AGENDA ITEM 7 – MATTERS ARISING FROM OTHER COMMITTEES

S4 PROTOCOL FOR THE USE OF COUNCIL RESOURCES

At the last meeting, the Committee had considered an allegation that a Member had used Council resources improperly for political purposes. Whilst considering the case, the Committee had been concerned that the Council did not have an established protocol for Member use of IT equipment or guidelines as to what would be defined as political purposes. In order to prevent a similar incident occurring in the future, it had set up a task group to consider appropriate guidelines.

The Task Group had met on 20 May and as a result of discussions officers had prepared a draft protocol. Subject to minor typographical changes the Committee agreed with the content of the document and it was

RECOMMENDED that the Protocol on the Use of Council Supplied IT by Members be forwarded to the next meeting of Full Council for adoption