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**EXECUTIVE**

**REPORT FOR INFORMATION**

**MEETING: 11<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY, 2003**

**PRESENT:** Councillor Nick Stanton, Leader of the Council  
Councillor Caroline Pidgeon, Deputy Leader of the Council  
Councillor Beverley Bassom, Housing  
Councillor Catherine Bowman, Regeneration and Economic Development  
Councillor James Gurling, Service Delivery  
Councillor Catriona Moore, Health and Social Care  
Councillor Richard Porter, Community Support and Safety  
Councillor Bob Skelly, Education, Youth and Leisure  
Councillor Richard Thomas, Environment and Transport  
Councillor Lorraine Zuleta, Finance

**77.3 MOTION FROM MEMBERS IN ACCORDANCE WITH COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE 3.9 – COMPREHENSIVE PERFORMANCE ASSESSMENT**

At the Council Assembly on the 22<sup>nd</sup> January, 2003 two motions were submitted in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 3.9 (1) in relation to the Comprehensive Performance Assessment Results. The first motion was moved by Councillor David Bradbury and seconded by Councillor Toby Eckersley. The second motion was moved by Councillor Kenny Mizzi and seconded by Councillor Toby Eckersley. Both motions were subsequently amended and set out below are the details of the amended motion submitted to the Executive on 11<sup>th</sup> February 2003:-

- i. This Council notes that Southwark was rated weak on the Comprehensive Performance Assessment; and calls on the Executive to instruct officers to approach other inner London authorities rated as excellent with a view to learning lessons from them that will help Southwark address the recommendations of the Comprehensive Performance Assessment report.
- ii. Council notes the recent Comprehensive Performance Assessment results and the need to learn from excellently rated Councils of similar type, especially those in London with similar levels of poverty and diversity, and requests the Executive, with particular reference to paragraphs 8,10,12 and 19 of its terms of reference, to report to Council Assembly, no later than its submission of the proposed budget for 2003/04, on its medium-term proposals for information-

sharing with other such authorities and on the extent to which exchanges have influenced the budget proposals for 2003/04.

On the 28<sup>th</sup> January 2003 the Executive considered the Comprehensive Performance Assessment (CPA) Update and the decisions of that meeting are set out below. Members will note that recommendation number 5 seeks to share best practice with other authorities and therefore incorporates the views of motion 1.

1. That the draft CPA Improvement Plan is agreed as a working draft for further discussion with inspectorates.
2. That the Executive sets as a corporate goal the attainment of "good" status by 2005 at the latest.
3. That the Executive endorses the launch of the [Forward@Southwark](#) change programme, welcomes the proposal to set up project groups of senior managers aimed at improving performance and encourages Members of the Executive to become involved in the programme.
4. That the Executive instructs the Assistance Chief Executive to bring a report on the next stage of the change programme to the appropriate meeting of the Executive in March/April.
5. That the Executive agrees to seek co-operation with other authorities (in London and elsewhere) from whom the Council can share best practice.
6. That the Executive wishes to see greater reference to practice in and ideas from other authorities and organization in future reports.
7. That the Executive agrees that specific performance targets aimed at achieving the required improvements be identified of all senior managers in 2003/04

The Executive at its meeting on the 11<sup>th</sup> February, 2003 considered the motions referred from Council on 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2003 and its previous decisions on the CPA, as outlined above, and agreed:-

1. That the contents of the report be noted.
2. That the Comprehensive Performance Plan agreed at the 28<sup>th</sup> January 2003 meeting of the Executive be noted.
3. That the information on other authorities contained within the budget report be noted.

**COUNCILLOR NICK STANTON  
LEADER OF THE COUNCIL**