ROCHFORD DISTRICT COUNCIL



Policy & Finance Committee

agenda

Date

8 April 2003

Time

7.30pm

Place

Council Chamber Civic Suite Rayleigh

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Terms of Reference

To exercise the Council's functions in relation to all matters not otherwise reserved to Full Council or the responsibility of another Committee with particular reference to:

- Finance
- Council Budget
- Support Services

Including the formulation and implementation of the policy framework and management of the budget in respect of these functions.

Corporate Objectives

To provide quality cost effective services To work towards a safer and more caring community To promote a green and sustainable environment To encourage a thriving local economy To improve the quality of life for people in our District To maintain and enhance our local heritage and culture

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- 1 Apologies for Absence
- 2 Substitutes
- 3 Non-Members attending
- 4 Minutes of the Meeting held on 11 March 2003
- 5 To Receive Declarations of Interest
- 6 Questions on Notice
- 7 Motions on Notice
- 8 Issues arising from Overview and Scrutiny

9 **Progress on Decisions**

The report is to follow.

10 Beacon Council Scheme: Consultation on Future 10.1 Themes

To consider the report of the Chief Executive which outlines details of a consultation exercise being carried out by the Advisory Panel on Beacon Councils.

11 Stocktake of the Local Government Pension Scheme 11.1

To consider the report of the Corporate Director (Finance & External Services) which seeks Members' views in respect of the proposed response suggested by the Local Government Pensions Committee to the above consultation.

12 Disposal of Old Ship Lane Public Conveniences and Car Park

To consider the report of the Corporate Director (Finance & External Services) which invites Members to agree the disposal of the Old Ship Lane Public Conveniences and Car Park.

The report is to follow.

13 Insurance Renewals

To consider the report of the Head of Financial Services which seeks Members' approval to the renewal of the contracts for insurance from July 2003. 13.1

15.1

14Local Authority Social Housing Grant14.1

To consider the report of the Head of Financial Services which invites Members to consider the Council's policy towards Local Authority Social Housing Grant in the light of new changes in legislation.

15 Planning Delivery Grant 2003/04

To consider the report of the Head of Planning Services which provides details of the Planning Delivery Grant and outlines the key areas where the grant can best be targeted in Rochford to enhance the Planning Service.

16 Amendment to Polling Place for Hockley Central 16.1 Ward

To consider the report of the Head of Administrative & Member Services which advises Members of a necessary amendment to the Polling place for Hockley Central Ward.

17 Exclusion of the Press and Public

To agree that the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the remaining business on the grounds that exempt information as defined in paragraph 1 of Part 1 of the Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 would be disclosed.

18 Staffing Issues

To consider the exempt report of the Chief Executive which updates Members on the current position regarding vacancies and long-term sickness absence within the Authority.

The report is to follow.

Paul Warren Chief Executive