

NOTICE OF POLICY DECISIONS

The Policy and Finance Committee made the following decisions at its meeting on 9 February 2006:-

<u>Item</u>	<u>Decision</u>
Progress on Decisions – The Local Authorities (Indemnity for Members and Officers) Order 2005	That a further letter be sent to the Local Government Association expressing this Council's disappointment that a response has not yet been received on the question of whether an indemnity in law for elected Members representing their authorities on outside bodies generally and regional assemblies in particular should be pursued. (CD(LP&A))
CCTV Evaluation (Minute 45/06)	That this item be removed from the schedule on the basis that officers will bring forward a full Committee report in the new Municipal Year. (CE)
Key Plans and Actions for 2005/06: Performance Update (Minute 46/06)	That the progress made to date be noted. (CE)
Essex Local Area Agreement (Minute 47/06)	<ol style="list-style-type: none">(1) That the Council's participation and signatory to both the Essex Local Area Agreement and the draft Children and Young People's Plan be agreed.(2) That authority be delegated to the Chief Executive, in consultation with the Leader, to agree any necessary minor wording changes or commitments on behalf of the Council. (CE)

Item**Decision****Local Strategic Partnerships – Consultation**

(Minute 48/06)

That the comments set out in Appendix B of the report be endorsed as the basis of this Council's response to the Governments consultation on Local Strategic Partnerships. (CE)

Smoking Room at Civic Suite, Rayleigh

(Minute 49/06)

That arrangements be made for the Members' Smoking Room at the Civic Suite, Rayleigh to be converted to a Members' office facility (to include a booking arrangement and lockable cabinets for use by Groups as identified in the report) and for the Members' Room at Rochford to be re-designated as office accommodation. Usage levels of the Members' office facility to be monitored over a six-month period. (HAMS)

Succession Management

(Minute 50/06)

- (1) That, on an exceptional basis related to a need for extra support and contribution to service delivery, a payment of the amount identified at paragraph 2.4 of the exempt report be made to the post holder identified in the report. The payment to be made on a staged monthly basis, concluding on 31 March 2007.
- (2) That any future instances of risk to service delivery associated with staffing be reported to Committee on a case-by-case basis. (CE(F&ES))

Early Retirement

(Minute 51/06)

- (1) That the post holder identified in the exempt report be retired from the Council's employment in the interests of the efficiency of the service.
- (2) That the post be advertised at the Scale identified in the exempt report. (HHHCC)

Staffing Matters

(Minute 52/06)

That the current levels of vacancies, long-term sickness and maternity absence be noted. (CE)

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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