

## **MATTERS HOLDING THE EXECUTIVE TO ACCOUNT**

9/06 - **YEAR END PERFORMANCE 2006/06:** The Performance Manager submitted a written report intended to outline the Council's 2005/06 performance on the national BVPI Performance. The figures quoted in the report were unaudited but it was noted that the performance data would be included in the 2006/07 Performance Plan to be published at the end of June 2006. A final report on the Council's 2005/06 performance would be published after that data had been audited. The Performance Manager referred to two training sessions, 25 July and 7 August 2006 which would assist Members in accessing the Covalent Performance Management System and which would allow Members to access performance information relating to Council services and targets. The Performance Manager advised that for the first time this report contained a Corporate Overview which enabled the Commission to compare performance data across the entire range of Council services. The Commission was then referred to Paragraph 7.4 of the report and the officer highlighted the possibility of the Council improving on its yearly performance without actually meeting its targets. The Performance Manager encouraged the Commission to challenge the targets set out in the report which could be altered if it was considered that there was sufficient justification. Members queried Council performance on a number of indicators in relation to the percentage of early retirements and ill health retirements, the length of stay in temporary accommodation (hostels) and the number of visits to and use of museums and galleries per 1000 head of population. It was noted that this had risen from 465 to 900 in the course of a year and an explanation of the reasons why such an increase had been possible would be made available to Members for information. It was **agreed** that the report be received and its content endorsed. In doing so Members expressed concern with regard to the increase from 2004/05 to 2005/06 in the length of stay in temporary accommodation (hostels) from 23 to 34.75 an increase of around 51 per cent.

(6.25 pm – 6.45 pm)