

## **Environmental Services Committee – 6 June 2002**

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Minutes of the meeting of the **Environmental Services Committee** held on **6 June 2002** when there were present:

Cllr Mrs L Hungate - Chairman

Cllr Mrs T J Capon  
Cllr R G S Choppen  
Cllr Mrs H L A Glynn  
Cllr J E Grey  
Cllr T Goodwin

Cllr G A Mockford  
Cllr C R Morgan  
Cllr R A Oatham  
Cllr C G Seagers  
Cllr Mrs M J Webster

### **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr M G B Starke.

### **NON-MEMBERS ATTENDING**

Cllr T Livings

### **DISTRICT OFFICERS PRESENT**

R Crofts – Corporate Director (Finance and External Services)  
G Woolhouse – Head of Housing, Health & Community Care  
S Fowler - Head of Administrative and Member Services  
A Wyatt – Committee Administrator

### **224 MINUTES**

The Minutes of the meeting held on 9 April 2002 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

### **225 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Cllr Mrs T J Capon declared a personal interest in the item "Stambridge Sewage Treatment Works Liaison Committee" (Minute 227) by virtue of living in Stambridge and also by being a Stambridge Parish Councillor.

Cllr Mrs M J Webster declared a personal interest in the item "Civic Amenity Site Update" (Minute 228) by virtue of being an Essex County Councillor.

### **226 ENVIRONMENTAL STATEMENT FOR BRADWELL NUCLEAR POWER STATION - CONSULTATION**

The Committee considered the report of the Head of Housing, Health and Community Care which sought Members comment on the Non-Technical Summary of the Environmental Statement for Bradwell Nuclear Power Station - Consultation.

Noting the consultation deadline with the Health and Safety Executive, and the three options being suggested for the decommissioning of Bradwell Nuclear Power Station, Members considered that the matter should be deferred for further information to be obtained by officers in order for a more informed view to be gained on the proposals.

In particular, Members wished for a full copy of the Environmental Statement for the decommissioning of Bradwell Nuclear Power Station to be made available. Further, noting option B was considered to be the preferred option of Magnox Electric plc, Members requested that further information should be obtained in relation to this option, regarding:-

- Security of the site from terrorist attack.
- The possibility of flooding.

The possibility of a Site Visit, or attendance at Committee by Magnox Electric Plc was mooted, although Members considered that the report should be brought back to the next meeting, when this point could be considered further.

#### **Resolved**

- (1) That a full copy of the Environmental Statement for the decommissioning of Bradwell Nuclear Power Station be obtained
- (2) That Magnox Electric be requested to provide further information relating to:
  - a. additional security measures, to minimise risk under Option B, from terrorist attack.
  - b. the possibility of flooding given the 100 year timetable for Option B.
- (3) That the matter be brought back to the meeting on 4 July for further consideration. (HHHCC)

### **227 STAMBRIDGE SEWAGE TREATMENT WORKS LIAISON COMMITTEE**

The Committee considered the report of the Head of Housing, Health and Community care which sought the appointment of 3 Member representatives to the Stambridge Sewage Treatment Works Liaison Committee for the current Municipal Year.

### **Resolved**

That Councillors Mrs T J Capon, T G Cutmore and Mrs M J Webster represent the Council on the Stambridge Sewage Treatment Works Liaison Committee for the Municipal year, and that attendance at these meetings be regarded as an approved duty. (HHHCC)

### **228 CIVIC AMENITY SITE UPDATE**

The Committee considered the report of the Corporate Director (Finance and External Services) which provided Members with details of Essex County Council's proposals for dealing with the local civic amenity charging issue which had arisen between Southend on Sea Borough Council and the remainder of Essex.

Noting the detail of Essex County Council's proposals, Members were disappointed that the matter could not be resolved locally and that such proposals were considered the only way forward on the matter. Further, Members wished for Essex County Council to provide this Authority with an update in relation to the provision of an additional civic amenity site in the East of the District following the closure of the civic amenity site in Great Wakering.

### **Resolved**

That Essex County Council be advised that this Authority supports the proposals put forward regarding the implementation of a new scheme at Castle Road Civic Amenity Site as detailed below: -

- Signs will be erected at Castle Road and local newspaper advertising will advise people in South East Essex that from a date yet to be determined, only residents of the Essex County Council area will be allowed to use Essex civic amenity sites freely. Leaflets will also be distributed at Castle Road.
- A charge of £3 per visit will be made to anyone unable to prove residency within the Essex County Council area. If an Essex County Council resident cannot provide documentation, a charge will be made but refunded by Essex County Council where proof is subsequently provided.
- The scheme will operate only at Castle Road, although Essex County Council will monitor the use of other sites by non – Essex residents.
- Essex County Council will continue to refund charges incurred by Essex residents when using Southend on Sea Borough Council civic amenity sites.

(CD(FES))

### **229 ESSEX COUNTY COUNCIL TRAINING DAY - HIGHWAYS LIABILITY AND RISK MANAGEMENT**

The Committee considered the report of the Corporate Director (Finance and External Services) which sought a Member nomination to attend a training day on 17 June on the topic of Liability and Risk Management. Endorsing the proposal for a Member and an Officer to attend the course, it was noted that the Chairman was unavailable on this date and it was therefore agreed that the Vice Chairman should attend. Further, Members requested that a report or short Members Bulletin Item should be produced after the training to apprise all Members of the course content.

#### **Resolved**

That Councillor J E Grey and an Officer represent the Council at the Highways Liability and Risk Management Training Day, and that this be regarded as an approved duty. (CD(FES))

The Meeting closed at 8.05 pm

Chairman \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_