THE EXECUTIVE

7 SEPTEMBER 2004

REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF CORPORATE STRATEGY

CORPORATE MONITORING GROUP (CMG) MEMBERSHIP STRUCTURE

FOR DECISION

This report sets out a recommendation from the Corporate Monitoring Group for decision by the Executive

<u>Summary</u>

Last year the Executive (27 May 2003) agreed that "the Corporate Monitoring Group (CMG) should also be responsible for overseeing the Council's relations with the external Auditors."

PriceWaterhouseCoopers (PWC), as part of their Audit Plan for the year ending 31 March 2005, presented to the CMG Audit Committee, advised expanding the Membership of the CMG Audit Committee from two to three Members in order to fulfil its role as an audit committee. Furthermore, PWC strongly advised that the additional Member be from one of the minority parties.

Recommendations

The Executive is asked to recommend the Assembly to appoint another Member to the Corporate Monitoring Group Audit Committee.

<u>Reason</u>

To help the CMG to undertake the role of an audit committee.

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