

REPORT BY THE CHAIRMAN OF THE STRATEGY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE

PART B - REPORTS FOR INFORMATION

1. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ELECTED MEMBER REMUNERATION AND TRADING ENTERPRISES) AMENDMENT BILL

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Corporate Plan Output: Legal Advice	

This Bill has just been introduced into Parliament and has two purposes:

- (a) To increase the accountability of local authority trading enterprises to the wider community by—
 - (i) making it clear that a LATE's primary objective of any successful business includes the objectives (both commercial and non-commercial) specified in the Statement of Corporate Intent;
 - (ii) requires LATEs to act as good employers;
 - (iii) requires LATEs to exhibit a sense of social responsibility;
 - (iv) applies the official information provision (but not the public meeting provisions) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987, and the investigation powers of the Ombudsman under the Ombudsmens Act 1975, to LATEs.
- (b) Provides for the Higher Salaries Commission to determine the remuneration of Mayors, councillors and community board members.

The Legislation Subcommittee will be meeting to consider the detail of the Bill and the Council's response, particularly in relation to the extension of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act and the Ombudsmen's Act to the activities of its local authority trading enterprises.

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Recommendation: That the information be received.

CONSIDERED THIS 14TH DAY OF DECEMBER 2000

MAYOR