

DECISION LIST

HEALTH AND HOUSING COMMITTEE MEETING – 9 JUNE 2005

AGENDA ITEM NO.	ITEM	DECISION	REASON	OFFICER
5	Housing Stock Options Appraisal	<p>RECOMMENDED to Council that, following the Housing Stock Options Appraisal, the housing stock be retained and the position continue to be reviewed annually; and</p> <p>RESOLVED that</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) improved tenant participation arrangements be put in place for both general and sheltered housing tenants to discuss and consider in more detail issues highlighted by the stock options appraisal process; and (b) the Housing Strategy Working Group be reconvened to consider matters arising as part of the review. 	<p>The Stock Options appraisal had demonstrated that the Council could meet and maintain the Government's Decent Homes Standard and surveys had indicated a high level of tenant satisfaction with the housing service and that tenants overwhelmingly wished to remain Council tenants.</p>	RC
6	Hard to Let Sheltered Accommodation	<p>RESOLVED that the Committee authorises officers to carry out a feasibility study for hard to let sheltered housing schemes and report back on the best benefits to be obtained for both</p>	<p>It was recognised that, for some sheltered schemes, particularly those incorporating bed-sit units, demand had become exhausted and the time was now opportune to explore other uses for the</p>	EP/SC

		existing and future tenants.	sites concerned, concentrating especially on Holloway Crescent, Leaden Roding.	
7	Homelessness Statistics 2004/05	RESOLVED to note the homelessness figures for 2004/05.	It was noted that there had been a significant drop in the number of homeless acceptances during the last full year. This was due in the main to the more proactive approach now adopted following the appointment of a dedicated officer.	JS
8	Adoption Work to a Council House	RESOLVED that the request to carry out adaptation work to a Council house in Radwinter be approved.	To adapt the house for occupation by the family concerned, two of whom had severe disabilities.	RC
9	Sale of Council Property at High Roding	RESOLVED that the house known as The Wards, High Roding be sold subject to appropriate terms and conditions in accordance with Standing Orders.	The house was a grade II listed, timber framed, property in need of considerable renovation.	RM
10	Public Health	RESOLVED that: (a) the continuing work on the public health agenda be noted; (b) agreement in principle be given to support UPCT in recruiting a Director of Public Health; and (c) relevant arrangements be delegated to the Executive Manager (Environmental and Cultural Services) in consultation with the Chairman of this Committee.	To enable the recruitment of a high calibre Director of Public Health to support the work in progress on public health issues.	TT/DB
12	GP Shared Care	RESOLVED that the Committee notes the	To enable the Council to support the work	RH

		issues raised in the report and adds its support to the campaign for greater support of services to drug users in line with the Community Safety Strategy in co-operation with partners such as UPCT and the Drug and Alcohol Action Team; this may include direct appeals to GP practices in the district on behalf of the wider community stressing the crime and disorder implications of such services.	of specialist services helping those in drug and alcohol dependency such as the Shared Care scheme.	
11	Work Plan for Committee	RESOLVED that the provisional work programme for this Committee in 2005/06 be approved	In accordance with the agreed procedure.	RC