

PROGRESS ON DECISIONS

Item	Progress/Officer		
	Red	Amber	Green
Community Transport Agreement, Taxi Voucher Scheme and Wyvern Community Transport Trust – Deferred Reports (Minute 6/06)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
(a) Community Transport Partnership Agreement			
Resolved			
(1) That Rochford District Council enters into a five year funding agreement with Essex County Council.	Implemented		
(2) That Rochford District Council provide funding to the Wyvern Community Transport Scheme for the duration of the agreement. The funding to represent 66% of the Community Transport Grant received from Essex County Council and to be paid in one lump sum in April each year. This to be reflected in Appendix B of the agreement.	Implemented		
(3) That funding for taxi vouchers remains at £106,000 in the 2006/07 Budget. (HRHM)	Implemented		
(b) Taxi Voucher Scheme			
Resolved			
(1) That the current number and value of vouchers issued be maintained for 2006/07.	Implemented		

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Inclusion of the words ‘unless it is with the authority of the Council in order to implement a decision which the Council has made’ at the end of the fourth sentence in the first paragraph. Inclusion of the term ‘and/or’ in Section 1 (after 1(a)). Revision of the report back requirement under Section 3 to reflect the current position whereby appointees should report twice per year into the Members’ Bulletin. (HLS) 	Implemented Implemented Implemented		
<p>The Local Authorities (Indemnity for Members and Officers) Order 2004 (Minute 45(2)/06)</p> <p>Resolved</p> <p>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))</p>	Red	Amber	Green
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Implemented. Matter considered further at last meeting.		
<p>Essex Local Area Agreement (Minute 47/06)</p> <p>Resolved</p> <p>(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.</p>	Red	Amber	Green
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Local Area Agreement document likely to be signed off by Government by 24 March. RDC will then play a part in implementation in some of the key target areas.		

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(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)			
<p>Local Strategic Partnerships – Consultation (Minute 48/06)</p> <p>Resolved</p> <p>That the comments set out in Appendix B of the report be endorsed as the basis of this Council’s response to the Government’s consultation on Local Strategic Partnerships. (CE)</p>	Red	Amber	Green
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Response sent to ODPM consultation paper.		
<p>Smoking Room at Civic Suite, Rayleigh (Minute 49/06)</p> <p>Resolved</p> <p>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)</p>	Red	Amber	Green
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Rochford room redesignated. Rayleigh room cleaned/decorated and phone/IT connections in place. Carpeting imminent. Full facility will be operative for new municipal year.		

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Succession Management (Minute 50/06)	Red	Amber	Green
Resolved	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<p>(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.</p> <p>(2) That any future instances of risk to service delivery associated with staffing be reported to Committee on a case-by-case basis. (CD(F&ES))</p>	Superseded by recruitment events.		
Early Retirement (Minute 51/06)	Red	Amber	Green
Resolved	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>(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.</p> <p>(2) That the post be advertised at the Scale identified in the exempt report. (HHHCC)</p>	<p>Arrangements in hand for the postholder to leave the Council's employment early April 2006.</p> <p>The most appropriate structure for housing services is being considered as part of the LSVT project and also structural reorganisation following recent appointments. A report will be made to Council in April 2006.</p>		

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<p>From Full Council</p> <p>Development of Council Owned Land (Minute 600(I7)/03)</p> <p>Resolved</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> That the land designated in respect of the four sites be transferred to the Swan Housing Group at nil cost, subject to planning permission and: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> For the Tylney Avenue scheme – conclusion of the investigation into a possible covenant and any necessary statutory notice provisions relating to the former playspace. <p>On such terms and conditions as the Head of Legal Services considers appropriate in accordance with the general consent and to secure the provision of the approved housing scheme. (HHHCC/HLS)</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	<p>The three sites other than Tylney Avenue implemented.</p> <p>Release of covenant secured.</p> <p>Planning permission for revised scheme approved 26/1/06. Terms of transfer agreed, completion of transfer anticipated April 2006.</p>		
<p>Budget Strategy 2004/04 - 2008/09 (Minute 46/04)</p> <p>Resolved</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> That, subject to full funding being available from external sources, officers progress the introduction of a free and independent housing advisory service within the District. (HHHCC) 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	<p>Options for the provision of this service are being investigated as part of the work to prepare for the housing stock ballot.</p>		

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<p>Organisational Review (Minute 422/05)</p> <p>Resolved</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To implement the structural changes outlined in the Chief Executive’s report to give an organisational structure from April 2006 as outlined in Appendix 1. 	Red	Amber	Green
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>Review of Overview and Scrutiny – Consideration of Proposals (Minute 525(6)(a)/05)</p> <p>Resolved</p> <p>(1) That, subject to Committee documentation produced during the transitional period providing an indication that the Development Control Committee was formerly named the Planning Services Committee and that the term ‘Town and Country Planning regulation’ includes the granting of planning permission, the Council’s Committee structure (including the names, size and terms of reference of Committees) be on the basis set out at the Appendix to the Committee report with effect from the new Municipal Year 2006/07.</p> <p>(2) That the Council consider a revised Constitution to take account of these changes. (CD(LPA))</p>	Red	Amber	Green
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	<p>Implementation underway. Overall structure now in place with new appointments being integrated into the organisation.</p> <p>To be implemented in the new Municipal Year</p> <p>On target to be completed by April 2006</p>		

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<p>Housing Stock Transfer – Selection of Partner Housing Association (Minute 19/06)</p> <p>Resolved</p> <p>That it be agreed that Hereward Housing Association is the preferred partner to establish Rochford Housing Association. (HRHM)</p>	Red	Amber	Green
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Implemented		
<p>Recruiting Issue – Head of Finance, Audit and Performance Management (Minute 20/06)</p> <p>Resolved</p> <p>That authority be delegated to the Chief Executive at his discretion to apply a market supplement to the post of Head of Finance, Audit and Process Management, as outlined in the exempt report. (CE)</p>	Red	Amber	Green
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Superseded by events.		
<p>Budget Strategy – 2006/07 (Minute 24/06)</p> <p>Resolved</p> <p>(1) That the revised estimates for 2005/06, as detailed in the report, be agreed.</p> <p>(2) That the core estimates for 2006/07, as detailed in the report, be agreed.</p> <p>(3) That the priorities identified for 2006/07, as detailed in the report, be agreed.</p> <p>(4) That the 2006/07 Council Tax for Rochford District Council be at 4.98%.</p>	Red	Amber	Green
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	All implemented		

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(5) That the schedule of fees and charges, as detailed in the report, be agreed. (6) That the capital programme, as detailed in the report, be agreed. (7) That the Housing Revenue Account, as detailed in the report, be agreed. (8) That the Council remaining in the Essex countywide concessionary travel scheme be agreed. (9) That £7,500 be set aside for graffiti removal. (HFS)			
Capital Strategy – 2006/07 (Minute 25/06) Resolved That the capital strategy be agreed. (HFS)	Red	Amber	Green
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Capital Strategy in place.		
Treasury Management and Annual Investment Strategy – 2006/07 (Minute 26/06) Resolved (1) That the Treasury Management Strategy Statement and Annual Investment Strategy, including the limits contained within the report, be agreed. (2) That the Chief Finance Officer undertakes the prudential borrowing, as outlined in the report.	Red	Amber	Green
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	Strategy in place. Prudential borrowing will be undertaken within authorisations.		

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(3) That the Authorised Limit and Operational Boundary for external debt, as laid down in the report, be agreed and that authority be delegated to the Chief Finance Officer, within the total limit for any individual year, to effect movement between the separately agreed limits for borrowing and other long term liabilities.	In place.		
(4) That authority be delegated to the Chief Finance Officer to add and remove counterparties, in line with the criteria agreed by Council on 27 January 2005. (HFS)	In place.		
Commissioning a Patient-led NHS – Formal Consultation (Minute 68(3)(a)/06) Resolved That the formal consultation on the reconfiguration of health service structures be considered by the Community Services Committee at its meeting on 2 March 2006. (HHHCC)	Red	Amber	Green
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Implemented. Decision confirmed to Essex Strategic Health Authority.		
Setting the Council Tax 2006/07 (Minute 69/06) Resolved (1) That the total for economic development is estimated at £102,300. (2) That the total for gross expenditure of the District together with the Parish precepts be £27,732,593. (3) That the total of income for the District Council be £17,134,300.	Red	Amber	Green
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Billing underway.		

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(4) That the total net expenditure of the District Council together with the Parishes be £10,598,293.	
(5) That the total of the sums payable into the general fund in respect of redistributed non-domestic rates, revenue support grant, together with adjustments from the collection fund, be £4,456,556.	
(6) That the budget requirement for the year of £10,598,293 less the net income receivable of £4,456,556 which, divided by the tax base of 30,707.27 is equal to £200.01, which is the basic amount of its Council Tax for the year.	
(7) That the total of Parish precepts included within the above is £893,657.	
(8) That the Council Tax relating to the District Council without Parish precepts is £170.91.	
(9) That the total tax for both District and Parishes be as set out in the schedule which is attached as Appendix A to the minutes. These sums are calculated as the basic amount of its Council Tax for the year for dwellings in those parts of its area to which one or more special items relate.	
(10) The sums given above for Band D but now shown in the particular valuations bands A-H are set out in the schedule attached as Appendix B to thee minutes.	
(11) The precepts issued to the Council in respect of Essex County Council, Essex Fire Authority and Essex Police Authority for each valuation band A-H as set out in the schedule as attached as Appendix C to thee minutes.	

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(12) The total Council Tax for the area for each valuation band A-H be as set out in Appendix D to these minutes. These are the amounts set as Council Tax for the year 2006/07. (HFS)			
<p>Key Policies and Actions for 2006/07 (Minute 70/07)</p> <p>Resolved</p> <p>(1) That the work programme for 2006/07, as set out in Appendices A, B and C and the public notification of its content, as outlined in the report, be agreed.</p> <p>(2) That those areas of work for consideration by the Review Committee, as outlined in Appendix D of the report, be agreed.</p> <p>(3) That the programme for the monitoring of the 2006/07 Budget and the development of the 2007/08 Budget framework, as outlined in Appendix E of the report, be noted. (CE)</p>	Red	Amber	Green
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Implementation of the work programme for 2006/07 already underway.		
<p>Royal Garden Party (Minute 71/06) (Minute 70/07)</p> <p>Resolved</p> <p>That Councillor T Livings and guest and Councillor Mrs L Hungate and guest be nominated as the four representatives to attend one of the Royal Garden Parties to be held in July 2006, using the Civic Car and driver. (CE)</p>	Red	Amber	Green
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Being Implemented.		

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