## ISSUES ARISING FROM FINANCE & PROCEDURES OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

## 1 PROCUREMENT AGENCY FOR ESSEX

- 1.1 This item of business was referred to the Policy & Finance Committee by the Finance & Procedures Overview & Scrutiny Committee on 25 October 2005 with a recommendation that membership of the Procurement Agency for Essex continues into 2007/8 and that provision is made in the five year rolling budget strategy.
- 1.2 A copy of the associated officer's report to the Committee is attached at Appendix A. Paragraphs 4.1 to 4.8 relate to the Procurement Agency.
- 1.3 Members of the Finance & Procedures Overview & Scrutiny Committee noted that the Authority gained limited value from the Centre of Regional Excellence. This Council was part of the Eastern Region, run by Norfolk County Council on behalf of the Office of the Deputy Prime Minister, but membership of the Procurement Agency for Essex had proved more useful.
- 1.4 It is proposed that the Committee **RESOLVES**

That membership of the Procurement Agency for Essex continues into 2007/8 and that provision is made in the five year rolling budget strategy. (CD(F&ES))

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## **Background Papers:-**

None

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