



**EXECUTIVE**

**5.30 p.m. – 5.45 p.m.**

**28 October 2009**

Present: Councillors Morpew (Chair), Morrey (Vice Chair), Arthur, Blakeway, Bremner, Brociek-Coulton and Sands

Apologies: Councillor Waters

Also present: Councillors Lubbock and Stephenson

**1. MINUTES**

**RESOLVED** to agree the accuracy of the minutes of the Executive meeting held on 14 October 2009.

**2. REVENUE BUDGET MONITORING 2009/10**

The Head of Finance together with the Financial Control Manager presented the report and informed members that the General Fund showed a forecast underspend of £1.53m and the Housing Revenue Account £1.2m. These would have an ongoing impact on the budget for sometime.

The Chair said that, whilst it was impossible to predict the final outcome as there were still lots of unknowns, he congratulated staff for not making any unnecessary purchases.

**RESOLVED** to note the content of the report and the proposed actions contained within it.

**3. RESPONSE TO GOVERNMENT CONSULTATION ON THE FUTURE FINANCING OF THE HOUSING REVENUE ACCOUNT**

The Financial Control Manager presented the report.

Councillor Arthur, Executive Member for Housing and Adult Services, said that following her request at Council, Councillor Jeraj had responded with comments which had been addressed in the draft response. Members noted that the Norwich Tenants' City Wide Board had endorsed the draft response to the Government consultation at its meeting on 15 October 2009.

**RESOLVED**, subject to the suggested amendments, to approve the draft response to Government appended to the report.

#### **4. SITE ALLOCATIONS DEVELOPMENT PLAN DOCUMENT**

The Head of Planning Services presented the report.

Councillor Lubbock emphasised the importance of the public understanding that the sites put forward were from developers or landowners and not the Council.

The Chair said the document consisted of ideas and was not something the Council would necessarily be acting upon, and asked the Executive Member for Sustainable City Development to speak to officers and prepare a letter for the press, to clarify this was not a blueprint and was just suggestions at this stage.

The Head of Planning Services said the consultation period would be from 13 November 2009 until 5 February 2010. Members would be given a note on frequently asked questions to help when advising the public.

#### **RESOLVED to:-**

- (1) approve the start of public consultation on the Site Allocations Development Plan Document, and the accompanying sustainability appraisal scoping report;
- (2) delegate authority to the Director of Regeneration and Development in consultation with the Portfolio Holder (Sustainable City Development) to make further minor editing changes to the consultation documents before they were finalised.

CHAIR