

21. COMMUNITY BOARD PLANNING STATEMENTS – KEY ISSUES

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The purpose of this report is to place before the Committee key issues identified by Community Boards through their respective planning processes.

The process for the 2003/04 Financial Plan requests that Community Boards prepare planning statements comprising:-

Part A – Key Issues

Part B – Project Substitutions and Proposals

Part A deals with key issues or policy directions which the Community Boards would like the Council to consider. They are brought to this meeting so that they can be considered in conjunction with annual plan monitoring reports for 2001/02. This enables matters arising from the monitoring review and key issues to be fed into planning for next year's Annual Plan.

This is the second year that this process has been in place. By way of refinement to last year's statements, key issues have been aligned to the Council's Strategic Objectives.

Items relevant to this Committee are detailed on the schedules which have been separately circulated to Councillors.

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Recommendation: That the key issues identified by the Community Boards be referred to the relevant units for consideration when preparing their sections of the draft Annual Plan and that unit comments be reported to the Annual Plan Subcommittee when it meets to consider draft budgets, and to the respective Community Boards.

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Recommendation: That the above recommendation be adopted.