EMPLOYEES' CONSULTATIVE FORUM

30 JANUARY 2008

Chairman:	* Councillor Mrs Camilla Bath	
Councillors:	 * David Ashton * Bob Currie * Keith Ferry (2) 	 * Graham Henson * Chris Mote * Paul Osborn
Representatives of HTCC:	(Currently no appointees)	
Representatives of UNISON:	 * Ms M Cawley * Mr S Compton * Ms A Jackson 	* Mr G Martin * Mr R Thomas
Representative of GMB:	* Mr J Dunbar	

* Denotes Member present/Employee Representative present (2) Denote category of Reserve Member

[Ms S George-Duesbury also attended the meeting as a representative of GMB and Harrow Council Black Workers' Group]

99. Draft Capital Programme 2008-09 to 2010-11:

The Forum received a report of the Corporate Director, Finance, setting out the draft Capital Programme for 2008/09 to 2010/11, published as part of the annual budget review process, together with a covering report, which was tabled.

RESOLVED: That the reports be noted.

100. <u>Draft Revenue Budget 2008-09 and Medium Term Financial Strategy 2008-09 to</u> 2010-11:

The Forum received a report of the Corporate Director, Finance, setting out, for the purposes of consultation, the draft Revenue Budget for 2008/09 and Medium-Term Financial Strategy 2008/09 to 2010/2011, together with the tabled covering report referred to in item 99 above. An officer gave a presentation on the proposed budget for 2008/09, with a description of the current position, an analysis of the funding gap, a summary of savings identified, a strategy for closing the funding gap, and the arrangements for consultation. The officer and the Portfolio Holder, Finance and Portfolio Co-ordination, answered questions from union representatives on the impact of savings, the performance of the Council's partners and the cost of hiring consultants. The Portfolio Holder agreed to attend a separate meeting with union representatives to answer more detailed questions on the proposed budget.

RESOLVED: That the report and the comments above be noted.