MINUTES OF THE PROCUREMENT COMMITTEE 25 OCTOBER 2005

Councillors *Milner (Chair), Adje, *Diakides and *Hillman.

* Members present

MINUTE NO. PC42.	ACT SUBJECT/DECISION BY	ACTION BY	
	APOLOGY FOR ABSENCE		
	An apology for absence was submitted by Councillor Adje. An apology for lateness was submitted by Councillor Milner. In the absence of Councillor Milner, Councillor Hillman took the Chair.		
PC43.	MINUTES		
	RESOLVED:		
	That, subject to the deletion of Councillor Adje from the list of Members who had been present on 20 September, the minutes of the meetings held on 20 September and 11 October 2005 be approved and signed.	HMS	
PC44.	THE MERGER OF PATCHWORK HOUSING ASOCIATION WITH COMMUNITY HOUSING ASSOCIATION AND TRANSFER OF CONTRACTS AND UNDERTAKINGS (Report of the Director of Housing Services – Agenda Item 6):		
	We noted that Patchwork Housing Association had been placed under supervision by the Housing Corporation due to concerns about its governance and viability but that with the support and assistance of the Housing Corporation Patchwork had entered into merger negotiations with Community Housing Association. We also noted that the merger negotiations were near completion and both Associations were now in the process of transferring Patchwork's management and undertakings to Community Housing Association.		
	We were informed that Patchwork had two interim Supporting People contracts with the Council which we had approved in June 2003 as part of all Supporting People interim contracts. These approvals had been granted in accordance with the Government's statutory grant conditions and guidance covering the set up of Supporting People interim contracts.		
	At this point Councillor Milner arrived and took the Chair.		
	Details of the contracts which were set out in the Appendix to the interleaved report were the subject of a motion to exclude the press and public from the meeting as they contained exempt information relating to terms proposed or to be proposed to the authority in the course of negotiations for a contract for the acquisition or disposal of property or the supply of goods and services.		

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RESOLVED:

That, in accordance with Contract Standing Order 14, approval be granted to the transfer of the contract for Supporting People services from Patchwork Housing Association to Community Housing Association.

RICHARD MILNER Chair