MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE PLACE SERVICES & ECONOMIC GROWTH SCRUTINY COMMITTEE HELD AT COUNTY HALL, CHELMSFORD ON 20 JUNE 2013

Present:

Councillor S Walsh (Chairman) Councillor R Hirst Councillor B Aspinell (substitute Councillor J Huntman

for Councillor S Robinson)

Councillor M Buckley Councillor D Kendall
Councillor A Erskine Councillor C Pond
Councillor I Grundy Councillor A Wood

Councillor I Henderson

Also in attendance was Councillor C Guglielmi.

1. Membership

Members noted the membership of the new Committee as set out below:

Councillor S Walsh (Chairman)
Councillor M Buckley
Councillor A Erskine
Councillor I Grundy
Councillor A Hedley
Councillor I Henderson
Councillor R Hirst
Councillor J Huntman
Councillor D Kendall
Councillor M Maddocks
Councillor C Pond
Councillor S Robinson
Councillor J Spence
Councillor A Wood

Councillor Simon Walsh was elected Chairman of the Committee at Full Council in May 2013.

2. Apologies and Substitution Notices

The Committee Officer reported apologies for absence from Councillors M Maddocks and J Spence. An apology was also received from Councillor S Robinson with the substitute being Councillor B Aspinell.

3. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of personal interest.

4. Appointment of Vice-Chairmen

Councillor Ian Grundy was nominated as a Vice-Chairman and with agreement of the Committee was duly appointed.

Councillor Ivan Henderson was nominated as a Vice-Chairman and with the agreement of the Committee was duly appointed.

The Chairman explained that the role of Vice-Chairman would be to assist in formulating the future work programme of the Committee and to act as conduit for members of the Committee in bringing forward items for inclusion in the Forward Look.

5. Minutes

The Minutes of the Committee meeting held on 21 March 2013 were approved as a correct record by those Members who had been in attendance at the last meeting of the Economic Development, Environment and Highways Policy and Scrutiny Committee and signed by the Chairman, subject to an amendment on page 7 of the agenda pack (page 3 Minutes), 3rd bullet to remove the word 'outside'.

6. Committee Terms of Reference

The Committee noted report PSEG/01/13 on the Committee's Terms of Reference.

In response to a question the Chairman clarified that where there were crosscutting issues across more than one Committee remit, the issue would be referred to the Scrutiny Board to take a pragmatic view on how the issue is taken forward.

7. Dates of Future Meetings and Work Programme

The Committee noted report PSEG/02/13 on the Dates of Future Meetings. It was acknowledged that the May 2014 date may need to change if the European Elections take place on the scheduled date.

There being no urgent business the meeting closed at 10.07am.

Chairman