

## THE EXECUTIVE

Tuesday, 7 March 2006  
(7:00 - 7:15 pm)

**Present:** Councillor C J Fairbrass (Chair), Councillor T G W Wade (Deputy Chair), Councillor J L Alexander, Councillor H J Collins, Councillor C Geddes, Councillor S Kallar, Councillor M A McCarthy, Councillor M E McKenzie and Councillor L A Smith

**Also Present:** Councillor Mrs V Rush

**Apologies:** Councillor G J Bramley

### 267. Minutes (21 February 2006)

**Agreed.**

### 268. Youth Support and Development Service Post-Ofsted Action Plan

Received a report setting out a service action plan to address the recommendations made in the Ofsted Inspection report.

The proposals had been developed to ensure that positive action is taken in response to these recommendations, in order to increase the effectiveness of the work of the YSDS in relation to quality assurance, curriculum development and performance management, and to build on the identified strengths of the service and its wider contribution to the delivery of the Community Priorities and the future Children's Services Plan

**Agreed**, in order to meet a statutory requirement, to approve the Post Ofsted Action Plan for submission to the Government Office for London.

### 269. Corporate Grants 2006/07

Received a report detailing proposals on how the Council's corporate grants and rent programme will be utilised to support local voluntary and community sector organisations in 2006 / 2007.

Noted an additional condition applicable to advice agency grant awards as follows:

'If and when required by the authority to provide such performance and/or financial information and to apply for, achieve and maintain any Quality Mark accreditation required by the authority in connection with any performance related measures or systems to which authority is required to comply'.

**Agreed**, in order to allocate the Corporate Grants Programme funding, and make decisions on the Council budget, to:

1. The allocation of both the corporate grants & rent programme and the grants programme managed by the Social Services and Education

- Departments as set out in paragraph 3.1 and Appendix 1 of the report;
2. The conditions of grant funding as set out in Appendix 1 of the report;
  3. A nine month programme of funding, July 2006 to March 2007 to return to the normal fiscal year of April to March from 2007/2008;
  4. Empower voluntary organisations by moving from 'rent in kind' to cash grants;
  5. A one year capacity building/community cohesion fund of £116,487 (detailed in paragraph 2.5 of the report).

## **270. Private Business**

**Agreed** to exclude the public and press for the remainder of the meeting, as the business was confidential.

## **271. \* The Automotive Upskilling Training Development Programme, London Riverside Limited**

Received a report seeking authority to award a contract without tender for the equipment and services, installation, commission, transport and packaging of a Transport System Conveyer for a training loop. which will provide a separate, non production facility which allows true to life training to be undertaken by Ford employees in a safe learning environment and without any negative impact on production or quality.

**Agreed**, in order to safeguard local employment and secure the future of the Ford Dagenham Engine Plant and to contribute towards the Community Priority of 'Regenerating the Local Economy', to:

1. The award, under the single tender action provisions of paragraph 4.1(d) of the Council's Contract Rules, of a contract for the manufacture and installation of a Transportsystem Conveyer Equipment for a training loop in the Ford Diesel Engine Plant in Dagenham to Johann A. Krause on the terms set out in the report; and
2. That the Corporate Director for Resources be authorised, in consultation with the Solicitor to the Council, to conclude negotiations with the contractor.

(\* Items considered as a matter of urgency with the consent of the Chair under the provisions of Section 100B(4)(b) of the Local Government Act 1972)