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2.	<p><u>Motion by Councillor Graham</u></p> <p>“That this Council calls upon the Scottish Government to increase its 09/10 allocation of funding to Aberdeen City Council in order to prevent further cuts to services to the elderly, disabled and those less fortunate within Aberdeen. Furthermore, this Council Administration honours their promise to the people of Aberdeen during the protest march back in April 2008 by instructing the Chief Executive the write to the Scottish Government demanding that Aberdeen City Council receives a fairer funding settlement consistent with the Scottish average. That the Leadership writes to all Aberdeen city constituency and North East list MSPs calling on them to support Aberdeen City Council’s plea for a better funding settlement.</p>	12.11.08	<p>The Committee approved the terms of the motion and a background report was submitted on 21 January.</p> <p>At the meeting of 3 March, 2009, the Committee agreed the recommendations in the report and requested that a letter, signed by all party leaders, be sent to partners across the city, such as NHS Grampian and the Chamber of Commerce. This was to be sent along with a copy of the previous Leadership Board letter attached to show the cross-party work which the Council was undertaking to pursue a fairer funding settlement and to seek support across the city.</p>	<p>On 8<sup>th</sup> December, 2009, the Committee considered an update report on the matter and agreed (a) that a letter from the Chief Executive in connection with the matter be sent to the Scottish Government prior to the Christmas break; (b) that the Chief Executive and the Leadership Board continue to press the case for a fairer funding settlement; (c) that officers investigate the possible benefits to the Council of tax increment financing and a change in the floor level; and (d) to request that all political parties put their weight behind the campaign for fairer funding.</p> <p>At its meeting on 21<sup>st</sup> January, 2010, the Committee heard that a response had been received from the Cabinet Secretary for Finance &amp; Sustainable Growth, indicating that he was agreeable to meeting with the Chief Executive and the Leadership Board to discuss the funding settlement for Aberdeen.</p> <p><b>While a diary date has yet to be finalised for the meeting between the Leadership Board and the Cabinet Secretary, the Council Leader and the Chief Executive along with their counterparts from Aberdeenshire Council met with Mr Swinney on 16 February. The Cabinet Secretary made clear at the meeting that in terms of the funding distribution formula he will not be</b></p>	Head of Service, Office of the Chief Executive	04.03.10	No

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				moving from the COSLA recommendations following the review undertaken during 2009. The Council Leader and Chief Executive for their part made clear that the City Council will continue to press the case for a fairer funding settlement for Aberdeen. A full report will be provided to the Committee once the Leadership Board's meeting with the Cabinet Secretary has taken place.			
3.	<p><u>Councillor McDonald</u></p> <p>“That this Council welcomes the publication of the Alcohol (Scotland) Bill, and in particular the proposals for minimum pricing. Council notes the staggering cost of alcohol abuse to Scottish society is estimated to be around £3.56 billion, which would make the pro-rata cost for Aberdeen £146.7 million. Council therefore calls on all parties to back the proposals for minimum pricing as part of an overall strategy to tackle Scotland’s shameful alcohol abuse record.”</p>	10.02.10	Referred to Corporate Policy & Performance Committee on 10 <sup>th</sup> February, 2010/				