

NOTICE OF POLICY DECISIONS

The Community Services Committee made the following decisions at its meeting on 2 July 2002:-

Item

Decision

Issues arising from Community Overview and Scrutiny Committee – 18 June 2002 – Minute 242

That the One-bedroom Aged Person designated flats set out below be released for General Occupation:-

Shoebury Road, Great Wakering – 4 one-bedroom flats (2 ground floor and 2 first floor)

Evergreens, Barling – 8 one-bedroom flats (4 ground-floor and 4 first-floor)

Rodwells, Little Wakering – 8 one-bedroom flats (4 ground-floor and 4 first-floor)

Sutton Road, Rochford – 4 one-bedroom flats (2 ground-floor and 2 first-floor)

Warwick Drive, Rochford – 2 one-bedroom flats (1 ground-floor and 1 first-floor)

Boulevard, Rochford – 7 one-bedroom flats (4 ground-floor and 3 first-floor)

Harris Court, Hockley – 7 one-bedroom flats (5 ground floor and 2 first-floor)

Shepheards Court, Hockley – 6 one-bedroom flats (4 ground-floor and 2 first-floor)

Bardfield Way, Rayleigh – 11 one-bedroom flats (6 ground floor and 5 first-floor)

Sudbury Close, Hawkwell – 15 one-bedroom flats (7 ground-floor and 8 first floor) (HRHM)

Outstanding Issues – Provision of door chains and viewers for vulnerable residents

That remaining monies from £1500 set aside for the purpose of providing door chains and viewers for vulnerable residents be used to employ a professional fitter. (CEX)

Proposed Designation of Public Places in terms of the Criminal Justice and Police Act 2001 and Local Authorities (Alcohol

(1) That the area surrounding Clements Hall Leisure Centre and Car Park, Rochford Market Square, Rochford and Magnolia Park, Hawkwell be proposed as designated

Consumption in Designated Public Places) Regulations 2001.	public places in which the consumption of alcohol is restricted.
	(2) That statutory and public consultation be undertaken in respect of the above public areas under the terms of the Criminal Justice and Police Act 2001 and Local Authorities (Alcohol Consumption in Designated Public Places) Regulations 2001. (CEX)
Housing Rents – Water Charges	<p>(1) That from April 2003 the Council ceases to collect water and sewerage charges from Essex & Suffolk Water and Anglian Water respectively for all tenants other than those residing in Sheltered Housing.</p> <p>(2) That from April 2003, Council tenants are required to pay their water and sewerage charges directly to the water companies.</p> <p>(3) That the Head of Revenue and Housing Management works in close partnership with Essex & Suffolk Water and Anglian Water in reassuring tenants and providing appropriate advice and assistance to ensure a smooth transition in April 2003. (HRHM)</p>
Tenant Liaison/Officer Meetings	<p>(1) That the Chairman of the Community Services Committee or his nominee be nominated to attend the Tenant Liaison Meetings for this Municipal Year.</p> <p>(2) That attendance at these meetings be an approved duty for the payment of travel and subsistence allowances. (CD(F&ES))</p>
Rochford Garden Way – External Enveloping Works and Conversion of Shops	That, pursuant to Paragraph 3 of the Town and Country Planning General Regulations 1992, Officers be delegated to apply for planning permission for the external works to Rochford Garden Way and for the change of use of the two retail units to residential accommodation. (CD(F&ES))
Implementaton of the Dogs (Fouling of Land) Act 1996	(1) That the details regarding the formal adoption of the Dogs (Fouling of Land) Act 1996 and the installation of 20 extra dog

	<p>waste bins be noted.</p> <p>(2) That this Council enters into the Dog Waste Bin Sponsorship Agreement with Bayer PLC. (CD(F&ES))</p>
Proposed Introduction of Skateboarding Byelaws	<p>(1) That the area immediately surrounding the Clements Hall Leisure Centre be included, together with all Council owned public car parks in Hockley, Rochford and Rayleigh, as public places to be considered as areas where skateboarding be prohibited.</p> <p>(2) That the management of skateboarding within the District be considered by the Community Overview and Scrutiny Committee. (HLS)</p>
A Specialist Heart Centre for Essex - Consultation	That Essex Health Authority be advised that this Council strongly supports the development of a tertiary cardiac centre for Essex, based at the Basildon Hospital site. (HHHCC)
Housing Strategy/Housing Investment Programme 2002	<p>(1) That the Head of Housing, Health & Community Care write to the Local Government Association and the Members of Parliament for the Rayleigh and Rochford & Southend East constituencies, in order to gain their views on the change in emphasis in guidance to require cross-boundary partnerships between local authorities and registered social landlords in new social housing development.</p> <p>(2) That the development of the Council's Housing Strategy be noted.</p> <p>(3) That a review of the current capital programme in relation to social housing support be considered by the Finance & Procedures Overview & Scrutiny Committee (HHHCC)</p>
Dome Caravan Park – Application to Alter Site Layout	That the application to remove the footpath which led from Main Street to The Close on the Dome Caravan Park be approved and removed from the site plan. (HHHCC)

Unfit House

- (1) That the making of a further Deferred Action Notice is the most satisfactory course of action in respect of Colwood, The Chase, Ashingdon.
- (2) That in the event of representations from the owner following service of the 'Minded To Take Action' notice a further report be made to this Committee.
- (3) In the event of no representations, the Council serves a further Deferred Action Notice under the provisions of The Housing Grants, Construction & Regeneration Act 1996, Section 81.
- (4) That the situation be monitored and a further report be made to this Committee in the event that satisfactory progress is not made with demolition of the property. (HHHCC)

The above decisions 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.

Signed
Head of Administrative and Member Services

Dated ...3 July 2002.....