

## **NOTICE OF POLICY DECISIONS**

The Policy, Finance and Strategic Performance Committee made the following decisions at its meeting on 7 December 2006:-

<b><u>Item</u></b>	<b><u>Decision</u></b>
<b>Progress on Decisions - Members' Performance Report – 2006/07 Quarter 1</b> (Minute 423(a)/06)	That a press release be issued on this Council's concern that, given that the Authority has targets to meet, there has been no response from the Department for Work and Pensions (DWP) to official correspondence issued nearly two months ago relating to the problems that the DWP is having in processing housing benefit claims. (CE)
<b>Strong and Prosperous Communities Local Government White Paper</b> (Minute 424/06)	That the content of the report be noted and that officers arrange a Member seminar early in the new year once details of the Local Government Bill become apparent so that Members can consider in depth how the agenda needs to be taken forward in the context of Rochford District Council. The Political Groups to contact the Chief Executive if they would like to receive a pre-seminar briefing from officers. (CE)
<b>Progress Report- Introduction of a Revised Performance Management System</b> (Minute 425/06)	(1) That progress made in implementing the revised Performance Management System be noted.  (2) That the Members' Guide to Performance Management be agreed. (HFAPM)

**Item****Decision****2006/07 Mid Year  
Performance Report to  
Members**

(Minute 426/06)

That the performance achieved in the first half of 2006/07 be noted. (CE)

**The Housing Benefit  
Performance Standards**

(Minute 427/06)

That the self-assessment score of 3 (Good) be endorsed. (CD(ES))

**Revenue and Benefits -  
Extension of Capita  
Contract.**

(Minute 428/06)

That the Capita partnership be renewed for a further year whilst the Revenues and Benefits partnership continues to be developed with Chelmsford Borough Council. (CD(ES))

**Evaluation of CCTV  
Provision**

(Minute 429/06)

- (1) That all the Council's analogue CCTV equipment be removed.
- (2) That the CCTV equipment installed on lamp columns in Hockley, Rochford and Hullbridge be removed but, given that this is at the request of Essex County Council, this Council seek to recover the cost of removal from the County Council.
- (3) That CCTV continue to be considered within the context of the management of the Council's sites and property, with appropriate provision made for the management and maintenance of such equipment.
- (4) That this Council continue to support the use by the Police of covert cameras across the District to target crime and disorder issues. (CE)

**Item****Decision**

**Disability Equality Scheme**  
(Minute 430/06)

That the Disability Equality Scheme 2007-2010, as appended to the report, be adopted. (CE)

**Appointment of  
Consultants- Post Ballot  
Phase of Housing Transfer**  
(Minute 431/06)

That, subject to a ballot result in favour of housing transfer, Graham Moody Associates and Bircham Dyson Bell be appointed as financial and legal consultants respectively for any further work associated with the transfer process. (CD(ES))

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 three Members or called in by the Review Committee.

**Signed** .....  
Head of Administrative and Member Services

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