REPORT OF CABINET

MEETING HELD ON 16 MARCH 2006

Chair:

* Councillor N Shah

Councillors *

- * D Ashton * Burchell
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 - * Margaret Davine
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PART I - RECOMMENDATIONS

* Marie-Louise Nolan

- * O'Dell
- * Bill Stephenson
- † Thornton

RECOMMENDATION I - Key Decision - Children and Young People's Plan 2006-2009

The Executive Director (People First) introduced the report and advised that it replaced a number of statutory and non-statutory plans. The three-year Plan had required a significant level of consultation and was unusual in that it would not be assessed and did not require submission to any other body. She added that the final version of the Plan would include photographs and may contain some textual changes.

In response to a Member's question in relation to consultation with young people, the Executive Director (People First) advised that representative groups of young people had been consulted. She did acknowledge, in response to another Member's comment, that the Plan did not currently reflect Member involvement.

Resolved to RECOMMEND:

That the Children and Young People's Year Plan 2006-09 be approved.

Reason for Recommendation: The Children and Young People's Plan is a Statutory Plan (Children Act 2000) and replaced a number of statutory and non-statutory Plans. The Plan supported more integrated and effective services to improve outcomes for children, as set out in the Children's Act 2004, and identified where outcomes for children and young people needed to be improved and how and when these improvements would be achieved.