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Minutes

Name of meeting OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Date and time THURSDAY, 10 MAY 2012 COMMENCING AT 2.00 PM

Venue COUNCIL CHAMBER, COUNTY HALL, NEWPORT, ISLE OF

WIGHT

Present Cllrs Vanessa Churchman (Vice Chairman in the Chair),

Jonathan Bacon, Peter Bingham, George Cameron, Julie Jones-Evans, Paul Fuller, Dave Stewart, Ivor Warlow,

Margaret Webster Wayne Whittle

Cabinet members

present

Cllr Edward Giles

Officers Present Mr Steve Beynon, Mr Dave Burbage, Mr Jay Jayasundara,

Mr Chris Mathews, Mr Paul Thistlewood

Other members

present

Cllrs Geoff Lumley, David Pugh, Ian Stephens, Ian Ward

43. Minutes

RESOLVED:

THAT the Minutes of the meeting held on <u>26 April 2012</u> be confirmed.

44. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations at this time.

45. **Public Question Time**

Mr Steve Goodman of Newport asked a question in relation to certain aspects of PFI schemes. The vice chairman indicated that she would note his comments which would best be answered by the relevant cabinet member and leader.

Mr Keith Fagan of Bembridge asked a question in relation to the delegated decision that was the subject of the meeting and attendance by members at the information seminar held on waste. The cabinet member for environment and waste indicated that 20 members attended the seminar and that no decision had been made as to the length of any new contract. In response to a supplementary question the cabinet member indicated that the council did

not have the specialist skills and knowledge in house to deal with all aspects of this matter.

Ms Tanja Rebel, an Island resident, asked about reducing the amount of waste going to landfill. The cabinet member indicated that this would be a key part of the waste strategy.

46. <u>Call-in: delegated decision 11/12 – appointment of technical, legal and financial advisors to the waste procurement project</u>

The lead member for the call in, Councillor Churchman outlined the reasons for calling in the delegated decision and the desired outcomes as stated in the relevant notice. She expanded on her key concerns and these were supported by the other signatories to the call in.

The cabinet member for highways, transport and waste, Councillor Giles, outlined the background to the delegated decision that he had taken. He responded to the specific issues raised and expanded upon the background to the wider aspects of the draft waste strategy.

The panel sought clarification on the proposed procurement arrangements, development of the outline business case, the draft waste strategy, current and future infrastructure, engagement with relevant organisations/stakeholders and assessment of options.

RESOLVED:

THAT the decision of the cabinet member for highways, transport and waste be accepted provided that a regular progress report be submitted to the Economy and Environment Scrutiny Panel.

47. Members Question Time

Cllr Ian Stephens asked if any funding was available from Defra to assist in the council's waste strategy. The cabinet member advised that there was not.

CHAIRMAN