ROCHFORD DISTRICT COUNCIL



Community Services Committee

agenda

Chairman's callover – 6.30pm in the Chairman's Briefing Room

Date

2 September 2003

Time

7.30pm

Place

Council Chamber Civic Suite Rayleigh

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Members of the Community Services Committee

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Conservative Group Cllr J E Grey Cllr C A Hungate Cllr C G Seagers

Labour Group Cllr D A Weir

Liberal Democrat Group Cllr R A Oatham

Non-Group Members Cllr Mrs H L A Glynn

Terms of Reference

To exercise the Council's functions in relation to:

- Recreation
- Culture
- Housing (public and private sector)
- Leisure
- Public Protection
- Emergency Planning
- Tourism
- Community Safety

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

Corporate Objectives

To provide quality cost effective services

To work towards a safer and more caring community

To promote a green and sustainable environment

To encourage a thriving local economy

To improve the quality of life for people in our District

To maintain and enhance our local heritage and culture

1 Apologies for Absence

2 Substitutes

3 Non-Members attending

4 Minutes of the Meeting held on 1 July 2003

To approve, subject to the inclusion of the following bullet point to Minute 304:-

• Paragraph 7(c) – amend the wording to read:-

"Owner-occupiers who are disabled (or their carers) or who are on a low income who receive a qualifying benefit.

A qualifying benefit in respect of 7(c) is:

Income Support which includes a disability premium Council Tax Benefit which includes a disability premium Housing Benefit which includes a disability premium Child Tax Credit (where household income is less than £14,2000) Working Tax Credit (where household income is less than £14,200)"

5 To Receive Declarations of Interest

- 6 Questions on Notice
- 7 Motions on Notice
- 8 Issues arising from Overview and Scrutiny

| 9 | Meeting the Needs of Older People in Essex - Consultation | 9.1 |
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| | To consider the report of the Head of Housing, Health and Community Care which apprises Members of a consultation being carried out by Essex County Council in respect of its remaining care homes for older people. | |
| 10 | Former Play Space at Tylney Avenue, Rochford | 10.1 |
| | To consider the report of the Head of Housing, Health & Community Care which advises Members of the proposals received from two Housing Associations for the development of housing on the former playspace at Tylney Avenue, Rochford. | |
| 11 | Genetically Modified Crops | 11.1 |
| | To consider the report of the Head of Housing, Health and Community Care which comments on the specific requests made at Council and suggests possible policy decisions. | |
| 12 | Removal Expenses and Home Loss Payments | 12.1 |
| | To consider the report of the Head of Revenue and Housing Management which invites Members to consider a fixed sum allowance for those tenants subject to the decanting exercise at Hardwick House Sheltered Housing Scheme in Rayleigh. | |
| 13 | Housing Development on Council owned land by Swan Housing Group | 13.1 |
| | To consider the report of the Head of Housing, Health & | |

Community Care which seeks Members approval for the former transfer of Council land to Swan Housing Group.

14 Museums in Essex Membership

To consider the report of Corporate Director (Finance & External Services) which seeks Members agreement to Rochford District Council joining the Museums in Essex Service.

Paul Warren Chief Executive

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