



SCRUTINY COMMISSION – 31ST OCTOBER 2001

**BEST VALUE REVIEW OF PUBLIC TRANSPORT: OUTCOME OF
CONSULTATION AND DRAFT IMPLEMENTATION PLAN**

**JOINT REPORT OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE AND ACTING DIRECTOR OF
PLANNING AND TRANSPORTATION**

Purpose of Report

1. The purpose of this report is to advise the Commission of the Cabinet's response to the consultation undertaken on the Best Value Review of Public Transport and the draft implementation plan. This matter is also being considered by the Planning and Environment Scrutiny Committee on 29th October, 2001. Their views will be tabled at the meeting.

Background

2. The review of this service has been undertaken in accordance with the government's Best Value guidance and the County Council's own Best Value review process and procedures. Details of the service, current policy and previous decisions are set out in detail in the Panel's final report.
3. The Planning and Environment Scrutiny Committee and the Scrutiny Commission have previously considered the Panel's final report and submitted comments to the Cabinet. The attached report, considered by the Cabinet on 23rd October, 2001 (attached as Appendix 1) sets out the comments submitted, the response thereto and a draft implementation plan.

Decision of the Cabinet

4. The Cabinet agreed the following:
 - (a) That the results of consultation on the Member Review Panel final report, be noted;
 - (b) That the comments of the Scrutiny Commission concerning the Member Review Panel final report, be noted;
 - (c) That approval be given to the suggested responses to the comments set out in Appendix 1 of the report;
 - (d) That approval be given to the recommendations set out in the final report for submission to the relevant Scrutiny Committees for comment; and

- (e) That the draft implementation plan be approved, in principle, for consultation with the Scrutiny Commission, subject to consideration of the resource implications in the 2002/03 budget process.

Recommendation

5. The Commission is asked to note the decisions of the Cabinet on this matter and having regard to the views of the Planning and Environment Scrutiny Committee indicate, whether it wishes to submit any comments to the Cabinet.

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