Major Risks

- 1. Unitary plans cost of change. Currently there is no budget, however a contingent reserve of £200K has been created
- 2. Government Settlement for 2008-09. The settlement that has been announced will be £50k less than budgeted for in 2008-09. Additionally, inflation could exceed that budgeted for 2008-09.
- 3. Fit for Purpose Organisation (Restructure) savings in 2007-08 of £250k were built into the budget. The savings have been achieved, in the main due to funds being captured from last year. This risk is therefore much reduced.
- 4. Pay and Rewards budget has allowed for £470k (4%); the costs could be above the estimate, especially if appeals, which can't be controlled, are numerous. The outcome of the review is still awaited.
- 5. Non-achievement of efficiencies a total of £266k has to be delivered. A review of efficiencies is being conducted during January/February.
- 6. Future Leisure Provision need to keep a close monitor on rebuilding the income in 2007-08.
- 7. Revenues and Benefits the performance of both is improving.
- 8. New Finance System the current finance system is not fit for purpose. A decision on its replacement was delayed until the Unitary decision was announced. The Council will integrate into the County's financial systems, at a pace to be decided.