THE CALL IN PERIOD FOR THIS DECISION EXPIRES AT 5.00 PM ON FRIDAY, 21 MAY 2004. THE DECISION CANNOT BE IMPLEMENTED UNTIL AFTER THAT DATE.

RECORD OF DECISION TAKEN UNDER DELEGATED POWERS AT COUNTY HALL, NEWPORT, ISLE OF WIGHT ON WEDNESDAY 16 JUNE 2004

Present:

Mr R R Barry, Portfolio Holder for Resources

Mr P Harris, Deputy Leader

Ms N Hall, Committee Services

23/04 LEASE OF ENTERPRISE HOUSE NEWPORT FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES AND OFFICE MOVES (ACCOMMODATION REVIEW)

Consideration was given to the next phase in a programme of office moves, which included a new lease of Enterprise House as accommodation for Engineering Services and the sale of St Nicholas House. The offices at Enterprise House were currently empty and by moving Engineering Services, which had currently outgrown its office space at Jubilee Stores, would utilise the facility. The Parks Gardens and Beaches unit had recently joined the Environment Services Directorate and would also relocate to Enterprise House. Consumer Protection currently based at St Nicholas, which currently had insufficient accommodation to support the new responsibilities for the licensing service, would then be able to relocate to Jubilee Stores. Further accommodation changes arising from these moves were set out in the report, including options for the Fire Service currently based at St Nicholas. The financial implications of these and other moves were set out in the report and concluded that taking all the proposed moves together the net revenue effect is neutral in relation to existing budgets and here would be a significant capital receipt.

DECISION TAKEN:

THAT a new lease of Enterprise House be entered into under the terms outlined in the report to facilitate the Service Improvement Programme proposed.