

4. BACKGROUND/REASON FOR REPORT

4.1 The Council has submitted two previous Asset Management Plans to Government Office North West in 2000 and 2003 both of which received a poor assessment for a number of reasons, most of which have been addressed in the proposed submission.

5. OPTIONS CONSIDERED

- 5.1 i. Model Plan on Beacon Council's Asset Management Plan.
ii. Review Council's previous submission in 2003.

6. COMMENTS OF THE HEAD OF FINANCIAL SERVICES

6.1 No specific comments.

7. COMMENTS OF THE HEAD OF LEGAL AND DEMOCRATIC SERVICES

7.1 This is a comprehensive piece of work, its essential that the Council has an up to date Asset Management Plan linked to its Capital Strategy. This will allow the Council to properly manage its assets / risks.

8. COMMENTS OF THE HEAD OF HUMAN RESOURCES

8.1 No specific comments.

9. CONCLUSION

9.1 The choice of option (ii) was made on the basis that the review of the previous Asset Management Plan would be a more straightforward exercise and would accord with the advice given by the Government Office North West. The adoption of the Asset Management Plan as a policy document will enable corporate decisions to be made which protect and enhance the Council's assets and capital programme and which conform with Government Office requirements on Asset Management.

10. RECOMMENDATION(S)

10.1 The Committee is recommended to approve the submission of the Asset Management Plan in its reviewed format.

11. CONSULTATION CARRIED OUT

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Background Papers	
Document	Place of Inspection
Capital Strategy Plan 2003 Asset Management Plan Use of Resources 2006 Self Assessment Corporate Improvement Plan 2006-2009 S.5 para 9.23 & 24 Legal and Democratic Service Business Plan 2006-2009	