

## NOTICE OF POLICY DECISIONS

The Community Services Committee made the following decisions at its meeting on 8 January 2004:-

<u>Item</u>	<u>Decision</u>
<b>Issues Arising from Overview and Scrutiny</b>	(1) That the existing 2003/04 budgeted programme be carried out.
<b>1 Playspace Sub-Committee</b> (Minute 05/04)	(2) That the programme for 2004/05 be on the same financial basis as the 2003/04 programme, ie, the total capital and revenue expenditure should not exceed expenditure during 2003/04. (CD(F&ES))
<b>Rayleigh Windmill Heritage Lottery Bid</b> (Minute 06/04)	(1) That the pre-planning bid, as presented in this report, be submitted to the Heritage Lottery Fund to provide resources to develop the Council's bid for the Windmill refurbishment and creation of the museum.  (2) That Members decline the offer of providing a representative to attend board meetings of the Museums in Essex Service at this stage. (CD(F&ES))
<b>Proposed St John Ambulance HQ – Hockley Community Centre</b> (Minute 07/04)	That, subject to the grant of planning permission and the release of the land by Hockley Community Centre, a lease for a term of 21 years be granted to St John Ambulance for the use of the land on the south western side of the community centre to construct a headquarters, the lease to be at market value and such other terms as the Head of Legal Services considers appropriate. (CD(F&ES))
<b>Intermediate Care Scheme</b> (Minute 08/04)	(1) That the report be noted.  (2) That a press release and article in <i>Rochford District Matters</i> be issued about the scheme. (HRHM)

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**Void Policy for Social Housing**  
(Minute 09/04)

That the Void Policy for Social Housing be adopted. (HRHM)

**Amendment to Tenancy Agreement** (Minute 10/04)

- (1) That it be agreed in principle that glazing should become the tenant's responsibility.
- (2) That it be agreed that the internal re-decoration of communal areas in OAP schemes be amended to 'being at the Building Surveyor's discretion, but not less than every seven years'.
- (3) That it be agreed that the internal re-decoration of common parts of other dwellings be undertaken 'as often as necessary and as circumstances dictate'.
- (4) That it be agreed that the priority of repairing fences and gates be moved from a responsive to a planned repair with patch repairs undertaken if necessary to make safe.
- (5) That the responsibility for blockages to waste pipes inside the property be moved from a tenant's responsibility to the landlord's responsibility.
- (6) That the provision and maintenance of loft insulation be made the responsibility of the landlord. (HRHM)

**Sheltered Housing Scheme Management** (Minute 11/04)

- (1) That interim management arrangements be continued, with scheme managers working a 37-hour week supervising paired schemes.
- (2) That 'Out of Hours' calls continue to be referred to Basildon Careline.
- (3) That new working arrangements be finalised following the survey at the trial period and that a report come back to this Committee in April 2004. (HRHM)

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**Reducing the Age for OAP Designated Bungalows**  
(Minute 12/04)

That the age of admission to one-bedroom bungalows be reduced from 60 to 55. (HRHM)

**Caravan Site Licensing – Update** (Minute 13/04)

- (1) That progress on Crouch Caravan Park and Hockley Mobile Homes be monitored and a further report be made in twelve months.
  
- (2) That the application for deferment in respect of the outstanding distance breach at Hockley Mobile Homes be granted until there is a change of occupier or mobile home and the site licence holder and resident be informed accordingly. (HHHCC)

The above decisions will come into force, and may then be implemented, on the expiry of five working days after the publication of this Notice, unless referred to Full Council by a minimum of 3 Members or called in by an Overview and Scrutiny Committee.

**Signed** .....  
Head of Administrative and Member Services

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