LONDON BOROUGH OF HARROW

CABINET – 15 DECEMBER 2011

REFERENCE FROM OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE – 13 DECEMBER 2011

Standing Scrutiny Review of the Better Deal for Residents – Quarterly Report

The Committee received a report which provided a quarterly update on the Standing Scrutiny Review of the Better Deal for Residents consideration of project management and the VERTO system and the Re-abling Focused Care project. The Chair of the review outlined the projects and stated that a successful project would save money.

A Member expressed the view that it was unclear what the significant reductions in project management being proposed in the draft budget and Medium Term Financial Strategy were and that it was unclear what the impact of the reductions in project management might be. The impact of this required consideration. The Interim Director of Finance advised that the proposals covered a three year period and tied in with the transformation programme not having the same throughput. Individual projects would have in built project management and VERTO should assist efficiency. Each proposal built in to the budget was accompanied by an assessment of implications. The Member stated that, in his view, more projects should be coming forward.

RESOLVED: That the findings of the scrutiny review be noted and referred to Cabinet for consideration.

FOR CONSIDERATION

Background Documents:

Report submitted to Overview and Scrutiny Committee held on 13 December 2011.

Draft minutes of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee – 13 December 2011

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