

NOTICE OF POLICY DECISIONS

The Environmental Services Committee made the following decisions at its meeting on 6 September 2005:-

<u>Item</u>	<u>Decision</u>
Report of the Taxi Licensing Sub-Committee (Minute 325/05)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">(1) That there be no re-introduction of a three year probation period relating to the issue of hackney carriage vehicle licences.(2) That there be no requirement for all new hackney carriage proprietors to live within a three mile radius of the District.(3) That all new hackney carriage proprietors must hold a hackney carriage driver's licence.(4) That all new hackney carriage vehicle licences issued be to purpose built wheelchair accessible vehicles only.(5) That the age limit for purpose built wheelchair accessible vehicles be reduced to no more than 6 years old when first licensed, with an upper age limit of 12 years.(6) That the above conditions be implemented 4 weeks from today. (HRHM)
Contaminated Land – Update (Minute 326/05)	That progress with implementation of the contaminated land strategy be noted and that a further progress report be made in two years. (HHHCC)

Item

Decision

**Basildon Local Plan
Second Deposit** (Minute
327/05)

- (1) That the representations made by officers be agreed as an appropriate response on behalf of Rochford District Council.
- (2) That authority be delegated to the Head of Planning Services to make full representations on behalf of Rochford District Council with regard to Gypsy / Traveller provision as contained within the Basildon District Replacement Local Plan Redeposit and through the remainder of the Basildon Local Plan replacement process, reporting back any new developments to this Committee. (HPS)

**Planning for Housing
Provision – Consultation
Paper**
(Minute 328/05)

- (1) That, subject to the following comments from Members, ODPM be informed that this Council fundamentally objects in the strongest possible terms to the proposed methodology for housing provision, in line with the concerns outlined in the officer's report and by those elected to plan for the District:
 - The findings of the Barker Review of Housing Supply are flawed.
 - The proposals will lead to a diminution of Local Government control, despite residents' rejection of regional government.
 - It would be ill advised to provide new housing without proper infrastructure.
 - This would make it easy for builders to erect new housing in the Green Belt.
- (2) That a press release be issued outlining this Authority's response to the consultation paper. (HPS)

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

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