DECISION LIST

HEALTH AND HOUSING COMMITTEE MEETING – 25 JANUARY 2005

AGENDA ITEM NO.	ITEM	DECISION	REASON	OFFICER
4	Public Health Budget – Prioritisation	RECOMMENDED to the Resources Committee that:: 1 the following savings be confirmed to meet the target saving of £17,000 from the Public Health budget as identified by the Council on 14 December 2004; 2 the fees and charges option be pursued to achieve the best possible return (subject to review by the Environment Committee - minimum target £500); 3 the remaining £16,500 of spending pressures be deducted from the post of administrative support for environmental health officers; 4 if the increase in fees and charges were to exceed its £500 projection then the income be retained to fund this post; 5 any additional savings resulting from the review of Public Health budgets be retained for this	To meet the balance of the target savings set by the Council to enable the budget process to be completed, subject to final review by the Resources Committee.	DB/PO'D

		purpose also; and 6 an assurance be sought that the funding of administrative support would not be lost and would be reinstated as soon as practicable.		
5	Housing Rent Setting and Housing Revenue Account Estimates 2005/06	RECOMMENDED to the Council that: 1 the draft Housing Revenue Account estimates be approved, as presented, reflecting the following ODPM expectations for 2005/06 on the basis that any effect of those decisions will be reflected in the published Budget Book; (a) a weekly dwelling rent increase of 4.03% plus or minus one seventh of the resulting difference from the ODPM formula rent for 2005/06 limited so that no tenant shall have an increase exceeding 3.6% plus £2; (b) Supporting People current weekly charges to tenants be increased from April 2005 in accordance with the contract with the Commissioning Body; and (c) As in (b) above, protection be increased against the 'un-	As part of the process of agreeing the Housing Revenue Account estimates.	MRD

pooled' element of the warden services charge for all those tenants at 31 March 2003 ineligible for grant assistance under 'Supporting People' from April 2005;	
 garage rents and garage rents not be increased from April 2005; and consideration of new charges for common services at flats be deferred. 	