RECOMMENDATIONS AND REFERENCES FROM THE MEETING OF THE FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE HELD ON 12 OCTOBER 2000

(a) MINUTE 327(4) RELATING TO STRUCTURAL AND PROCEDURAL REVIEW SUB-COMMITTEE MINUTE 64 – SUBSTITUTES

The Minute reads as follows:-

Minute 64 - Substitutes

Given that the Standing Order relating to substitutes could be interpreted to provide for the notification of substitutes at any time up to Meeting commencement, Members agreed that it would be appropriate to formalise this within Standing Order documentation and:-

RECOMMENDED

That the first part of Standing Order 12(13)(e) be revised to read:-

"A list of substitutes nominated in accordance with paragraph 12(13)(a) should be supplied to the Proper Officer at any time up to the commencement of the Meeting to which it relates......"

(b) MINUTE 327(4) RELATING TO STRUCTURAL AND PROCEDURAL REVIEW SUB-COMMITTEE MINUTE 65 – REFERENCING UP OF DECISIONS

The Minute reads as follows:-

Minute 65 – Referencing up of Decisions

RECOMMENDED

That Standing Order 18(6) be adjusted to read:-

"(6) Delegated decisions of a Sub-Committee or Committee other than the Planning Services Committee or when acting in a quasi-judicial capacity shall be deemed to have been resolved four working days after the date of the Meeting, unless a Member(s) has provided the Proper Officer with the names of three Members of the Council who require the relevant Minute to be referred to the Full Council for decision. If such a request is received the Minute will be included for debate at the next Full Council Meeting." (HAMS)

(c) MINUTE 327(5) – RELATING TO CORPORATE RESOURCES SUB-COMMITTEE MINUTE 358 – POSITION OF CHIEF EXECUTIVE

The Minute to read as follows:-

Minute 358 – Position of Chief Executive

RECOMMENDED

That the Council offer the permanent position of Chief Executive to Mr Paul Warren on expiry of his current contract with the Council. (CD(L,P&A))

(d) MINUTE 327(5) – RELATING TO CORPORATE RESOURCES SUB-COMMITTEE MINUTE 359 – POSITION OF HEAD OF PLANNING SERVICES

The Minute reads as follows:-

RECOMMENDED

That the Head of Corporate Policy & Initiatives be confirmed in the post of Head of Planning Services on a permanent basis with the Local Plans Unit transferring back to the Planning Services Division under his control. (CE)

(e) MINUTE 327(7) – RELATING TO MEMBER BUDGET MONITORING SUB-COMMITTEE MINUTE 97 – BUDGET STRATEGY

The Minute reads as follows:-

Minute 97 – Budget Strategy

Members noted that the Chief Executive was currently undertaking an investigation aimed at identifying how information detailed in the exempt report associated with this item had been obtained by the media. A report explaining the legal position on disclosure of exempt and confidential information would be submitted to the next meeting of Full Council by the Corporate Director (Law, Planning and Administration).

NOTE: The report of the Corporate Director (Law, Planning and Administration) on the legal position regarding disclosure of exempt and confidential information is attached.

(f) MINUTE 336 – CONTRACT STANDING ORDERS – MONITORING REPORT – FINANCIAL SERVICES DIVISION

The Minute reads as follows:-

The Committee received the report of the Head of Financial Services dealing with orders placed by the Financial Services Division.

In discussing this item the Committee agreed that it would be appropriate to amend contract Standing Order 3.6 so as to remove the necessity for Corporate Directors to report to the appropriate service committee on exemptions granted relating to contracts not exceeding £5,000.

RECOMMENDED

That contract Standing Order 3.6 be adjusted to read:-

"Each Corporate Director shall report to the appropriate Service Committee and to the Corporate Director (Law, Planning and Administration) at least once every six months summarising their Register of Exemptions for any contract exceeding £5,000 in value". (HFS)

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