

## **FC47. AUDIT OF BEST VALUE AND COMMUNITY PLANNING – AUDIT SCOTLAND REPORT, MAY 2008**

There was submitted Report (circulated) dated 5 June 2008 by the Chief Executive (a) advising of the findings contained within the report recently published by Audit Scotland on the Audit of Best Value and Community Planning within Falkirk Council; and (b) detailing the improvement actions which the auditors have recommended the Council consider in progressing its approach to Best Value.

### **AGREED:-**

- (1) to welcome the publication of the Audit Scotland report, Audit of Best Value and Community Planning for Falkirk Council;
- (2) the findings of the report, including the areas for improvements;
- (3) that a response be sent to the Accounts Commission recognising the positive nature of the report and the Council's agreement of its findings along with a copy of the existing Improvement Plan as detailed in Appendix 1 of the report;
- (4) to update the current Improvement Plan to make reference to the specific actions as noted in paragraph 3.10 of the report; and
- (5) that the new Plan be monitored through regular reports to Best Value and Audit Forum with six monthly progress reports being submitted to the Policy and Resources Committee.