

USE OF CONTRACTORS WORKING PARTY MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday 2 February 2010 – 6.30 p.m.
Board Room

Attendees

Councillors

P Purver (Chairman)
V Richichi, and A Saffell.

In attendance R Woodward

Officers

Keith Gordon, Senior Scrutiny Officer

1. Apologies for Absence.

There were no apologies for absence.

2. Declarations of Interest

Councillor P Purver declared a personal and prejudicial interest as the employee of a company that undertakes a small amount of irregular contract work for the Council.

3. Use of Contractors

The Senior Scrutiny Officer presented information relating to Place Shaping and Service Transformation.

In referring to the use of sub-contractors, members sought confirmation of the controls exercised by the council of their standards. Members also sought confirmation of the council's ability to require successful bidders to use local workers and materials when possible.

Members wished to be assured that the council explored possible partnership arrangements with other authorities when instructing contractors/consultants.

Members noted the situation regarding information relating to Housing and Street Management. It was **AGREED** to invite the Head of Housing to the next meeting

It was **AGREED** that heads of department be asked to supply details of the consultants and contractors instructed and approximate costs; these details to be circulated to members of the working party to enable appropriate officers to be invited to the next meeting.

4. Date of Next Meeting

It was agreed that the next meeting be held on 3 March 2010
The meeting closed at 7.30 p.m.

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