NOTICE OF POLICY DECISIONS

The Policy & Finance Committee made the following decision/s at its meeting on 6 February 2003:-

Item	Decision
Regional Assemblies (Preparations Bill) (Minute 49)	(1) That the officer's response to the Soundings Consultation as outlined in Annex A of the report be endorsed.
	(2) That the officer's comments in connection with the consultation on the guidance to be given to the Boundary Committee be endorsed, with further comments in relation to the role of Quality Parish Councils and better guidance in relation to media coverage and announcements through the local press.
	(3) That a copy of the responses referred to in (1) and (2) above be sent to both local Members of Parliament and also the Local Government Association. (CE)
Securing Improvement in Local Government (Minute 50)	(1) That the Council supports the Local Government Association's Improvement in Local Government Campaign.
	(2) That the Leader signs the commitment pledge, as follows:
	"I support the LGA's proposed commitment to working with its Members to help Councils to secure continuous improvement in their services to local people. Improvement is best delivered from within the sector and as Council Leader I fully support the principle that every Council should be prepared to play its part in the improvement process either by voluntarily providing support to or voluntarily receiving it from other Councils. I will recommend that my Council participates fully in the improvement agenda." (CE)

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Land at Warwick Drive, Rochford (Minute 51)	That this Council retains the piece of land, in Warwick Drive, Rochford, details of which are contained within the exempt report. (HRHM)
Staffing Matters (Minute 52)	That the current level of vacancies and long-term sickness absence be noted. (CE)

The above decision/s will come into force, and may then be implemented, on the expiry of five working days after the date of this Notice, unless called in by an Overview and Scrutiny Committee or any three Members of the Council.

Signed ……………………………………………………….
              Head of Administrative and Member Services

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