#### AGENDA ITEM NO 9

# SELECT COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT – 19<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2005

## RESOLUTION OF THE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC REGENERATION

## REPORT OF THE LEAD OFFICER TO THE COMMITTEE

## 1.0 PURPOSE

1.1 To consider the recommendation made by the Select Committee on Economic Regeneration in relation to the need to update signposting in the Borough.

## 2.0 BACKGROUND

- 2.1 At a meeting of the Economic Regeneration Working Group held on 5th October, 2004 reference was made to the issue of signposting and concern was expressed in relation to a substantial amount of signposting in the Borough being out-of-date. During the discussion particular reference was made to there not being any signposting to the Millennium Point and of the difficulties that are encountered in relation to publicity for business in the Borough.
- 2.2 The Working Group accept that much of the signposting is the responsibility of the Highways Agency, however realise that the Council itself is not precluded from installing its own signs. The Working Group considered that this was an issue that would benefit from consideration by the Select Committee on the Environment.
- 2.3 The recommendations of the Economic Regeneration Working Group were referred to the Select Committee on Economic Regeneration and were considered on 3<sup>rd</sup> November, 2004. At that meeting reference was made to the recent tragic accident that had occurred on King Street and it was specifically requested that signposting on Flood Street and King Street also be considered.

### 3.0 PROPOSALS

3.1 That the Select Committee on the Environment be requested to note the comments made in Section 2.0 above, with a view to reviewing the need for the signposting to be updated in the Borough and in particular on King Street and Flood Street.

## 4.0 FINANCE

4.1 There are no direct costs at this juncture.

- 5.0 LAW
- 5.1 Section 111 of the Local Government Act, 1972 authorises the Council to do anything which is calculated to facilitate or is conducive or incidental to the discharge of any of its statutory functions.
- 6.0 **EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES**
- 6.1 This report accords with the Council's policy on equal opportunities.
- 7.0 <u>RECOMMENDATIONS</u>
- 7.1 That the proposal set out in Section 3 above be approved.
- 8.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS
- 8.1 Report to Select Committee on Economic Regeneration 3<sup>rd</sup> November, 2004
- 8.2 Notes of Economic Regeneration Working Group held on 5<sup>th</sup> October, 2004.

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