

NOTICE OF POLICY DECISIONS

The Policy & Finance Committee made the following decisions at its meeting on 14 January 2004:-

<u>Item</u>	<u>Decision</u>
Issues Arising from Finance & Procedures Overview & Scrutiny Committee (Minute 19/04)	(1) That a bid for £15,000 be included in the 2004/05 draft budget (subject to the outcome of the standards fund bid). (2) That the Chairman of the Finance & Procedures Overview & Scrutiny Committee be appointed as the "benefits champion". (HRHM)
Procurement Agency for Essex (Minute 20/04)	That the Essex Procurement Agency be joined with effect from 1 April 2004, subject to budget provision being made available at the Council meeting to be held on 27 January 2004. (CD(F&ES))
Corporate Debt Policy (Minute 21/04)	That the corporate debt policy, as appended to the report, be adopted. (HRHM)
Corporate Write-off Policy (Minute 22/04)	That, subject to inclusion of the Corporate Director in the consideration process for full debt write-off, the corporate write-off policy, as appended to the report, be adopted. (HRHM)
National Non-Domestic Rating - Mandatory and Discretionary Rate Relief (Minute 23/04)	That discretionary rate relief be granted as follows: (a) Rethink - 20% top up relief with effect from 30 May 2003. (b) Hullbridge Gardens Association - 30% relief with effect from 1 April 2003. (HRHM)
Housing Benefit Customer Survey Results (Minute 24/04)	(1) That the interim survey results be noted. (2) That a full report be received in April 2004. (HRHM)
Post Number 23200 (Minute 25/04)	That post 23200 be regraded from scale PO6-9 to PO14-17. (CD(LP&A))

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

Dated.....