

ROCHFORD DISTRICT COUNCIL



Policy & Finance Committee

agenda

Date

7 December 2005

Time

7.30pm

Place

Council Chamber
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Cllr C A Hungate

Cllr J R F Mason

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Cllr Mrs C A Weston

Terms of Reference

To exercise the Council's functions in relation to all matters not otherwise reserved to Full Council or the responsibility of another Committee with particular reference to:

- Finance
- Council Budget
- Support Services

Including the formulation and implementation of the policy framework and management of the budget in respect of these functions.

The Council's vision is to make Rochford the place of choice in the County to live, work and visit.

The Council's principal aims are to:-

- Provide quality, cost effective services
- Work towards a safer and more caring community
- Promote a green and sustainable environment
- Encourage a thriving local economy
- Improve the quality of life for people in our District
- Maintain and enhance our local heritage

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| 9 | Progress on Decisions | 9.1 |
| 10 | Budget Strategy 2006/07 | 10.1 |
| | To consider the report of the Corporate Director (Finance and External Services) on the Government Grant aspect of the Budget Strategy 2006/07 | |
| 11 | Community Transport Partnership Agreement | 11.1 |
| | To consider the report of the Head of Revenue and Housing Management on the Community Transport Partnership Agreement. | |

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| 12 | Taxi Voucher Scheme | 12.1 |
| | <p>To consider the report of the Head of Revenue and Housing Management which provides an update on the operation of the Taxi Voucher Scheme.</p> | |
| 13 | Wyvern Community Transport Trust – Acceptance of Taxi Vouchers | 13.1 |
| | <p>To consider the report of the Head of Revenue and Housing Management on a request from Wyvern Community Transport Trust to accept Taxi Vouchers on the Community Bus.</p> | |
| 14 | Implementing Electronic Government | 14.1 |
| | <p>To consider the report of the Head of Administrative and Member Services on the Implementing Electronic Government 2005 Return.</p> | |
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| | <p>To consider the report of the Corporate Director (Finance and External Services) on amendments to the scheme of Members' Allowances to come into effect from 1 April 2006.</p> | |
| 17 | National Non-Domestic Rate – Write-Offs | 17.1 |
| | <p>To consider the report of the Corporate Director (Finance and External Services which seeks approval to write off three National Non Domestic Rate debts.</p> | |



Paul Warren
Chief Executive