



**Meeting of:**  
The Council

**Time / Date**  
7.00 pm  
19<sup>th</sup> October 2005

**Venue**  
Bacup Leisure Hall,  
Burnley Road, Bacup

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### Agenda

ITEM	Page	Lead Member / Contact Officer
<b>A. Business Matters</b>		
A1. <b>Apologies for Absence</b>		
A2. To receive as read and approve as a correct record the <b>Minutes</b> of the Council meeting held on 21 <sup>st</sup> September 2005.	3-12	Julian Joinson, Democratic Services Manager (01706) 244506
A3. <b>Declarations of Interest</b> Members are requested to indicate at this stage, any items on the agenda in which they intend to declare an interest. Members are reminded that, in accordance with the Local Government Act 2000 and the Council's Code of Conduct, they must declare the nature of any personal interest and, if the interest is prejudicial, withdraw from the meeting during consideration of the item.		Julian Joinson, Democratic Services Manager (01706) 244506
<b>B. Communications from the Mayor, the Leader or Head of Paid Service</b> To receive any communications from the Mayor, the Leader or the Head of the Paid Service that they may wish to lay before the Council.		Councillor J D Cheetham/ Councillor D Ruddick/ Owen Williams, Chief Executive
<b>C. Members' Question Time</b>		
<b>D. Public Question Time</b>		
<b>E. Constitutional Matters</b>		
E1. <b>Appointment of Vice-Chairs of the Overview and Scrutiny Committees</b> To appoint Vice-Chairs of the Overview and Scrutiny Committees. (proposals will follow)		Julian Joinson, Democratic Services Manager (01706) 244502

<b>F. Ordinary Items of Business</b>		
F1.	<b>Local Government Ombudsman Investigation</b> Report of the Head of Legal and Democratic Services on the outcome of a complaint of maladministration by the Council made to the Local Government Ombudsman. A copy of the report will follow.	13-30 Councillor J Farquharson/ Mark Weston, Head of Legal and Democratic Services (01706) 244502
F2.	<b>Statement Of Final Accounts 2004/05</b> A report of the Finance Manager is attached requesting Members to note the District Auditor's letter from the Audit Commission and to approve the amended Financial Statement in respect of the financial year 2004/05. A copy of the Final Statement of Accounts will be circulated under separate cover.	31-36 Councillor M Ormerod/ Janice Crawford, Finance Manager (01706) 244601
<b>G. Recommendations to Council</b>		
<i>Cabinet – 12<sup>th</sup> October 2005</i>		
G1.	<b>Medium Term Financial Strategy 2006/07 – 2008/09</b> At its meeting on 12 <sup>th</sup> October 2005, the Cabinet will have been requested to consider approval of the Council's Medium Term Financial Strategy which will set the parameters for the future budget process. A copy of the report is attached.  The recommendations of the Cabinet will be submitted at the meeting.	37-93 Councillor M Ormerod/ George Graham, Executive Director of Resources (01706) 244780

for Chief Executive