EXCERPT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE HELD ON 14 MARCH 2011

EX.034/11 AMENDMENT TO COUNCIL FRAMEWORK FOR MEMBER LEARNING

(Key Decision)

Portfolio Performance and Development

Subject Matter

Pursuant to Minute EX.017/11, the Organisational Development Manager submitted report CE.05/11 concerning the Council's Member Learning and Development Framework (MLDF).

The Organisational Development Manager outlined the background to the matter, reminding Members that the Member Learning and Development Working Group had identified that improvements were needed with regard to Member learning, and had proposed several changes to the approach adopted by the City Council, details of which were appended to her report. She added that those changes would require a formal amendment to the existing Policy Framework.

The Resources Overview and Scrutiny Panel had on 17 February 2011 (ROSP.16/11) considered the matter and welcomed the proposed changes as set out in Report CE.03/11. A copy of the Minute Extract had been circulated.

The Performance and Development Portfolio Holder welcomed the proposed changes, which would make training less formal for Members and help to maintain the North West Member Charter. Accordingly he agreed the recommendations, subject to amendment of the final sentence at Section 1.8 by the substitution of the words "equal opportunities training" for "equality and diversity training".

Summary of options rejected None

DECISION

That the amended Council Framework for Member Learning and Development, appended to Report CE.05/11, be referred to the City Council with a recommendation for adoption.

Reasons for Decision

To endorse the proposals from the MLDWG to refresh Member learning; and to enable the Policy Framework to be amended accordingly.