RESOURCE PLANNING WORKING GROUP

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 19 DECEMBER 2007

Present: Councillors A Holliday (Deputy Leader in the Chair); J W Bowman; P C Connolly; A Norwood; J G Sunderland

An apology for absence was received from Councillors E Woodburn and P Watson.

Officers: F McMorrow, Corporate Director Economic Prosperity and Sustainability G Ayling, Interim Head of Finance and Business Development; T Capper, Democratic Services Manager

Minutes

Notes of the meeting held on 12 December 2007 agreed as a correct record.

RP 30 Economic Development Service Review

Members considered and noted the service review for 2007/2008 for Economic Development.

RP 31 Budget Build

Members noted the current position on budget build for 2007/2008.

RP 32 Concessionary Fares

Members considered the position on concessionary fares which Executive had referred to this Group, including the funding of the budgetary shortfall of £140,000 in 2007/2008.

After a discussion it was agreed that Executive be recommended to agree to fund the £140,000 shortfall from general reserves in 2007/2008, and reviewed for future years.

(Councillors P C Connolly and P Watson declared personal interests in this item due to their eligibility for concessionary fares)

(Councillor Holliday left the meeting at this point and Councillor Connolly took the Chair for the remaining items)

RP 33 Fees and Charges

Members discussed and agreed a schedule of fees and charges for 2008/9, subject to showing percentage increases for crematorium services and to checking the proposed increases for passport memberships at the Beacon.

RP 34 Reserve Strategy

Members discussed and agreed for recommendation to Executive a reserve strategy for 2008/9.

RP 35 Capital Monitoring

Members considered and noted the current position on capital spending for 2007/08 including slippages. Agreed that a rolling 5 year programme was needed with realistic spending plans.

The meeting closed at 11.55 am