

Minute Extract from Council Cabinet 26 April 2005

390/04 Energy Policy for Buildings

The Council Cabinet considered a report from the Director of Corporate Services setting out an Energy Policy for Buildings. The Energy Policy, attached to Appendix 2 of the report, had been written to reflect the Government's and European Union's targets for reducing energy consumption and good practice. It set out policies for energy purchase, the design, maintenance and use of buildings and described how these would be implemented, energy use monitored, and the policy reviewed and performance reported.

The Director of Corporate Services reported on the views of the Scrutiny Management Commission expressed at their meeting on 19 April 2005. The Commission recommended that the following additional wording should be added at the beginning of paragraph 1.5:

"The Council will actively seek to identify and implement as a priority low cost energy saving measures that have a quick return on investment."

Decision

1. To approve the Energy Policy for Buildings subject to paragraph 1.5 being amended as suggested by the Scrutiny Management Commission.
2. To agree to amend the capital programme to provide for £120,000 of capital spending on energy saving measures in 2005/6 financed from unsupported prudential borrowing, the financing costs of which were to be met from departmental budget virements.