MANAGEMENT SCRUTINY COMMITTEE   **18TH MARCH, 2010**

REFERENCE FROM CABINET – 10TH MARCH, 2010

LOCAL AREA AGREEMENT ANNUAL REVIEW PROCESS 2009/2010

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 outlining the outcome of the Local Area Agreement Review 2009/2010 and seeking approval to revised targets for several priority indicators.

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 detailed the outcome of the Local Area Agreement Review 2009/2010 and seeking approval to revised targets for several priority indicators. Revising targets provides the basis on which partners can set stretching but attainable targets that will enable the partnership to maximise the reward grant associated with LAA performance. The amount of reward grant payable is dependent on the proportion of agreed targets that are achieved over the life of the LAA period.

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

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