

## Item 19 Procurement of Vehicles

### **Summary forwarded from the Environment & Community Safety Overview & Scrutiny Committee meeting held on 6 June 2011**

ECSOSC welcomes the aims of the vehicle replacement programme, reducing carbon emissions and increasing Value for Money. More information on current vehicle usage, the business case for change, evaluation of alternative options and environmental considerations would be beneficial.

ECSOSC recommends:

- (1) That the Council be able to account for all its vehicles and plant, including records on maintenance, insurance and other running costs.
- (2) That anticipated reductions in the size and the carbon impact of the vehicle and plant fleet be tracked and reported.
- (3) That disposal of the existing vehicles takes environmental impact into account, as far as possible.
- (4) That any further practical measures be considered that would reduce the operational need for vehicles across the council.
- (5) That technological developments including improved 'hybrid' vehicles be fully investigated.
- (6) That consideration be given as to whether there are further opportunities to re-evaluate the fleet for low carbon emissions.

