

**SCRUTINY COMMITTEE 1 – COMMUNITY AND HOUSING held at  
COUNCIL OFFICES LONDON ROAD SAFFRON WALDEN at 7.30 pm on  
22 JUNE 2005**

Present:- Councillor A R Row – Chairman.  
Councillors, R T Harris, B M Hughes, S C Jones, A J Ketteridge,  
E D Tealby-Watson, and A M Wattebot.

Officers in attendance:- F Gardiner, J Roos, C Roberts and T Turner.

**S1.42 APOLOGIES**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors J F Cheetham, M A Gayler and P A Wilcock.

**S1.43 MINUTES**

The Minutes of the meeting held on 16 March 2005 were received, confirmed and signed by the Chairman as a correct record subject to the inclusion of Councillor S J Jones concern that something should be done by the PCT about prostate cancer awareness.

**S1.44 BUSINESS ARISING**

**(i) Minute S1.31 – Leisure Centres**

The Executive Manager Strategy and Performance agreed to investigate the matter of the swim times programme.

Councillor A J Ketteridge described successful introduction of shoes notices at the Lord Butler Leisure Centre.

**(ii) Minute S1.39 – Uttlesford Life**

It was noted that the Press and Public Relations Officer was on sick leave.

**S1.40 SCRUTINY 1 WORK PROGRAMME 2005/06**

The Executive Manager Strategy and Performance presented a report setting out suggested topic areas to be considered for investigation by the Committee during 2005/06 within the context of guidance for fourth option councils produced by the Centre for Public Scrutiny. Appended to the report was a list of possible work topics for the two Uttlesford Scrutiny Committees to consider. Both lists reflected a mixture of helpful policy development and external scrutiny items.

Members were asked to consider and select two or three topics for in-depth consideration during 2005/06, give an outline timetable for the work and

identify lead members for each topic, with a view to agree to bringing further reports back to future meetings.

The Executive Manager Strategy and Performance mentioned that no suggestions had been received yet from members on this issue.

Presentations were made by Mrs F Gardiner and Mr J Roos on the use of Asbos in the community and climate change, both possible topics for consideration.

RESOLVED that the Councillors R T Harris, B M Hughes and E D Tealby-Watson be appointed to working groups to consider and report on the topics of Anti-social behaviour, climate change and economic development respectively.

#### S1.41 **REPRESENTATION ON OUTSIDE BODIES**

The Committee considered the report of the Committee Officer with three further attached annual reports from Members on their experience of outside bodies upon which they acted as Council representative.

The Chairman informed Members about recent major changes in the management structure of the Bishops Stortford CAB, which now allowed no place for the Council's representation on it.

A question was raised about the need of day centres for assistance with the new premises licence system in view of their large numbers of user organisations. The Committee Officer agreed to raise this with the Executive Manager Corporate Governance, and report back to the next meeting.

RESOLVED that the Annual reports be forwarded to the Council for consideration.

#### S1.41 **COMMUNITY AND LEISURE COMMITTEE – 7 JUNE 2005**

##### **(i) Minute No CL62 – Museum Resource Centre**

Councillor A R Row and B M Hughes declared interests in so far as they were members of the Museum Task Group.

#### S1.42 **HEALTH CARE COMMISSION CONFERENCE**

The Executive Manager Strategy and Performance asked for appointment of a member to attend this conference on 21<sup>st</sup> July.

RESOLVED that Councillor Mrs B M Hughes be appointed to attend this event.