KENNET DISTRICT COUNCIL

OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY MANAGEMENT BOARD

Minutes of the meeting of the Overview and Scrutiny Management Board held in the Council Chamber, Browfort, Bath Road, Devizes on Tuesday, 6th December, 2005 at 2.15 pm

PRESENT: Councillor C.P.G. Hoddinott - Chairman

Councillor B.G. Ashley Councillor S.J. Miles

Councillor D.D. Campbell Councillor J.D. Pearcy-Caldwell

Councillor N.D. Carter Councillor N.G. Rawlings

Councillor W.B. Cavill

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:

Councillor Mrs. J.K. Combe

PART 1

Items considered whilst the meeting was open to the public

20. MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 11th October, 2005, were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

21. DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

No disclosures were made.

22. TASK GROUP UPDATES

The Board received a report by the Chairman of the Draft Car Parking Strategy Task Group, detailing the progress to date of that Group.

RESOLVED

THAT the approach being followed by the task group be endorsed.

The Board considered a report by the Chairman of the Use of Resources Task Group which had been circulated with the agenda.

RESOLVED

THAT the report of the Use of Resources Task Group be noted.

23. TOURISM

The Chairman introduced a report by the Director of Resources which recommended the creation of a Tourism Task Group and suggested terms of reference for consideration by the Board.

Members questioned whether the report adequately reflected the findings of the previous Tourism Task Group, whether a tourism task group was a priority given the current workload of the Board, and whether a task group should address strategic or local issues.

It was then proposed and seconded and

RESOLVED

THAT a five member working party be formed to review the tourism service. The working party to meet to set Terms of Reference and report back to the meeting of the Board in February 2006 to have its terms of reference approved.

24. WORKPLAN PROGRESS

The Board considered a report by the Policy Manager giving details of task groups that were yet to be appointed and making recommendations for their formation and membership.

RESOLVED

THAT the following task groups be appointed:

- (1) Membership of Outside Bodies Councillor Carter, Councillor Mrs. Combe, Councillor Mrs. Winchcombe
- (2) Consultation Strategy Councillor Mrs. Combe, Councillor Hoddinott, Councillor Hunter
- (3) Tourism Councillor Ashley, Councillor Carter, Councillor Cavill, Councillor Hunter + 1 Member to be confirmed by the Policy Manager.
- (4) Planning Policies Task Group Councillor Ashley, Councillor Carter, Councillor Mrs. Combe, Councillor Hoddinott, Councillor Pearcy-Caldwell.

25. ACTION PLAN MONITORING

The Board considered the Service Delivery Plan booklets for the three executive committees and questioned officers on certain details of the Service Delivery Plans, notably the Council's role in transport planning, the possible criteria for merging departments, and the

Council's public relations profile.

The Board did not consider it necessary to make any recommendations or request any further reports.

26. PERFORMANCE MONITORING

The Chairman introduced a report by the Policy Manager setting out the performance indicators for the second quarter of the municipal year. Members requested an officer report setting out key statutory dates for executive committee decisions and options for how the Council's committee timetable might be reviewed.

The Board considered the performance indicators outlined in the report and debated the performance indicators for abandoned vehicles and sickness reporting.

RESOLVED

THAT the Environment and Amenities Services Manager be requested to attend the February 2006 meeting of the Board to explain the background to the Council's Performance Indicators for abandoned vehicles

27. URGENT ACTION BETWEEN MEETINGS

There was no urgent actions to report.

PART 2

Items considered whilst the meeting was closed to the public

None

Chairman 14th February, 2006

<u>Note</u>

Members of the Board were informed that the training scheduled for 13th December had been postponed to 22nd February.