

REFERENCE FROM CABINET – 10TH MARCH, 2010

**COMPREHENSIVE AREA ASSESSMENT (CAA) USE OF RESOURCES
IMPROVEMENT PLAN**

Report of the Chief Solicitor

1. Why has this report come to the Committee?

- 1.1 At the request of the Chairman to report, for information, a report considered by Cabinet on 10th March to seek approval for the Council's CAA Use of Resources Improvement Plan, which details the Council's priorities for improvement in the management and use of its resources.
- 1.2 The report also provides helpful background for the Third Quarter Performance Report which will be considered at the April meeting of the Committee.

2. Background and Current Position

- 2.1 The Cabinet, at its meeting held on 10th March, 2010, gave consideration to a report of the Chief Executive. The report sought approval for the Council's CAA Use of Resources Improvement Plan, which details the Council's priorities for improvement in the management and use of its resources. This would support the Council in its ambition of improving its CAA use of resources assessment scores in 2010 towards an ultimate ambition of securing level 4 performance overall.
- 2.2 Copies of the 10th March, 2010 Cabinet agenda were circulated to all Members of the Council.
- 2.3 Recommendations from Cabinet will be reported orally to the meeting.

3. Conclusion

- 3.1 The report is referred to this Committee for information.

4. Recommendation

- 4.1 The Scrutiny Committee is invited to note the attached report of the Chief Executive.

5. Background Papers

5.1 Cabinet Agenda, 10th March, 2010.

5.2 A copy of the Agenda is available for inspection from Chief Solicitor's or can be viewed on-line at:-

<http://www.sunderland.gov.uk/committee/CmisWebPublic/Meeting.aspx?meetingID=1604>

**Contact
Officer:**

Dave Smith
0191 561 1114

dave.smith@sunderland.gov.uk

Bob Rayner
0191 561 1003

bob.rayner@sunderland.gov.uk