ITEM 4

Time commenced – 4.45pm Time finished – 4.51pm

GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE 28 JULY 2010

Present: Councillor Jennings (Chair)

Councillors Bayliss and Jones

01/10 Apologies for Absence

There were no apologies.

02/10 Late Items Introduced by the Chair

There were no late items.

03/10 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

04/10 New Executive Arrangements Consultation

At its meeting on 7 July 2010, Council resolved that, in principle, it wished to adopt a leader and cabinet model of executive arrangements and authorised appropriate consultation with the public and stakeholders. It was also resolved that the Governance Committee be established to agree consultation arrangements and that a final on future executive arrangements would be taken at a special meeting of the Council on 15 December 2010.

A report of the Strategic Director of Resources was considered. The report detailed proposed consultation in relation to the adoption of a new model of executive arrangements. It was explained that a letter had been received from the Minister for Housing and Local Government advising that low-level consultation should be undertaken. Representations were made by Councillor Bayliss that the level of consultation should be more extensive.

Resolved to:

1) Agree that low level consultation, comprising a press release and appropriate information on the Council's website including an opportunity to respond, be undertaken concerning the Council's proposed model of executive arrangements

(Councillor Bayliss asked that his vote against the above decision be recorded.)

- 2) Recommend that Council consider the results of the consultation and take a final decision at the scheduled Council meeting on 17 November 2010 rather than a special meeting on 15 December;
- 3) Hold a further meeting of the Governance Committee at 6pm on 3 November 2010 to make recommendations to Council.

MINUTES END