

BUDGET SCRUTINY 2013

Aims and Objectives



THE PLAN FOR BUDGET SCRUTINY

AIM

To challenge and support the councils Corporate Plan and Budget together with our partners' contributions, to ensure that they are deliverable and best meet the needs of the City.

OBJECTIVES

- Determine whether the city's and council's shared priorities are being effectively supported and resourced
- Ensure there is a clear understanding of the impact of the proposals for resource reduction and resource allocation on the city's neighbourhoods taking into account the views of people of Plymouth.
- Ensure clarity around how changes in resources allocation in one service or partner area can impact on another service or partner area
- Determine whether the balance between overhead costs and service delivery costs is the right one.
- Ensure we have a clear view of both risks and their mitigation and the future opportunities that will derive from other shared services and pooled resources
- Assess the impact of legislation on our ability to deliver services and whether we are fit for purpose for addressing this challenge
- Assess whether the corporate plan and budget encourage a sense of togetherness and ownership of council supported services, amenities and assets