

Meeting: Council

Date: 12 July 2007

Report of: Director of Strategy & Governance

Subject: Executive Committee Response to the Joint Scrutiny Report on Shoreham Airport Landraising

Wards Affected: All

EXTRACT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE POLICY & RESOURCES COMMITTEE HELD ON 28 JUNE 2007

Present: Councillor Oxley (Chair); Councillor Mrs. Brown (Deputy Chair), Councillor Mrs. Mears (Deputy Chair), Councillors Elgood, Hamilton, Hawkes, Kemble, Meadows, Mitchell (OS), Mrs Norman, Norman, Peltzer Dunn, Randall, Taylor and Wrighton.

PART ONE

ACTION

- *11. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE RESPONSE FROM POLICY & RESOURCES TO THE JOINT SCRUTINY REPORT ON SHOREHAM AIRPORT LANDRAISING**
- 11.1 The Committee considered a report of the Director of Strategy & Governance, concerning the proposed response to the recommendations of the Shoreham Airport Joint Scrutiny Panel's report (for copy see minute book). The report outlined the findings of the Scrutiny Panel and proposed that all 21 recommendations should be accepted along with the executive response detailed in appendix 3 to the report.
- 11.2 The Chairman welcomed the report and asked that his gratitude for the Scrutiny Panel's work in relation to the matter be recorded. He believed that the report enabled a line to be drawn under the matter and that lessons learnt could be taken forward.
- 11.3 Councillor Mitchell welcomed the report and stated that she felt it had been an extremely thorough process and the work of the cross-authority scrutiny panel had proved to be very effective and a possible way of working for the future.
- 11.4 Councillor Randall stated that he had been a member of the Panel and whilst the report did provide a way forward, he was disappointed in that it had not been able to determine who had decided the costs were neutral and who had made the decision to start tipping. However, it was important that the recommendations were taken on board for future occasions. He also felt that

recommendation 4 had not been fully addressed in the executive response and asked that consideration be given to having one named officer responsible for providing the briefing to Members.

11.5 RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND –

- (1) That the Panel's report be welcomed as amended by the Overview & Scrutiny Organisation Committee and the Panel be thanked for their work;
- (2) That all 21 recommendations as detailed in the report be accepted;
- (3) That the executive response as detailed in the schedule in appendix 3 to the report be agreed, with the inclusion of a named officer being responsible for the briefing of Members in respect of recommendation 4.

