

ROCHFORD DISTRICT COUNCIL



Finance & General Purposes Committee

agenda

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

Date

7 December 2000

Time

7.30pm

Place

Council Chamber
Civic Suite
Rayleigh

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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

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- 1 Apologies for Absence**
- 2 Substitutes**
- 3 Non-Members attending**
- 4 To Receive Declarations of Interest**
- 5 Minutes of the Meeting held on 12 October 2000**
- 6 Petitions and Deputations**
- 7 Public Question Time**
- 8 Outstanding Issues**
 - (1) Grants to Outside Bodies (Minute 42/00)**

A report outlining alternative, more appropriate, budgetary sources and financial support for the Business Centre Enterprise Agency is being submitted to the February Meeting of the Corporate Resources Sub-Committee. (HFS)
 - (2) Compulsory Purchase Order for Land at Etheldore/Wood Avenue, Hockley (Minute 232(6)/00)**

Action pending developer's continuing negotiations. (HLS)
- 9 Report of Urgent Action**
 - (1) Street Trading Consent – Fee Waiver and Future Policy on Applications**

Report of the Head of Housing, Health and Community Care.

9.1.1

	(2) Essex County Council – New Political Structures	9.2.1
	Report of the Chief Executive	
10	Recommendations of Parent Committees	
	(1) Transportation and Environmental Services – 16 November 2000	None
	(2) Community Services – 21 November 2000	To follow
	(3) Audit Services – 30 November 2000	To follow
11	Minutes of Sub-Committees	
	(1) Leaders – 7 November 2000	11.1.1
	(2) Structural and Procedural Review – 14 November 2000	11.2.1
	(3) Corporate Resources – 28 November 2000	To follow
	(6) Member Budget Monitoring – 29 November 2000	To follow
12	Setting the Council Tax Base 2001/2002	12.1
	To consider the report of the Corporate Director (Finance & External Services) on determining the tax base for each individual Parish or Town Council within the District.	
13	Modernising Local Government Finance Green Paper	13.1
	To consider the report of the Corporate Director (Finance & External Services) suggesting responses to the Green Paper.	
14	Commission for Racial Equality – Standards for Local Government	14.1
	To consider the report of the Head of Administrative and Member Services inviting Members to adopt the Commission for Racial Equality Standards for Local Government.	
15	National Holocaust Day	
	To consider the report of the Chief Executive on how this	

Council will take part in National Holocaust Day.

The report is to follow.

16 National Non-Domestic Rating – Discretionary Rate Relief – Sections 47/48 Local Government Finance Act 1988 16.1

To consider the report of the Head of Revenue and Housing Management containing recommendations following the annual review of all Discretionary Rate Relief cases.

17 Best Value Review – Document Production

To consider the interim report of the Head of Administrative and Member Services on work undertaken to date by the Document Production Best Value Review Group which is to follow.

The report is to follow.

18 Asset Review – Parish Transfers – Malvern Road, Laburnham Grove and Wood Avenue, Hockley 18.1

To consider the report of the Head of Legal Services on Parish responses to the proposed transfer of play areas and open spaces and the terms of transfer.

19 Rayleigh CAB – Nomination to Outside Body 19.1

To consider the report of the Head of Administrative and Member Services on the appointment of a representative to Rayleigh Citizens Advice Bureau.

20 Contract Standing Orders – Monitoring Report 20.1

To receive the report of the Head of Revenue and Housing Management on the use of delegated powers.

21 Exclusion of the Press and Public

To agree that the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the remaining business on the grounds that exempt information as defined in paragraph 9 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 would be disclosed.

22 IT Infrastructure Recabling 22.1

To consider the exempt report of the Head of Administrative and Member Services providing an update on the condition of the cabling for the Council's IT network.

23 50-54 West Street, Rochford 23.1

To consider the exempt report of the Head of Planning Services outlining options for seeking a solution to the problem of dilapidated buildings at 50-54 West Street, Rochford.

24 Treasury Management Adviser

To consider the exempt report of the Head of Financial Services on the appointment of a Treasury Management Adviser for the Authority.

The report is to follow.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Paul Warren', with a large, stylized initial 'P'.

Paul Warren
Chief Executive