THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING

OF THE RESOURCES SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

HELD ON THURSDAY 30 MARCH 2006

Present: Councillor A Burnip (Chair) Councillors D Armstrong, B Burn, A Collinson and R Taylor

Apologies: Councillors Mrs S Mason and C Patching

- 1 **THE MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING** held on 7 March 2006, a copy of which had been circulated to each Member, were confirmed.
- 2 **THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE** held on 14 March 2006, a copy of which had been circulated to each Member, were submitted.

RESOLVED that the information contained within the Minutes, be noted.

3 MATTERS ARISING

(i) **Post of Communications and Marketing Manager (Minute no 9 refers)**

Councillor A Collinson expressed concern that the Executive had mainstreamed the post of Communications and Marketing Manager and the Resources Scrutiny Committee had not been consulted.

The Scrutiny Support Manager advised that this post was unique in that the District of Easington and the Easington Primary Care Trust had jointly funded the post.

RESOLVED that the information given, be noted.

(ii) Housing Revenue – Rent Account (Minute no 5 refers)

Councillor D Armstrong queried how the figures referred to in the report compared to last year and were they based on one financial year or had they accrued over a number of years.

The Chair pointed out that details of the tenancies referred to were held in the Rent Section and recovery was pursued wherever possible.

The Scrutiny Support Manager advised that a large proportion of the debt had accrued prior to 1 October 2004. In relation to the figures for the previous year these would be forwarded to Councillor Armstrong following the meeting.

RESOLVED that the Scrutiny Support Manager provide the information requested by Councillor Armstrong.

4 PUBLIC QUESTION AND ANSWER SESSION

There were no members of the public present.

5 COMMUNICATION AND PUBLICITY

There were no items to report.

6 ADDITIONAL URGENT ITEM OF BUSINESS

In accordance with the Local Government Act, 1972, as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information) Act, 1985, Section 100B (4)(b), the Chair, agreed that the following item of business, not shown on the agenda, be considered as a matter of urgency.

7 RESOURCES SCRUTINY PRE-MEETINGS (AOB)

The Chair advised that it was proposed to hold pre-meetings for the Resources Scrutiny Committee. It was suggested that meetings be held at 9am on the same day as the meeting, which would give Members a chance to discuss the agenda prior to the meeting.

RESOLVED that Resources Scrutiny Pre-meetings be held at 9am prior to the meeting of the Resources Scrutiny Committee to be held on the same day.

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