APPENDIX A

Item No	Classification	Committee	Date
	OPEN	Neighbourhood Forum	March/April 2003
From		Title of Report	
Strategic Director of Housing		Best Value Review of Housing Management - Implementation	
		 Number and Boundaries of Future Areas 	
		Number of Forums	
		Location of Offices	

RECOMMENDATION

The Neighbourhood Forum agree:

- 1. To receive the presentation on the Best Value Review of Housing Management Implementation.
- 2. The number and boundaries of the future administrative Areas for Housing Management.
- 3. The number of Forums which should operate in your specific Area.
- 4. To comment on the main office proposals in your specific area.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

- 5. The decision taken by the Executive on 3rd December 2002 on the final vision for the Housing Management service was endorsed at its meeting on 6th January 2003, together with the recommendations made by the Overview and Scrutiny Committee which met on 18th December 2002.
- 6. The decisions of the Executive in relation to the Best Value review of Housing Management were subject to a separate more detailed report to Neighbourhood Forums during January/February 2003.
- 7. Following a similar report presented to Tenant Council on 13th January, it was agreed by Tenant Council that a deputation should be made to the Executive. The Tenant Council deputation was heard on 11th February and the comments noted.
- 8. Delegates should be aware that the decision taken by Executive has been confirmed now on two occasions and as a result implementation of the review is now proceeding. This report is the first report on the priority issues that need to be discussed as part of the implementation phase of the review. These three issues will be the subject of a further report to the Executive on 1st July 2003.

KEY ISSUES FOR CONSIDERATION

- 9. The presentation will be made in three parts by a member of the Housing Management Divisional Management Team and will cover:
 - a) Discussion on the future number of administrative areas for delivering Housing management services.
 - b) Discussion on the future number of forums for your area.
 - c) Proposals for the future location of offices in your area.

Delegates should be aware that the discussions in relation to b) and c) will be centred on the area relevant to the current Neighbourhood.

10. a) Discussion on the future number of administrative areas for Housing Management.

This part of the presentation will include:

- How areas/neighbourhoods have been selected in the past
- What needs to be considered now
- The Options 6, 7 or 8 Areas

The attached appendices 1, 2 and 3 are included for information and will be used as part of the presentation to assist in the discussion.

11. b) Discussion on the future number of forums for your area.

The attached Appendix 4 is included for information and will be used to assist in the discussion.

12. c) Proposals for the future location of the main office in your area.

The attached Appendix 5 is included for information and will be used to assist in the discussion.

13. Delegates should be aware that a similar item will be presented to a special meeting of both Tenant and Leaseholder Councils on 14th and 28th April respectively, and comments from all Forums will be presented to the Tenant Council meeting on 2nd June 2003.

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