

**BEST VALUE REVIEW MONITORING UPDATE**

Report of Assistant Chief Executive

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**1. Purpose of the report**

To provide the Committee with summary information on projected actual costs and savings from recent best value reviews.

**2. Costs & savings from best value reviews**

Table 1 sets out a summary of the projected v actual costs/savings from recent best value reviews. Reviews from 1999-2000 and 2000-01 have been excluded on the basis that they are now largely implemented.

The projected costs/savings have been calculated over a five year period. Not all reviews will deliver cashable savings. A large proportion of costs/savings arising out of reviews is likely to fall within the last 2-3 years of the projected 5 year period

**3. Rural Implications**

There are no rural implications arising directly out of this report. Some of the Best Value Reviews reported on will have implications for rural communities.

Table 1: Predicted and actual costs/savings from best value reviews

Best Value Review with completion date	Projected over 5 years*		Actual to date*		Any revisions to total costs / projected total savings + explanation
	Costs in '000s	Savings in '000s	Costs in '000s	Savings in '000s	
Procurement & contract management (2000/01)	410	-2,470	390	-1,070	
Voluntary sector grants-Sept 2001	213	-213	39	-39	
Physical & sensory disabilities – Dec 2001	665	-230	53	0	

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Reprographics – Jan 2002	520	-640	0	0	The cost and saving have been revised to exclude network printing using multi functional devices. The cost of the review of the print portal has increased by 70k to 520k
Communications – March 2002	90	-795	30	-22.5	Seeking legal advice on whether statutory advertising can be placed on the internet rather than using newspapers and journals.
Environmental management- March 2002	115	-115	5.3	-5	
Community Safety – March 2002	95	-20	10	0	
Personnel & employment- March 2002	32	325	2	0	
Fire services procurement- April 2002	The recommendation being implemented is to transfer fire service procurement to County Supplies. Savings arising out of the review will be determined by Service Level Agreements which will be decided between the service and County Supplies. Potential non cashable savings may be produced from more efficient use of premises. Given the disruption within the service due to industrial action there has been a delay in implementing the recommendations. Consultation will begin when the FBU agree that the dispute is resolved.				
Services to School – April 2002	1,316	-735	305	0	The cost of the review has decreased by 37k
Economic Development - June 2002	410	-410	185	0	
Elderly with mental health impairment – June '02	6,720	-6,650	19	0	
Adult Care Services to older people – June 2003	Information on costs/savings to date on these reviews will be available for the next Committee meeting.				
Libraries in the Community – July 2003					
Planning and Transport Policy – July 2003					

- cost of implementing the recommendations of the review and savings arising out of recommendations of the review, calculated over a 5 year period.

### 3 Conclusions

The Committee is asked to note the projected v actual costs/savings arising out of recent best value reviews.