the Capital Budget for the proposed purchase of land at Bishops Hull from the Leisure Portfolio to the Economic Development Portfolio and the use of these monies for the purchasing of land at Bishops Hull or for Vision for Taunton capital purposes.

Councillor Cliff Bishop

### 3. COUNCILLOR HALL

# **Corporate Services - Support to Corporate Project Teams**

Council are asked to give approval for a Supplementary Estimate from General Fund Reserves of £56,530.00. This is needed to fund temporary additional staffing resources within the Personnel and Financial Services Units to enable support to corporate projects (ISIS, Stock Transfer, Vision, etc) to continue. It is envisaged that these arrangements will be required for a period of 12 months.

The Council are currently engaged in several key projects such as ISIS, Stock Transfer, The Vision for Taunton and Waste Contract Integration. Up until now professional technical support and advice from services such as Personnel and Finance have been provided within existing staffing resources. However, recently the demand of these projects has increased significantly as major work streams are now coming together within the same timescales. These projects will have an effect particularly on the Personnel and Financial Service Units and it is felt that additional staffing is needed for a period of 12 months to ensure that the corporate projects continue to receive proper support

Council are therefore RECOMMENDED that a Supplementary Estimate from General Fund Reserves of £56,530.00 to fund these posts for a period of 12 months be agreed.

Councillor Terry Hall

### 4. COUNCILLOR MRS LEWIN-HARRIS

### Annual Report 2006/07

The Council are required to produce an Annual Report (or Performance Plan) which articulates its proposals for improvement for the coming year including how weaknesses will be addressed, opportunities exploited and better outcomes delivered. The Council are also required to include Out turn data and targets for BVPIs

progressed against past objectives and statutory statements on workforce matters.

A more accessible Annual Report will be published this year and will link to an appendix of Performance Indicators and the previously published Corporate Strategy 2006/2009.

The Review Board has scrutinised the Annual Report at its meeting on 8 June 2006 and have recommended that it be approved. A copy of the Annual Report has also been sent separately to all Councillors.

Council are RECOMMENDED that the Annual Report be agreed.

Councillor Mrs Joanna Lewin-Harris