

**REPORT TO:** Executive Board  
**DATE:** 15 January 2009  
**REPORTING OFFICER:** Strategic Directorate Corporate & Policy  
**SUBJECT:** Asset Management Plan  
**WARDS:** Borough Wide

## **1.0 PURPOSE OF THE REPORT**

1.1 To seek the Board's approval to the 2008-2011 Asset Management Plan.

## **2.0 RECOMMENDATION: That**

- (1) the 2008-2011 Asset Management Plan and its appendices be formally adopted; and**
- (2) the Corporate Services Portfolio Holder be formally designated as the Council's Lead Member for Asset Management issues.**

## **3.0 SUPPORTING INFORMATION**

### **3.1 Introduction**

- 3.1.1 Formal Asset Management processes have been in place in HBC since 2002 and this plan revises and updates that plan to meet with current local and national requirements.
- 3.1.2 The plan is a robust method of managing our Land and Property assets to meet the needs of both the community at large and to assist and support directorates deliver the Council's priorities.
- 3.1.3 To date the plan has been submitted to the Corporate Policy and Performance Board which supported its content and recommended its approval.
- 3.1.4 The Plan has also been considered and approved by the Corporate Asset Management Working Group (AMWG) in its present form.
- 3.1.5 Best practice also suggests that an Executive Board Member should be specifically identified to take the Corporate Lead on Asset Management issues and it is therefore recommended that the Corporate Services Portfolio Holder be nominated to undertake that role.

## **4.0 POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

- 4.1 The Asset Management Plan demonstrates Halton's commitment to manage its assets in the most appropriate manner using the most appropriate assets.

## **5.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

- 5.1 The Asset Management Plan assists the Council in delivering its objectives and in providing value for money.

## **6.0 IMPLICATIONS FOR THE COUNCIL'S PRIORITIES**

- 6.1 **Children and Young People in Halton** – Provides for services to be delivered in the most effective manner.
- 6.2 **Corporate Effectiveness and Efficient Service Delivery** - Provides for services to be delivered in the most effective manner.
- 6.3 **A Healthy Halton** – Provides buildings that are fit for occupation and delivery of services
- 6.4 **A Safer Halton** – By taking action at the most appropriate time it reduces the risk of having vacant properties that are subject of vandalism and nuisance to the local community

## **7.0 RISK ANALYSIS**

- 7.1 The plan contains no significant risks.

## **8.0 EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY ISSUES**

Not applicable.

## **9.0 LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS UNDER SECTION 100D OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972**

- 9.1 There are no background papers under the meaning of the Act.