

NOTICE OF POLICY DECISIONS

The Community Services Committee made the following decisions at its meeting on 4 October 2005:-

<u>Item</u>	<u>Decision</u>
Public Health Report 2004/05 (Minute 361/05)	That, whilst recognising that there are matters of description/definition worthy of further clarification within the 2004/05 report, the continuation and development of current cross organisational working should be endorsed. (HHHCC)
Progress on Decisions (Minute 362/05) Woodland Strategy Resources	That a bid for funding for the post of Environmental Liaison Officer be included in forthcoming budget strategy considerations. (CD(F&ES))
Woodlands	That authority be delegated to the Corporate Director (Finance & External Services), in consultation with the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Committee, to make arrangements for the introduction of a suitable advertising board at the Cherry Orchard Jubilee Country Park to facilitate the identification of the sponsors of the trees being planted in commemoration of the Battle of Trafalgar. Press releases to be issued as appropriate. (CD(F&ES))
Development of Council Owned Land (Minute 363/05)	<ol style="list-style-type: none">(1) That the revised proposal for ten units of social rented housing at Tylney Avenue, Rochford, including two bungalows suitable for wheelchair users, twenty one on site parking spaces and six further neighbourhood parking spaces, be approved.(2) That the land at Twyford Avenue/Mercer Avenue, Great Wakering be transferred to the Swan Housing Group at nil cost subject to the necessary planning permission being obtained and such terms as the Head of Legal Services considers appropriate to secure the provision of the approved housing scheme. (HHHCC)(HLS)
Bids for Housing Corporation Funding (Minute 364/05)	That the proposals identified in the Appendix to the report be supported in principle. (HHHCC)

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Response to “Youth Matters” Green Paper (Minute 365/05)	<p>(1) That, subject to inclusion of the following additional comments, the suggested responses set out at Appendix B of the report be endorsed :-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Employment with training should be identified as one of the issues facing young people. • There should be more emphasis on the role of young people, parents and carers. • Any reward cards should be significant and valuable. • Support should only be offered by trained professionals. • Proposals need to be adequately resourced. • It is hoped that young people can be fully involved as consultees wherever possible. <p>(2) That officers utilise the Members Bulletin to consult all Members of the Council on the proposed final response in case any Member wishes to make any further comment. (CD(F&ES))</p>
Consultation – Skateboard Half Pipe, Clements Hall (Minute 366/05)	<p>That, in the light of a limited consultation response, the Council proceed with the replacement of the half pipe skateboard facilities. (CD(F&ES))</p>
Former Park School Site – Additional Playing Field Land for Essex County Council (Minute 367/05)	<p>That the piece of land identified at Appendix A of the report be transferred to Essex County Council for the purpose of being part of the new school's playing field, subject to the associated restrictive covenant providing that this land will be transferred back to the District Council should it be no longer required for the specific purposes of forming part of the school playing field and to the other terms and conditions identified in the report. (CD(F&ES))</p>
Request for Purchase of Land – Bullwood Road (Minute 368/05)	<p>That the land to the rear of 10-32 Bullwood Road, Hockley be retained as a buffer strip between the properties and the playarea and that the necessary action be taken against those who have encroached on to the area. (CD(F&ES))</p>

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Request to Use the Beacon at the Mill, Rayleigh for Christmas Lights (Minute 369/05)	That Rayleigh Town Council be allowed to use the Beacon as part of their Christmas Lighting celebrations this year at no charge on the basis that the actual costs associated with safety checks would be just under £300 and subject to any future similar use by the Town Council being charged at cost. The District Council to give consideration to any other requests for beacon usage on a case by case basis. (CD(F&ES))
Sheltered Housing Management and Annual Report (Minute 370/05)	That the report on Sheltered Housing Management and how it relates to best practice be noted. (HRHM)
Issues arising from Overview and Scrutiny – Sheltered Housing Review (Minute 371/05)	That proposals (1) to (5) as set out in the exempt report of the Community Overview and Scrutiny Committee be agreed, subject to a Sub-Committee of this Committee being charged with the review activity identified under proposals (1) and (5). The Sub-Committee to comprise 5 Members (names to be confirmed) appointed on a non pro-rata basis and to draw on the experience gained by the Council’s Housing Best Value Sub-Committee. (HRHM)

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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