EXCERPT FROM THE MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE HELD ON 28 OCTOBER 2002

EX.341/02 PERFORMANCE INDICATORS – ACCESS FOR DISABLED

PEOPLE (Non-Key Decision)

Portfolio Health and Wellbeing

Subject Matter

To consider recommendations from the Community Overview and Scrutiny Committee of 10 October 2002 relating to the Action Plan to improve disabled access in Council buildings:

- (a) That a high priority be assigned to the works on Denton Holme Community Centre, Greystone Community Centre and the Irthing Centre and that funds be found, if at all possible, in the 2002/03 budgets to bring these buildings up to the Performance Indicator standard.
- (b) That priorities for the 2003/04 work should focus on those buildings which were most used by disabled people, and those properties where the greatest improvement could be made at the least cost.

The Chairman of the Community Overview and Scrutiny Committee was present at the meeting and indicated that the City Council could improve its rating against the performance indicators by making minor alterations to premises which would provide access for disabled people at minimal cost. A corporate approach could also be adopted to ensure that service delivery points were accessible for disabled people.

Councillor Geddes, Corporate Resources Portfolio holder, indicated that she considered making improvements specifically to improve the City Council's standings on Performance Indicator charts was not necessarily the best way of prioritising works to improve disabled access and that the interests of the service should come first.

Summary of options rejected

None

DECISION

That the reference from the Community Overview and Scrutiny Committee be noted.

Reasons for Decision

To respond to the recommendations from the Community Overview and Scrutiny Committee.