

DECISION LIST

FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE MEETING – 25 MARCH 2010

AGENDA ITEM	ITEM	DECISION	REASON	OFFICER
6	2009/10 BUDGET MONITORING	RESOLVED that the report, including the budget monitoring approach set out on page six, be noted and approved.	To further the budget process.	SJ
7	CONTRACTS PROCEDURE RULES	RECOMMENDED that the Full Council approves the replacement of the Contract Standing Orders with the new Contracts Procedure Rules as attached to the report.	The Contract Standing Orders no longer meet the business needs of the Council and, due to their age, omit key guidance especially about EU Procurement rules and the use of Framework Contracts. These aspects are met by the new Contracts Procedure Rules developed in consultation with the Essex Procurement Hub.	SJ
8	PRICING & CONCESSIONS POLICY	RESOLVED to approve the consultation process, detailed in paragraphs 10 and 11 of the report, and the principles to be consulted upon, as detailed in paragraph 5 of the report, for use in the development of a Pricing and Concessions Policy.	It is recognised that the Council requires a more detailed policy, to ensure greater transparency and consistency in the setting of charges and the application of concessions. Developing a policy in this area has been recommended by the Scrutiny Committee.	SJ

11	<p>MATTERS ARISING FROM OTHER COMMITTEES</p> <p>a) Community and Housing Committee 17 March 2010</p> <p>b) Environment Committee 16 March 2010</p>	<p>RESOLVED that the Woodlands Park Play Area be transferred to Great Dunmow Town Council at nil value.</p> <p>RESOLVED that £18,000 of the Housing and Planning Delivery Grant be used to engage agency staff resources enabling Article 4 Directions to be obtained for the six villages where conservation area appraisals have been completed.</p>	<p>The play area was transferred in to the District Council's ownership but the Council does not have the expertise to manage the area.</p> <p>There was no officer resource within the District Council to undertake the consultation necessary to obtain Article 4 Directions for these villages.</p>	SW/RH
12	LANDSBANKI – POTENTIAL SALE OF DEPOSIT	RECOMMENDED that the Full Council approves in principle the suggested course of action, subject to the conditions and with the necessary delegations as set out in the Part II report (as amended in paras 4e) and f)).	To support possible action to ensure the Council's best interests in the current situation.	SJ
13	<p>MATTERS ARISING FROM OTHER COMMITTEES</p> <p>Community and Housing Committee 17 March 2010</p>	RESOLVED to approve the transfer of certain sites to Registered Social Landlord partners as detailed in the Part II report.	To progress the disposal of some garage sites to support affordable housing schemes.	SW

