

**Item 7 (ii) – Item referred from other committee
Finance and Administration Committee 25 March 2010
Contract Procedural rules**

FA70 CONTRACTS PROCEDURE RULES

The Committee considered the report of the Chief Finance Officer presenting new Contracts Procedure Rules to take the place of the Contract Standing Orders with the new Contracts Procedure Rules. The Contract Standing Orders no longer met the business needs of the Council and, due to their age, omitted key guidance especially about EU Procurement rules and the use of Framework Contracts. These aspects were met by the new Contracts Procedure Rules developed in consultation with the Essex Procurement Hub.

RECOMMENDED that the Full Council approves the replacement of the Contract Standing Orders with the new Contracts Procedure Rules as attached to the report.