

**CONSULTATION ON DRAFT STRATEGIC PLAN**

**1 Background**

1.1 At the meeting of Council held on 18 August 2009, members agreed the draft Strategic Plan for written consultation.

1.2 The consultation document was sent to 57 organisations/individuals and eight responses were received. A consolidated version of comments is attached as Appendix A to this paper.

1.3 Members will note that

- there is no disagreement with our stated aim, values and strategic objectives, though there is one suggestion for improving the focus of our aim and one issue is raised regarding openness and transparency
- other than that comments are focussed on the detail of how we intend to deliver our strategic objectives

1.4 In some instances the office has added text in italics, to provide background information.

**2 Members' action**

3 Members are asked to consider all the comments and agree any consequent amendments to the Strategic Plan prior to publication.