PROGRESS ON DECISIONS

	Item	Progress
From	Former Finance & General Purposes Committee	
50-54	West Street, Rochford (Minute 423/00)	
Reso	lved	
•	That Officers continue to discuss the options for a suitable renovation and redevelopment scheme with the owners within defined parameters based on the information contained in the report with any initial proposals relating to indicative use and planning application/conservation consent to be considered by Committee in the first instance. (HPS)	An Appeal has been lodged against the Council's decision in respect of application number 02/00813/FUL. The hearing will take place in February 2004.
From	Policy and Finance Committee	
Land	to Rear of 122 Ashingdon Road (Min 598/02)	
Reso	Ived	
•	That the land be sold to the owner of 122 Ashingdon Road at market value, with the provision that the land be used solely for the extension of the garden. (HRHM)	Implemented.
Local	Authority Social Housing Grant (Minute 184/03)	
Reso	Ived	
•	That this Council continues with schemes 1 to 3 as detailed in the report even if not fully supported through the Local Authority Social Housing Grant (LASHG) process.	

Item	Progress
That a further report be considered at a future date on the revised priorities of the Capital Programme. (HFS)	To be considered as part of the budget strategy.
Hockley Community Centre (Minute 330/03)	
Resolved	
That there should be an evening Member meeting with Hockley Parish Council, comprising 3 Members from Hockley Parish Council and the following 3 Members of this Council:	Meeting on hold. Further correspondence with Hockley Parish Council.
 Cllr K H Hudson Cllr Mrs L Hungate Cllr P F A Webster (CD(F&ES)) 	
Application for Waiver of Public Entertainment Licence Fees - Village Fair, Great Wakering (Minute 331/03)	
Resolved	
That the Public Entertainment Licence fees be waived with respect to the Great Wakering village fair, but give notice that this is likely to change for future events. (HHHCC)	Implemented.
Housing Benefit Performance Standards (Minute 332/03)	
Resolved	
That consideration of the new assessment be deferred until October 2003 to allow Officers time to carry out the necessary work. (HRHM)	New Performance Standards and guidance under consideration with external consultants. Some strategic weaknesses identified. Report being prepared for 13 November 2003 Committee meeting.

Item	Progress
From Full Council	
Estimate for new Footpath and Land Drainage – Sweyne Park (Min 376/02)	
Resolved	
That additional interest tables and additional wild flower planting should take place around the area with improved signage being provided at footpath explaining the reasons why the area was not regularly mown. (CD(F&ES))	Paths, drainage and seeding completed. Vandal resistant signage under review to be in place by end October.
Rochford District Replacement Local Plan - Cherry Orchard brick Works, Rochford (Minute 294/03)	
Resolved	
That a 6 hectare site comprising the Cherry Orchard Brickworks site and adjacent land be shown on the earliest possible Deposit Rochford District Local Plan proposals map for the provision of a Diagnostic and Treatment Hospital only after the Southend Hospital Trust makes a definite commitment to acquire the site. Then a new policy as outlined in the report of the Head of Planning Services to the Environmental Services Committee be incorporated in Chapter 10 of the Plan. (HPS)	The Primary Care Trust is undertaking a public consultation on two shortlisted sites, including the Brickwork. The closing date for responses is 10 October 2003 and a report will be considered by the Community Services Committee on 30 September.
Local Service Agreement with the County Council (Minute 296/03)	
Resolved	
That the District Council agree in principle to the signing of a Local Service Agreement to advance closer working relationships between the District and the County in the areas outlined, subject to the Officer comments in the Chief Executive's report. (CE)	Agreement yet to be progressed to final stages.

	Ite	em	Progress
Appointment to Remaining Vacancies on Outside bodies (Minute 297/03)			
Reso	olved		
(1)	That appointments be made to out	side bodies as follows:-	Implemented.
	Consortium of Waste Collection Authorities	Councillor C R Morgan (appointee)	
	Relate South Essex	Councillor Mrs B J Wilkins (appointee)	
	Rochford & Castle Point Community Legal Service Partnership	Councillor C R Morgan (appointee)	
	Rochford & Rayleigh Citizens Advice Bureau Management Committee	Councillor Mrs S A Harper (appointee)	
	Association of Essex Authorities Community Safety Members' Steering Committee	Councillor Mrs H L A Glynn (substitute)	
(2)		T Livings as the Member representative sport Trust Board be endorsed. (HAMS)	Implemented.

	Item	Progress	
Park Sports Centre - Detailed Costings (Minute 298/03)		_	
Resolved			
That next stage work proceed on the basis that the following mix of facilities are included:-		Working group set up for implementation of scheme.	
•	A single court sports hall, including provision for basketball, badminton, volleyball and five-a-side football. Three squash courts. Aerobics studio. Fitness suite. Creche. Outdoor floodlit netball and tennis courts. Café/bar area. Indoor bowls hall. A reception point, changing rooms, toilets and car parking. Accommodation for a healthy living centre. Skateboard park. (CD(F&ES))		
Com	mittee Minutes and Reports (Minute 364/03)		
Disposal of Old Ship Lane Public Convenience and Car Park - Further Issues (Minutes 355)			
Resc	blved	A report requesting first resolution approval for officers to	
(1)	That the Old Ship Lane public convenience be demolished and redeveloped for car parking purposes to provide a total of approximately 10 spaces to the rear of the Old Ship public house.	apply for Conservation Area Consent to demolish the public conveniences in Old Ship Lane and planning consent to redevelop the site for additional car parking will be considered by the Community Services Committee at its meeting to be held on 30 September 2003.	

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(2)	That the car park be brought within the Council's Car Parking Order and that the spaces be designated as paying spaces, with a maximum permitted stay of 2 hours.	Subject to Planning consent.
(3)	That the above be financed from within the existing Capital programme. (CD(F&ES))	
Finar	nce Best Value Review (Minute 357)	
Reso	lved	
•	That officers be instructed to initiate negotiations with regard to forming a partnership for the delivery of the national non domestic rates service.	Discuss with other authorities taking part.
•	That the Head of Financial Services be instructed to report in December with proposals for improvements to the payroll and personnel services. (CD(F&ES))	In hand.
Code	of Corporate Governance (Minute 358)	
Reso	lved	
•	That a Training & Development Support officer be appointed. (CD(LP&A))	New officer appointed and in post from 6 October 2003.

	Item	Progress
Review of Committee Structure (Minute 359)		
Resolved		
(1)	That the use of the scoping form be introduced at the start of each policy development/review.	All implemented/ongoing.
(2)	That each Overview & Scrutiny Committee should consider the most appropriate venue for its work.	
(3)	That the use of site visits and expert witnesses be considered as appropriate.	
(4)	That the broadcasting of Council meetings on the website be pursued when cost-effective technology can be identified.	
(5)	That further training in Overview & Scrutiny be arranged for Members.	
(6)	That specific budget provision of £5,000 for Overview & Scrutiny be considered as part of the draft 2004/05 budget.	
(7)	That all internal audit reports be considered by the Finance & Procedures Overview & Scrutiny Committee in the first instance. (HAMS)	
Signage in the Council Chamber (Minute 360)		
Resolved		
That improved signage, as detailed within the report, be purchased for the Council Chamber. (HAMS)		Implemented.

	Item	Progress	
Rayleigh Market Review (Minute 361)			
Reso	olved		
(1)	That at the present time the market be retained within the Market Car Park, Rayleigh.	Implemented.	
(2)	That the licence be renewed for a period of 7 years within a relevant area which allows for the retention of car parking throughout the week on the western part of the site and subject to a workable scheme being agreed which addresses the pedestrian and health and safety issues. (HLS)	Scheme being prepared.	
Moti	ons on Notice (Minute 365/03)		
Furn	iture Re-Cycling Scheme		
Reso	olved		
That the Motion stands referred to the Community Services Committee to report to Full Council by 31 December 2003. (CD(F&ES))		Report being prepared for presentation to the Community Services Committee on 4 November 2003.	
A Community Plan for Rochford District (Minute 368/03)			
Reso	plved		
That Council defer giving its views on the key priorities to be addressed through the Community Strategy until after the consultation is completed. (CE)		Awaiting conclusion of consultation period.	

	Item	Progress
Civil Contingencies Bill (Minute 369/03)		
Resc	lved	
(1)	That the District Council welcomes the spirit of the Civil Contingency Bill, but requires clarification of the execution of the proposed statutory duties, given the ambiguity raised between the Bill and the supporting documentation.	All Implemented.
(2)	That this view be expressed formally to Central Government within the consultation framework.	
(3)	That a copy of the Council's response be sent to both the Local Government Association and the two local MP's. (CE)	
Beac	on Council Scheme - Round 5 (Minute 370/03)	
Resc	lved	
(1)	That expressions of interest be submitted in connection with Benefits administration and Crime and Disorder Partnerships under the Beacon Council Scheme Initiative.	Joint bid submitted with Essex County Council and other Districts in respect of Crime and Disorder. A report on Benefits Administration being submitted to Committee in November when status of a bid can be re-evaluated.
(2)	That, in connection with Benefits Administration, officers complete the assessment work against the revised performance framework criteria before determining whether a bid should then be made.	Troverniser when status of a sid can self e evaluated.
(3)	That, in connection with the Crime and Disorder Partnership, the support of other Essex Districts and the County Council be sought in making a joint bid submission. (CE)	

Item	Progress
District Youth Strategy Group (Minute 372/03)	
Resolved	
That Cllrs K A Gibbs and T Livings be this Council's Member representatives on the District Youth Strategy Group. (HAMS)	Implemented.