Dear Councillor

EXTRAORDINARY PERFORMANCE SELECT COMMITTEE

An extraordinary meeting of the Performance Select Committee will be held at the Council Offices, London Road, Saffron Walden, on Thursday 21 September 2006 at 7.45 pm or at the conclusion of the question and answer session whichever is the earlier.

Yours faithfully

ALASDAIR BOVAIRD

Chief Executive

Commencing at 7.30 pm, there will be an opportunity of up to 15 minutes for members of the public to ask questions and make statements, subject to having given two working days prior notice.

A G E N D A PART I

- 1 Apologies for absence and declarations of interest.
- 2 Audit Commission Report on the Council's 2005/06 Statement of Accounts (to follow).

Item for decision

This report will be presented by Audit Commission representatives. The Committee will then consider whether it wishes to make recommendations to the Operations Committee on 28th September 2006.

The Audit Commission are still finalising their report on the 2005/06 Statement of Accounts. They are intending to send it out on Friday 15th September. Attached to the agenda is the report received one year ago regarding the 2004/05 accounts, so as to give the Committee a look at the style of these reports and to allow comparison of progress when the report for the 2005/06 year is distributed.

Also attached is the 2005/06 Statement of Accounts as agreed by the Operations Committee on 28th June 2006. These will be amended with any changes proposed by the Auditors and agreed with them, for resubmission to the Operations Committee on 28th September.

3 Audit Commission update on CPA

Item for information.

4 Risk management – update

Item for decision

This report updates Members about the Council's risk management arrangements and work undertaken to improve them since a previous report was submitted to this Committee in March 2006.

5 Covalent Demonstration

Item for information

Demonstration of the Council's performance management software system

- 6 Business for next meeting.
- 7 Any other items that the Chairman considers to be urgent.

Lead Officer: Tracy Turner Committee Officer: Cathy Roberts

To:- Councillors <u>A Dean</u>, M L Foley, A J Ketteridge, V J T Lelliott, T P Knight, M J Savage, E Tealby-Watson and P A Wilcock.

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The agenda is split into 2 parts. Most of the business is dealt within Part 1 which is open to the public. Part II includes items which must be discussed in the absence of

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You are entitled to see any of the background papers that are listed at the end of each report.

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