CoLC and Employee Joint Consultative Committee

19 March 2013

40. <u>Medium Term Financial Strategy 2013 - 2018 Proposal to withdraw and close the Commons Warden Service</u>

The Director of Housing and Community Services

- a. presented to Committee the Business Case on the proposed changes to close and withdraw the Commons Warden Service in order to contribute to the required budget savings targets set out in the Councils Medium Term Financial Strategy
- b. highlighted the key drivers underpinning the review as detailed at paragraph 3 of the report and advised on the staff consultation that had taken place
- c. gave an overview of the Business Case and highlighted the following:
 - Scope and Objectives of the Review
 - Summary of Existing Services
 - Proposal Summary
 - Detailed Appraisal of Option
 - Staffing Issues
 - Stakeholder Responses
 - Analysis of the Service Implications, Risk and Equality Impact Assessment
 - Implementation Plan
 - Key Decision Required
- d. referred to the Stakeholder Consultation undertaken through the Commons Advisory Panel and summarised the views that were expressed
- e. highlighted the further views and comments that had been received from individual organisations listed at paragraph 5.2 of the report
- f. referred to Part 2 of the report and presented the detail behind the overall summary figures within the Business Case including the impact on savings targets
- g. advised on the staffing implications and detailed the proposal of the deletion of one full time post from the staffing establishment
- h. referred to the supplementary paperwork circulated at the meeting and highlighted the comments received from staff

Members noted and considered the contents of the report.

RESOLVED that the contents of the report be noted.