

## **RESOURCES PORTFOLIO**

Minutes of the meeting held on 8 December 2010

### **Present:**

Councillors Councillor Neil Reddin

### **Also Present:**

Councillor Julian Benington, Councillor Eric Bosshard,  
Councillor Robert Evans and Councillor Peter Fookes

#### **1           DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest.

#### **2           MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 19TH JANUARY 2010 (EXCLUDING EXEMPT ITEMS)**

**RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meeting held on 19<sup>th</sup> January 2010 (excluding exempt items) be confirmed.

#### **3           QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ATTENDING THE MEETING**

No questions had been received.

#### **4           CAPITAL PROGRAMME MONITORING - 2ND QUARTER 2010/11**

Report DR10101 (Decision RES 10032)

At its meeting on 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2010, the Executive had received a report summarising the current position on expenditure and receipts following the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter of 2010/11 and had agreed a revised Capital Programme for the four year period 2010/11 to 2013/14. The Portfolio Holder received an update on the changes that had been agreed for the Resources Capital Programme.

**RESOLVED** that the latest information on the Resources Capital Programme be noted and confirmed.

#### **5           REVIEW OF COUNCIL OWNED SHOPPING PARADES**

Report DRR10/00138 (Decision RES10033)

The Executive and Resources PDS Committee had requested that a review of Council owned shopping parades be carried out, and the report provided details of the 12 parades, which contained 141 shop units. The report also set out the options for disposing of some or all of these properties, but as well as

providing vital services to local communities, the parades were achieving a net return of at least 9.2%, and it was concluded that they should be retained. This view was supported by the Renewal and Recreation PDS Committee, which had considered the report at its meeting on 7<sup>th</sup> December.

Members requested clarification of the management costs for the parades. The PDS Property Working Group report contained reference to 29.03% of staff time being spent on management. However, this related to the cost of managing all the Council's property portfolio, not just the shopping parades. The actual expenditure on managing the parades was about £36k pa, representing part of the workload of two members of staff. The Head of Valuation and Estates offered to provide confirmation of the figures by email.

**RESOLVED that the shopping parades be retained.**

**6 LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972 AS AMENDED BY THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ACCESS TO INFORMATION) (VARIATION) ORDER 2006, AND THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000**

**RESOLVED that the Press and public be excluded during the consideration of the items of business referred to below as it is likely in view of the nature of the business to be transacted or the nature of the proceedings that if members of the Press and public were present there would be disclosure to them of exempt information.**

**The following summaries  
refer to matters  
involving exempt information**

**7 EXEMPT MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 19TH JANUARY 2010**

The exempt minutes of the meeting held on 19<sup>th</sup> January 2010 were approved.

**8 INFORMATION SYSTEMS - AWARD OF WEB HOSTING CONTRACT**  
Report DR10096 (Decision RES10034)

The Portfolio Holder approved the award of the Web Hosting contract to Blue Sky Hosting Limited.

**9 INFORMATION SYSTEMS - AWARD OF BROMLEY LIBRARIES ISP**  
Report DR10098 (Decision RES10035)

The Portfolio Holder approved the award of the Internet Service Provision for the Council's Libraries to Infor Ltd for two years.

**10 RENEWAL OF MICROSOFT ENTERPRISE AGREEMENT**  
Report DR10099 (Decision RES10036)

The Portfolio Holder approved the renewal of the Microsoft Enterprise Agreement for a further three year period and the one-off purchase of 1,000 Office Working at Home licenses. He also authorised the Director of Resources to approve the selection of the re-seller following a tender exercise through framework agreements with ESPO or GCAT.

**11 2 BETTS WAY, ANERLEY**  
Report DRR10/00122 (Decision RES10037)

The Portfolio Holder agreed to extend the deadline for the exchange of contracts for the sale of 2 Betts Way, with the property being remarketed if the sale cannot be progressed within the agreed timescale.

The Meeting ended at 6.13 pm

Chairman