

Meeting of the Equality Advisory Group

15 February 2011

Report of the Director of Communities and Neighbourhoods

Council Budget 2011-12 – Equality Impact Assessment and report from meeting on 19 January 2011

Summary

- 1. This report is for information.
- 2. It summarises the discussion that took place at the recent meeting of the Equality Advisory Group (EAG), during which the Group examined growth and savings proposals in the draft council revenue budget for 2011-12.
- 3. The Group is requested to note the report.

Background

4. During the last meeting on 11 November 2010, the Group decided that a special meeting would be convened in January 2011 when detailed information about the budget 2011-12 would be available. This would enable the Group to discuss the impact of proposed council budget savings and growth areas on people with protected characteristics¹ who use council services. The meeting took place on 19 January 2011.

5. The issues raised at the meeting have informed the Equality Impact Assessment (EIA) for the revenue budget 2011-12. The EIA is attached as Appendix 1. It includes the notes from the meeting on 19 January 2010.

¹ "Protected characteristics" are gender, age, disability, race, religion and belief, sexual orientation, gender reassignment, marriage and pregnancy.

6. The EIA findings will be considered by the Executive and full Council before the budget for 2011-12 is finalised.

Recommendations

7. The group is requested to note the report and its appendix

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Appendices

Appendix 1 – Revenue Budget 2011-12 Equality Impact Assessment