

## **TOWN MAPS FOR ROCHFORD**

### **1 SUMMARY**

- 1.1 This report updates Members on progress with respect to the provision of town maps for Rochford.

### **2 INTRODUCTION**

- 2.1 At the meeting of this Committee on 17th July 2003 it was resolved that a decision on this matter be held in abeyance pending further information on funding/supply possibilities.

### **3 FUNDING**

- 3.1 Rochford Parish Council confirmed in writing on 16th October 2003 that they are prepared to fund 50% of the cost of the shortfall, i.e., £280. A verbal confirmation has now been received from the Rochford District Chamber of Trade & Commerce to fund the other 50%, thus covering the total shortfall.

### **4 ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS**

- 4.1 The town maps must be to a high standard of presentation to reflect the Rochford Conservation Area.

### **5 RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS**

- 5.1 The artwork has been completed at a cost of £800 and, as a result, £1,753 of the Cory grant remains. The cost of one sign is £1,815, plus installation by Highways Department of between £300-£500. This makes a grand total of £2,315, which does not include carriage of the sign. There is then a shortfall of £560 for the provision of a single sign. The shortfall can now be covered by contributions from the Parish Council and the Chamber of Trade.

### **6 PARISH IMPLICATIONS**

- 6.1 Rochford Parish Council has agreed to fund 50% of the cost of the shortfall for the provision of two town signs.

### **7 RECOMMENDATION**

- 7.1 It is proposed that the Committee **RESOLVES**

That, subject to Members' comments on siting, arrangements are made to provide one town map in Rochford.

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**Background Papers:** Letter from Rochford Parish Council dated 16<sup>th</sup> October 2003

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