BUDGET SCRUTINY TASK GROUP TERMS OF REFERENCE

CONSTITUTION

7 Members of the Council (4 nominated by the Majority Party and 3 by the Opposition Party) but shall not include a member of the Cabinet.

TERMS OF REFERENCE

- 1. To be a standing Task Group of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee until such a time that the Overview and Scrutiny Committee decides it is no longer necessary.
- 2. To lead Policy and Scrutiny activity, on behalf of the Policy and Scrutiny Committees, relating to matters concerning:
 - Draft Budget assumptions/ options;
 - Draft business plans; and
 - Estimates at the appropriate stages in the business planning cycle.
- 3. To publish a summary of its findings after each round of scrutiny activity.
- 4. To provide a copy of the published summary of findings to the Executive for consideration when drawing up firm Budget proposals for submission to the Council, and to expect a response from the Executive within two months of the publishing date.
- 5. Any other matter which the Overview and Scrutiny Committee has requested that this Task Group investigates.