JOINT COMMUNITY SAFETY AND PLANNING & FINANCE AND PROCUREMENT PORTFOLIO DECISION RECORD

17th November **2011**

The meeting commenced at 10.50 a.m. in the Civic Centre, Hartlepool

Present:

The Mayor Stuart Drummond (Community Safety and Planning Portfolio Holder) and Councillor Robbie Payne, (Finance and Procurement Portfolio Holder).

Officers: Graham Frankland, Assistant Director (Resources)

Valerie Hastie, Principal Policy Officer, Sustainability & Energy

Jo Stubbs, Democratic Services Officer

1. Sustainable Construction Strategy (Assistant Director (Resources))

Type of decision

Key - test ii applies

Purpose of report

To seek endorsement for the proposed Sustainable Construction Strategy.

Issue(s) for consideration by Portfolio Holder

In October 2010 the Portfolio Holders agreed to adopt a Sustainable Construction Policy and to receive a draft Sustainable Construction Strategy. This proposed strategy was appended to the report and provided details of the Council's commitment to addressing sustainability issues in all of its construction practices. It will apply to all Council led and managed construction projects including new buildings, renovation and demolition and highways construction and maintenance. In response to a comment from the Mayor the Principal Policy Officer confirmed that use of sustainable energy was also promoted in conservation areas provided there was no visual impact. The Assistant Director (Resources) indicated this could be made explicit within the strategy.

Decision

That the Sustainable Construction Strategy be adopted.

2. Sustainability Policy (Assistant Director (Regeneration and Planning) and Assistant Director (Resources))

Type of decision

Key – test ii applies

Purpose of report

To seek endorsement for the proposed Sustainability Policy.

Issue(s) for consideration by Portfolio Holder

The Portfolio Holders were informed of the need for a Sustainability Policy for use in the tender process. There was an increasing requirement when completing tenders and pre-qualification questionnaires for the Council to confirm their environmental and/or sustainability policies. The proposed policy would satisfy this requirement. It was noted that the Council requested prospective suppliers environmental and/or sustainability policies when requesting tenders as a way of measuring prospective suppliers commitment to sustainability.

Decision

That the Sustainability Policy be adopted.

The meeting concluded at 11.00am

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CHIEF SOLICITOR

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