SALISBURY DISTRICT COUNCIL 1ST OCTOBER 2008 CABINET MEETING

MINUTE EXTRACT

270. 30 Year HRA Business Plan:

Councillor Britton addressed the Cabinet and presented the recommendations of a joint meeting of the Resources and Community & Housing Overview and Scrutiny Panel held to consider the 30 Year HRA Business Plan as set out below:

- 1) Cabinet is urged to press for the creation of a Local Governance Board to take overall responsibility for the management of our housing stock
- Cabinet should call on the government to recognise the serious negative effect the present subsidy system has created for Salisbury District Council and its tenants;
- Cabinet is urged to continue to support the present process of lobbying government to bring about the changes to the subsidy system we need;
- 4) Cabinet is recommended to immediately commission work to produce contingency plans against the eventuality that changes to the subsidy system are not forthcoming.

Members debated the recommendations. They felt that it was unnecessary to commission immediate work on contingency plans due to the high level of uncertainty associated with the ongoing HRA Subsidy review and Local Government Reorganisation.

Councillor Tomes introduced the previously circulated report of the Head of Housing Management.

Resolved: that

(1) Cabinet will press for the creation of a Local Governance Board to take overall responsibility for the management of Salisbury District Council's housing stock;

(2) Cabinet will call on the government to recognise the serious negative effect the present subsidy system has created for Salisbury District Council and its tenants;

(3) Cabinet will continue to support the present process of lobbying government to bring about changes to the subsidy system;

(4) the 30 year HRA Business Plan as set out in appendix 1 of the report be approved;

(5) the Implementation Executive recommend that the plan be approved prior to sending to GOSW for a fit for purpose assessment