Report to: Executive Board – 30th November, 2004

IMPLEMENTING ELECTRONIC GOVERNMENT STATEMENT 4 (IEG4)

Report of: Business Unit Manager –Business
Systems

WARDS AFFECTED

All

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Scrutiny

Responsibility: Finance

Key Decision: No

Summary

As you will be aware, e-Government is not just about information technology but also about putting the citizen at the heart of everything that Oxford City Council does. It is about looking at our services and changing the way that the Council does things to make its services more accessible to the customer. This report details the information required by the Office of the Deputy Prime Minister in order to assess how far the authority is progressing towards the December 2005 deadline (100% electronic enablement)

e-Government provides a robust mechanism for strengthening the Councils core processes, especially those functions that relate to front and back office. The Customer Contact Strategy is an integral part of the Councils e-Government programme and contributes significantly to the delivery of our IEG targets.

The traffic light status on the self assessment section of the submission form depicts at what stage the Council is at with the projects:

Green means that the Council has actioned and implemented the requirement.

Amber status is applied to all elements where work has been approved for funding.

Red means that the work is at the research stage.

Black depicts that the suggested work is not planned or appropriate.

Funding

The successful submission of IEG4 will result in further funding from the ODPM for the next financial year. This is expected to be the final tranche of funding that will be given towards e-Government implementation. For the 02/03 and 03/04 periods, local authorities were given £200,000. This year they received £350,000. 05/06 will see authorities receiving a further £150,000.

The deadline for submission of this document is 20th December 2004.

Executive Board is recommended:

- To note the good progress that Oxford City Council has made this year towards the December 2005 deadline
- Agree the content of Oxford City Council's fourth Implementing Electronic Government submission

THIS REPORT HAS BEEN SEEN AND APPROVED BY:

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