

ITEM 4

Time commenced - 6.00 pm

Time finished - 8:00 pm

SCRUTINY MANAGEMENT COMMISSION 7 MARCH 2006

Present: Councillor Graves (in the Chair)
Councillors Ahern, Allen, Higginbottom, Hickson, Jackson, Jones,
Latham, MacDonald, Smalley, Travis and Turner.

93/05 Apologies for Absence

There were none.

94/05 Late items introduced by the Chair

The Chair introduced a late item on the Council Tax Setting for 2006/7 and Final Revenue and Capital Budget Proposals which had been approved at Council Cabinet on 1 March 2006 subject to consideration by the Scrutiny Management Commission of the Corporate Property Maintenance Budget.

Resolved to note the report

95/05 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

96/05 Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 24 January 2006 were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

97/05 Call-In

There had been no call in of a decision.

Items for Discussion

98/05 Customer Service Information System

Resolved to defer this item to a future meeting.

99/05 Concessionary Travel Scheme for disabled and older people – Forward Plan Ref 69/05

The Commission received a presentation from Chris Hegarty, Senior Public Transport Officer regarding the Concessionary Travel Scheme for Disabled and Older People.

It was noted that the proposals to extend the gold card scheme had yet to go to Council Cabinet for approval. The proposals included free travel in Derby after 9.30am for all people eligible for a pass provided the journey started within Derbyshire?.

Resolved to welcome the proposals outlined in the presentation.

100/05 Council Accommodation: Accommodation Strategy Programme – Forward Plan Ref 23/05

The Commission received a presentation from Mike Melliush, PFI Performance Manager, which provided information on the Accommodation Strategy Programme.

It was noted that a cross Council project team was looking at a variety of accommodation options and that the preferred option would be put to Cabinet in May/June 2006.

Resolved to note the presentation.

101/05 Performance Eye

a) Resolved to request that the following items from Performance eye be considered at future meetings:

- **BV156 – Percentage of authority buildings open to the public which are accessible to disabled people**
- **BV2b – The duty to promote race equality**

b) The Commission received a presentation from Heather Greenan, Planning and Performance Manager, regarding the review of Scrutiny Commission scorecards on Performance Eye in light of the New Corporate Plan and Community Strategy.

Resolved to approve proposals to track the progress of the relevant Community Strategy Indicators on Performance Eye.

102/05 Retrospective Scrutiny

a) No new items were identified for retrospective scrutiny.

b) The Commission received a report on possible ways of tracking the effect on services of the savings identified in the Council's 2006/07 revenue budget.

Resolved to request quarterly reports on:

- **Estates rental increases**
- **Savings from Bus Station closure**
- **Borrowing costs**
- **The reduction in the Overview and Scrutiny research budget .**

103/05 Council Cabinet Forward Plan

The Commission examined the items on the Forward Plan

Resolved to request that a report on Derby's Local Area Agreement (Ref 62/06) be brought to a future meeting

104/05 Responses of the Council Cabinet to any reports of the Commission

There were none.

105/05 Matters Referred to the Commission by Council Cabinet

There were none.

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