NOTE OF MEMBERS FINANCE REFERENCE GROUP - 26 July 2006

Present – Cllr Baron, Cllr Lally, Cllr Taylor, Cllr Cole, Cllr Llewellyn-Jones, A Deakin, A Sumby, R Hanson, P Hurford, M Williams

Apologies – Cllr Henshaw

Review of Projects:

Notts Connect/ Notts 101 – A long discussion took place, the outcome being that the Reference group recommended that the lease at Sherwood Business Park would continue to be negotiated by Property staff, however we should only commit to the lease once we have secured funding of £1 million for the 101 project and have a commitment from the project manager regarding the £600K contribution from District Councils. If funding does not materialise then it is suggested that the building at Sherwood Business Park is too big for the Authority's needs and should not be pursued, instead the contact centre could move back into the Ashfield area office. Councillor Baron would pass on the recommendations of the Reference Group to the Leader and Deputy Leader at a meeting the following day.

Ashfield Area Office – The shortfall on this project was recognised as a potential issue dependant on what happens with the Notts Connect Project.

[NB These minutes have been redacted. Information unrelated to the Notts Connect Project has not been included.]