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Castle Point & Rochford Drug Reference Group (DRG)				
To raise awareness of drug issues throughout the area, including monitoring of prevention activities and initiating own projects. (2)	Yes. The Council also provides admin support and is required by the Home Office to act as 'bankers' for a number of initiatives involving large sums of money.	The objectives of the DRG closely follow the objectives of the Rochford District Crime & Disorder Reduction Strategy which is required by statute.	Yes. The DRG is operated jointly with Castle Point BC who send 2 Councillors to DRG meetings. The DRG suggests that the 2 Councils could consider reducing reps to one each?	Yes. Local authorities are required by Central Government to participate in DRG's.
Consortium of Waste				
Collection Authorities Consider joint District concerns on waste issues. (6)	Fully participated in all joint working, including pro rata financial contribution.	Closely aligned with Council's interests.	Yes	Yes
Local Government Association (LGA) General Assembly				
Acts as the Forum for Local Government. (1)	The Council pays an annual subscription of £11,999 to the Association.	The Association objectives are aligned with the Council's direct interests. The Association exists to promote local government, represent the interests of its member authorities and provide services to member authorities.	Yes, all local authorities have voting rights on the general assembly – the LGA governing body. The general assembly determines policy. It is important for all member authorities to be involved in the work of their association.	Yes. It is recognised by Central Government as the representative body for local government.

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Local Government Association (LGA) Rural Commission				
(See above)	See above	See above	See above	See above
(1)				
Local Government Association Urban Commission				
(See above)	See above	See above	See above	See above
(1)				
NCE (Shape) Ltd.				
Provides strategic overview of the operation of projects for single homeless people in Rochford District (1)	The Council contributed £2,537 last year to support NCE (Shape) units within the District	Provides supported accommodation to young vulnerable people who may be homeless. Forms part of the Council's homelessness strategy and has links to the Community Safety Strategy in terms of crime prevention.	Yes. In order to develop and monitor local arrangements in the District. The body has a support and advice group to which Council representatives are invited.	Yes.

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Old Peoples Welfare Committee for Rochford & District				
To assist the elderly in Rochford and District. (2)	Yes. This support has largely made the work possible over the past 42 years. (£3,300)	Yes. All elderly in Rochford District are welcomed at the Day Centre. The Older Peoples Clubs from the Parishes have membership on the Committee.	Yes. The Council has provided the Chairperson over many years & many Councillors are able to help & advise on problems of concern to the elderly. They also keep Council tax payers up to date with Council policy matters.	Yes. The Committee affiliated to Age Concern – England & Essex, Rayleigh & Rochford Assoc of Voluntary Services & representatives from Social Services, CAB, Parish Councils, Community Health Council & members of NHS sub- committees involved.
Rochford Crime and Disorder Partnership Group To liaise with key partners in	Much of the Crime and Disorder	The Crime and Disorder Act	Yes	Yes
implementing the Crime and Disorder Reduction Strategy for the Rochford District. (1)	Reduction Partnership funding comes from the Home Office. Council Officers are involved in the administration and the Council acts as bankers for the 'partnership'. Occasionally the Crime and Disorder Reserve is used to finance partnership actions.	1988 requires the Council to be a statutory partner in the Crime and Disorder Reduction Partnership and play a leading role in its activities.		

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A multi-agency Panel working towards raising awareness, increasing confidence in victims to come forward and assisting them to address the issues. (1)	Any funding is through the Crime and Disorder Reduction Partnership which in turn receives ad-hoc funding from the Home Office. Rochford District Council Officers deal with administration of the Domestic Violence Panel. Some one-off costs are met through the Crime and Disorder Reserve (e.g. leaflets).	The Government demands that each Crime and Disorder Reduction Partnership has a three year Crime and Disorder strategy. Within the Rochford Crime and Disorder Reduction Partnership are objectives directly relating to domestic violence. The Domestic Violence Panel is responsible for these objectives.	Yes	Yes
South East Essex Technology Centre Promoting youth/adult training and employment (1)	In the past financial support was provided in 1984/85 and, in kind, from1986-1989.	For the last 18 years the charity's objective of promoting youth/adult training and employment has been focussed on Rochford District Council residents and is thereby closely aligned.	Yes believe so. Rochford District Council was the original founding organisation and it provides a useful link into accessing European Social Funds, some of which are spent on residents.	Yes.
57 South Street Management Committee To manage the above Youth Service Project with Rochford Parish Council. (2)	The Council is responsible for National Non Domestic Rate and Maintenance and Repair of 57 South Street.	Provides an information facility for the Youth of the District.	Yes. Included within the joint Management Agreement. Also necessary because of financial commitment.	Yes. The other parties are Rochford Parish Council and Essex County Council.

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The Thames Gateway South Essex Partnership has been formed to develop a vision and implement a regeneration strategy for Thames Gateway South Essex. The partnership will provide a focal point for dialogue with Government, National, Regional and other local organisations, which can contribute to economic regeneration. It will champion the areas interests and act as a conduit for funding and investment. It aims to adopt an inclusive approach and to encourage partnership working and will seek to inform and consult widely. (1 plus Chief Executive) Youth Arts Partnership	The Council makes a membership contribution of £5,000 p.a (2002/03)	The objectives of TGSEP are to promote & support the regeneration of South Essex including Rochford. These objectives are in direct alignment with the Council's interests.	The Council is a key member of the partnership. It is essential that the Council is involved in both policy making (through the Board) & delivery (through the officer working groups).	Thames Gateway is a national government priority and TGSEP is a member of the Thames Gateway Strategic Partnerhsip chaired by Lord Rooker. Thames Gateway has statutory existence through Regional Planning Guidance Note9/9a.
Partnership of all Secondary Schools, District Council and Youth Service to deliver Arts to young people. (1)	Yes	Closely aligned through Rochford District Council's Arts Officer.	Yes, as part of the Management Committee.	In delivering the Arts to Young people – yes.

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Youth Sports Advisory Group To co-ordinate and offer sporting opportunities for young people in the District to take part in whatever level they wish, thus reaching their full potential. (1)	Yes- Is led by the District Council	The objectives of the body are closely aligned with those of the Sports Development Unit at RDC. Effectively, the work carried out aims to benefit those within the community.	Yes as the Sports Development Unit manages the Group.	The Group can be considered part of the local government process, because of the Council's direct involvement.
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Anglia Polytechnic University – Consultative Committee				
Provides direct service to the residents of the Rochford District by promoting lifelong learning. (1)	No, the Council has not been asked to give any outside support.	APU provides a direct service to the residents of the Rochford District by promoting lifelong learning via its campus at Benfleet.	Yes, for APU & its campus to effectively respond to the educational needs of residents of the Rochford District, it is essential that elected representatives of the Council have direct input into policy making & forward planning.	Yes because the University participates with other stakeholders, including Rochford District Council, in discussions relative to the Thames Corridor, Regional Development Plans & Workforce development in the South East Essex area.

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Authorities				
To represent Local Governance in Essex. To consider matters of mutual interest and work together on issues of common concern. (1)	£2000 p.a subscription	No direct services. The purpose of the AEA is to be a focus for promoting and discussing the means of optimising the use of resources, either by acting together as members or in partnership with others, for the benefit of people in Essex.	No – Desirable rather than essential.	Yes – The AEA is the central/core partnership body for local government and other partners in Essex.
Association of Essex Authorities Community Strategies Members Group				
(See above)	Part of above	See above.	See above	See above
(1)				
Association of Essex Authorities Community Safety Members Steering Committee				
(See above)	Part of above.	See above	See above	See above
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Crouch Harbour Authority				
To administer the River Crouch and Roach for the enjoyment of members of the public participating in any lawful water sports or leisure activities. (1)	Yes	Yes	Preferably	Body is the statutory Harbour Authority.
Rayleigh Age Concern				
Provides day care and lunch club facilities for the elderly/retired residents. (1)	Yes (£3,300)	Yes for elderly and retired residents including those with disabilities.	No – a submission including the annual accounts are submitted when making the annual grant application to the Council.	Yes as a provider of a caring service.
Regional Employers Panel				
(East of England Local Government Conference)				
The principal object of the organisation is to protect and further the interests of the member authorities in relation to any matter of employment. (1)	Yes – The Council pays a subscription to the Panel as part of its overall subscription to the East of England Local Government Conference.	As the principal regional body relating to all matters concerned with local authorities' role as direct employers, the REP is closely aligned with the Councils' direct interests.	It is not essential, but it is certainly desirable that all Councils are involved.	Yes

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To enhance the quality of couple, parental and family relationships, to help relationships and marriages withstand the pressures leading to breakdown; to limit the damage that accompanies failing relationships and increase the prospect of subsequent relationships succeeding. (1)	Funding has been £800 during this financial year. (£800)	The organisation offers a service to residents for individual or couple relationship counselling. Clients are asked to contribute according to income, but because of the funding situation clients can be accepted who cannot contribute. Counselling is provided locally. We also offer free training programmes and have delivered these to members of the local community as well as Council employees. Mediation service is also available.	A representative from the Council is welcomed because this enables the organisation to keep direct contact and ensure we are working within Council policy.	Representation from/to the Council ensures that as new services are developed they are supportive of and in line with Council policies and processes.
Rochford & Castle Point Community Legal Service Partnership To plan and co-ordinate provision of publicly funded legal advice services. (1)	Not directly – Council offices are used and Member/officer time involved.	The body's objectives are aligned with the Council's interests.	Yes	Yes

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for Carers) To relieve the stresses experienced by carers of children and adults who have care needs as a result of disability, illness or age by offering a respite service through the provision of community based support workers. (2)	Pump primed initially (1981). Provides office space. Provides financial services (payroll). Provides Personnel & Legal advice.	Direct service provided to carers in Rochford District Council area.	As the Council provides 'benefits in kind' it is considered useful & supportive to have representatives from RDC.	Only in that some income derives from Essex County Council in the form of carers grants and purchase of services.
Rochford Health Partnership Board Liaison body between the Council, Primary Care Trust, Essex County Council and others. (4)	Administration and secretarial support only.	The body provides a forum for the exchange of information on health and social care issues that directly impact on local residents and some aspects of the Council's service provision. In time, it may provide a useful vehicle for managing joint funded schemes.	Yes – The Council is one of the main partners.	Yes – It assists the Council in improving the well being of the community.

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Springboard Home Improvement Service Support Group				
To support the Home Improvement Scheme. (1)	Yes – Grant funding is received.	Advice, advocacy and assistance with grant applications for elderly, disabled and vulnerable home owners living in RDC area.	Yes	Steering groups are recommended as part of home improvement agency to provide support, advice and to promote the services available.
St Marks Field Community Hall Management Committee				
To determine the lettings and manage the new Community Hall at St Mark's Field, Rochford. (1)	Yes	Yes – Provides community facilities.	Yes	No
Stambridge Sewage Treatment Works Liaison Committee				
Liaison Body between Stambridge Parish Council, local people, District and County Councillors, Environment Agency and Anglian Water Services concerning Stambridge Sewage Treatment works.	No – Not strong financial support.	Yes – The Committee protects the residents of Stambridge and takes on board residents views and actions them.	Yes – The parish council is involved in the policy making and management of the outside body. The Parish Council controls the body.	Yes the body has representatives from local government.
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Supporting People Commissioning Body				
Countywide body which determines funding for housing support services. (1)	No, the Essex Supporting People Commissioning Body will agree the use of the Supporting People Grant payable by Government.	The Commissioning Body will agree the contracts for housing- related support services aimed at reducing homelessness and the social exclusion of vulnerable people. The supporting people programme aims to promote the independence of people by helping older people and other user groups to maintain their own housing. The objectives reflect the Governments objectives for all local authorities and their statutory partners.	Yes. The partnership seeks to work through reflecting the local needs of each District within an overall framework of service standards. The Commissioning Body is expected to reach decisions by achieving consensus. It is therefore important that Rochford fully engage in the decision and policy making process.	Yes this is part of the arrangements for discharging the new responsibilities placed on Local Authorities by the Secretary of State under Section 93 of the Local Government Act 2000. The decision making body remains Rochford District Council in relation to the relevant aspects of the Supporting People programme which the District has to contribute to delivering. Hence, Rochford District Council remains the appropriate authority for scrutinising the decisions reached by the Commissioning Body in relation to Rochford and its functions.
Waste Management Advisory Board				
Develop an agreed countywide strategy for the future management of municipal solid waste. (1 Vacancy)	All Councils in Essex are making financial contributions to the cost of technical and PR consultants employed by the Board, to develop the strategy.	Yes	No – but highly desirable.	Yes

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Cory Environmental Trust in Rochford				
To distribute monies derived from landfill tax credits (for conservation projects, promoting sustainable waste management, provision of recreational facilities and other defined purposes). (1)	None	Direct service for the council tax payers.	No	Yes
Council for the Protection of Rural Essex				
To make any necessary representations where a planning application threatens countryside interests. To join with others in highlighting dangers to the local countryside. (1)	Limited financial support has been given by Rochford District Council.	Whilst not providing a direct service for council tax payers, we regularly comment on a variety of consultation documents, local and county structure plans, which indirectly affect the Rochford District.	No – but it is desirable to ensure fair representation of all Districts within the County.	Yes

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Essex County Youth Service Local Strategy Group				
To provide a forum of Local Education Authority accountability checks and balances, as part of a process geared to ensure that the social education needs of local young people are well met; to provide a local forum through which informed debate, in relation to youth affairs, can take place and effective partnerships developed with a range of voluntary, statutory and commercial organisations with a concern for the well being of young people, to provide constructively critical support for work with young people through the locality. (3 - Including one vacancy)	Do not receive financial support from Rochford District Council for the local strategy group.	Essex County Council Youth Service provides services to young people in the Rochford locality.	ECC Youth Service believes that RDC should be involved in the group given its purpose.	ECC Youth Service is part of Local Government services.

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Essex Strategic Rail Group (was named Great Eastern Rail Forum)				
Liaison and provision of interface between service provider, regulator and Local Authority. (1 - was 2)	Not aware of any financial support.	The Great Eastern Rail Forum has now changed to Essex Strategic Rail Group. The group aims to use the actions within the Rail Policy document 'On the Right Lines' as its base. Therefore, the body should help to provide direct services to council tax payers.	The rail policy has already been written on part of the Essex local transport policy. Rochford District Council would have been consulted.	Yes
Hockley Community Care Association - Executive Committee				
To oversee and manage the running of the Hockley Community Centre (2 - Including 1 vacancy)	Non other than initial loan of £50,000 to support the building of the centre approximately 27 years ago. Currently being paid back at £750 per month.	The body provides a direct service to tax payers.	No direct contact with Council over last 7 years apart from during recent problem with travellers squatting in the field.	Probably not.

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Hockley & Hawkwell Old Peoples Welfare Committee				
To provide services for the elderly:- We run a day centre 5 days a week providing lunches and afternoon activities and various other activities. Also own a bus/ambulance to take people to and from the day centre. It is also used to take those who cannot get on a coach to the outings. Have a home visiting service, a jigsaw library service and liaise between various organisations and the elderly regarding having door chains, peep-holes, fire alarms etc. Also own and rent some accident alarm buttons.	Rochford Council is the only outside body to give financial help. The organisation had a grant this year of £3300 for which they are extremely grateful. It is used to help with the transport costs of bringing people to & from the day centre.	Yes – the Committee help the elderly to remain in the community. Most of the clients remain with the organisation until they die. As they get older, the Group liaise on their behalf with Social Services to help provide them with care. The few that get beyond the Committees help are admitted into homes.	No - but are grateful for any help received.	(No comment)
(1)	(£3,300)			
Hullbridge Community Association				
Responsible for decision making relating to the running of the Community Centre.	Rate relief and a loan in 1979 to set up, which has long been paid off.	Educational. The Association runs an active pre-school and assist by providing accommodation for lessons in	Probably not, but communication is always helpful.	No
(2 Vacancies)		keep fit, judo & tai-chi.		

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Hullbridge Senior Citizens Welfare Council				
Responsible for decision making relating to the running of the Day Centre in Hullbridge (subject to regulations laid down by Charity Commissioners).	Yes	Closely aligned in that it is in Council's interest to support & encourage day centres for local elderly people.	Not essential but obviously Council kept informed of activities e.g. via grant applications & the representative appointed by the Council attending the AGM's and being	No
(1)	(£3,300)		in a position to become involved if they wish to.	
Homeless Action Resource Project (HARP),formerly Southend Night Shelter for the Homeless				
To promote the work and consider fundraising issues for the night shelter.	Yes – An annual grant	Yes	No	No
(1 vacancy)	(Service Level Agreement)			
Rayleigh Mount Local Committee				
Management of Rayleigh Mount. (2)	Financial support by waiver of fees for play performance on Mount . Emptying of litter and dog bins. Occasional grass cuts.	Free and open access to Rayleigh Mount to the general public daily – 0700-1700 in the winter and 0700-1800 in the summer.	Not essential, but input is welcome.	(No comment made).

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Rochford Hundred Association for Local Councils				
To establish a two way communication between Member Councils and Rochford District Council in order that both parties obtain a better understanding and working relationships.	No	The objectives are closely linked as Association consists of 12 Town/Parish Councils who liaise with each other on various issues within the Rochford District. Two Perishes are currently non-members.	No, but the RDC representatives provide important liaison between District & Parishes. This is virtually the only formal District/Parish liaison which takes place on a regular basis.	Yes
(1)				
Rochford & Rayleigh Citizens Advice Bureau Management Committee				
The provision of free, confidential, impartial advice.	Yes – The financial support from the Council represents core funding without which it would be unable to operate.	A direct service to the community is provided by way of free, confidential and impartial advice, plus activities in the field of Social Policy. This service is provided in accordance with the	Not essential, but useful in that such involvement leads to better communications between the Council and the organisation particularly in terms of any community initiatives.	No – The organisation is independent although most bureaux throughout the country receive core funding from the local authority.
(1)	(£68,000 + £1600 for outreach. £1000 for mediation – both paid as required)	membership requirements of National Association of Citizens Advice Bureaux.	community initiatives.	
Rochford Sports Council				
The promotion of sports for all in the Rochford District	Yes	Yes – Both	No	No
(1)	(£2,250)			

NAME OF OUTSIDE BODY/STATED PURPOSE/NUMBER OF APPOINTEES 'ROOM' The National Council	QUESTION 1 (Has the Council given strong financial support to the Outside Body)	QUESTION 2 (Does the Body either provide a direct service for the Council tax payers or are the objectives of the Body closely aligned with the Council's interests)	QUESTION 3 (Is it essential for the Council to be involved in the policy making or management of the Outside Body)	QUESTION 4 (Can the Body be considered to be part of the Local Government process)
for Housing & Planning Forum bringing together all those involved in housing regeneration and planning on an equal footing to share information, debate the issues, influence policy and contribute to best practice. (Is subject to a merger with the RoyalTown Planning Institute) (1)	No – however it has traditionally given member support & facilities for hosting meetings.	Closely aligned with Councils' direct interests in the fields of housing and planning.	Not mandatory but beneficial to Council and the body.	On occasions the Government consults Room/RTPI on emerging policy & planning guidance.
South East Essex Economic Strategy (SEES) Liaison body between Essex, Castle Point, Rochford and Southend Council, local people, District and County Councillors and Thames Gateway. (1)	No	The body is there to help economic regeneration and improve the economy of South East Essex.	Not essential but the four local authorities work together.	Yes

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South Essex Environmental Protection Sub-Committee (SEEPS)					
Liaison between Local Authorities and Thameside Industries on environmental protection. (3)	No. There is no financial support from any of the members. Support is given in kind by members and officers time and by hosting meetings.	Does not provide a direct service – but the key objectives of working together to reduce pollution or improve environment is in line with direct interests.	All members are equal participants and need to participate fully if it is to function effectively and meet their needs.	Yes – All South Essex Authorities are represented and involved. Members find it gives them a wider perspective and the ability to contribute to finding sensible solutions to common problems.	
Warehouse Centre – Active Christian Trust To promote and direct the work of the above youth facility. (2)	Yes initially, but not in the last 8 years.	Unsure of the definition, but the Centre is used extensively by the community, especially young people.	Not essential although input is always welcome.	No	
BLOCK 4 – THOSE BODIE	BLOCK 4 – THOSE BODIES APPEARING TO MEET AT LEAST 1 OF THE COUNCIL'S CRITERIA				
Castle Point & Rochford Police Community Consultative Group					
Consultation between the Police Authority, Police and members of the public.	Νο	It is really a service for the Community as a whole.	No policy making or management involved.	Not really.	
(1)					

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Essex Heritage Trust				
To help safeguard or preserve for the benefit of the public such land, buildings, objects or records that may be illustrative of, or significant to the history of the County, or which enhance an understanding of the characteristics of the County. (1)	Yes, Period 1989-1994. £5000 per year equalling £25,000.	No	No	No
Roche Care Users Group				
To oversee the management of the Roche Care Centre. (1 vacancy)	No	The Roche Care Centre is owned by Springboard Housing Association and let on a session basis to voluntary groups, charities etc. It is first for the use of groups who operate within the District Council area of Rochford. However, not all of the users come from within the District Council area.	No	No

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Rochford & District Chamber of Trade & Commerce				
To represent the view of traders in particular in negotiation with local government bodies. (1)	Not as a subsidy for running costs. However, through the bid process, schemes from the chamber considered acceptable to receive funding from the Council, e.g CCTV in Rochford Town Centre and toward Market Town Health check.	No	No	Yes – Hopefully our views are seriously considered when drawing up policy on Employment, Planning, Transport and Town Centres.
Rochford Health for All 2000 Action Team				
To promote the health of residents of the Rochford District; to work collaboratively with statutory and voluntary agencies to the benefit of local people. (1 vacancy)	Some years ago, but not recently. Successful bids have been made to Essex County Council, PCT and Social Services. Looking to future plans, it is likely RDC could be approached.	Would hope objectives are aligned to the best interests of Rochford District residents. Have recently been working across boundaries with Castle Point.	Links are important and input valuable.	(No comment).

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Rural Community Council of Essex				
RCCE's mission is; 'To build stronger communities in the rural areas of Essex by making project and policy expertise available to local communities and strategic authorities'. (1)	No – Rochford is the only local authority in Essex, aside from those with no discernible rural areas, which has never contributed to either our core or project funding.	RCCE works with local groups to promote community regeneration and renewal in the rural parts of the district. Our current projects/service include village halls advice service, fieldwork support for village Appraisals/Parish Plans, funding for rural transport initiatives through the Essex Rural Transport Partnership, and promotion of the Countryside Agency's Vital Village grants programme. At present 12 Rochford Parish Councils, and 6 village/community halls are members of RCCE.	It is not essential, but we are keen to work in partnership with all local authorities in Essex. Essex district councils nominate 2 representatives to serve on RCCE's Executive Committee via the AEA.	No – we are an independent registered charity.
Sanctuary Housing Association				
To monitor performance, agree action and strategy of East Anglian Area Office. (1)	Not for many years. May have provided some finance to build houses or supported a bid to housing corporation, but not for a long time.	Provides social housing in Rochford area.	Not essential.	No

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Southend District Community Health Council					
Statutory Body charged with representing the interests of the local community in the NHS. (3 vacancies)	No	Provides professional help with complaints about the NHS.	Yes – Statutory Body.	No	
Southend District Mental Health Association					
The provision of support services, welfare benefits and advice, 3 group homes and a drop in service.	No	The Association provides a direct service to council tax payers which is funded by Essex County Council, Social Services.	No	No	
(2 - Includes one vacancy)					
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Bradwell Local Community Liaison Council					
To liaise with local organisation on matters arising from the operation/management of Bradwell Power Station.	Not applicable.	No	No – however the Council should remain aware of our activities.	No	
(2)					

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Crouch Valley Scout District				
To support scouting in the District.	No	No	No	No
(1)	(£100 to 1 st Ashingdon Scout Group)			