

**Corporate Scrutiny Committee Recommendations to the Finance and Management Committee (17 February 2004)**

- the Council continues to make representations to Government about the level of the annual financial settlement
- the Overview Committee (in conjunction with the Leader, Leader of the Conservative Group and the Chair of the Finance and Management Committee) review the options for repaying Council debt, prior to a decision by Council on 26 February
- new sources of income are shown in addition to new spending proposals
- a post implementation evaluation of the 'scoring system' for new spending proposals be undertaken by the Corporate Scrutiny Committee and that the Committee assist in the development and application of the scoring system to existing service areas
- the Finance Briefing be produced on a regular (quarterly) basis, with 'special editions' for new and/or major issues
- a programme be developed to enable all members to receive training in Council finances