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**EXCERPT FROM THE MINUTES OF  
EXECUTIVE  
HELD ON 2 SEPTEMBER 2002**

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**EX.248/02    BEST VALUE BUDGET REVIEW (Key Decision)**

**Portfolio**    Policy and Performance Management

**Subject Matter**

To consider a report from the Town Clerk and Chief Executive (TC.158/02) examining the rationalisation of the Best Value budget in light of Comprehensive Performance Assessment and developments in the City Council's approach to Best Value.

**Summary of options rejected**

None

**DECISION**

That the following recommendations be agreed as part of the Executive's Budget proposals for 2003/04:-

1. That the current Best Value budget of £100,000 be reduced by £55,000 to £45,000 as of 2003/04.
2. That the Town Clerk and Chief Executive be requested to submit a further report to a future meeting identifying how Best Value and Comprehensive Performance Assessment will be best served by this remaining budget of £45,000 in 2003/04.

**Reasons for Decision**

To reduce the budget for Best Value in the light of the Executive's budget strategy for 2003/04 whilst enabling the City Council to continue to meet its statutory and service requirements in respect of Best Value consultation and to support Best Value and Comprehensive Performance Assessment processes.