

MINUTES OF THE CJC MEETING ON 24 SEPTEMBER 2004 AT THE IPF CONFERENCE CENTRE

Present – Chris Buss (CIPFA), Suzanne Dowse (secretary), John Holman (CIOH), Brian Jervis, (SCQS), Mair Molteno (LGA), Henry Merritt (LGA), Sue Moorcroft (CIPS), Nick Powell (CSS), John Serle (SOCITM), Will Werry (chair)

Apologies - Bob Atkins (APA), John Blair (APSE), Clive Bone (IQA), Sheila Boyce (ALARM), Ossie Dodds (PSnet), Louise Dunne (IPF), Roy Fairclough (TAG), Steve Gilby (CIPS), Phil Hall (Audit Commission), Richard Harbord (IRRV), John Hesp (vice chair, LGA), Anna Klonowski (LGA), Lesley Lodge (CIPFA), John Plumb (IPF), Ralph Riley (ISRM), Richard Schmidt (CIPFA), Derek Stacey (SOPO),

1 The second edition of the **CJC standing guide to commissioning**

- ¥ revised draft contents and sequence agreed, subject to
 - adding a section on 'the choice of procedures' after new section 38
 - enlarging the new section 66 (on competition law) to cover also the uncertainties as to what constitutes discrimination
- ¥ confirmed that the updated Guide should
 - reflect the new EU consolidating directive
 - explain that any entirely new provisions will not apply until 01.01.2006
- ¥ all members being invited to suggest new areas for coverage. Suggestions to be sent to the chair if possible by Friday 15 October

2 **ODPM consultation document on access to information** – agreed to

- ¥ give further consideration to the status of the proposed amended Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 for the purposes of the Freedom of Information Act 2000
- ¥ subject to any further information obtained, support the recommendations of the ODPM Information Working Group – draft to be circulated
- ¥ enlarge the CJC note (new section 75) on Access to Information accordingly – draft to be circulated

3 **CJC guide to the future of LA housing stocks** – agreed to publish as soon as possible subject to

- ¥ coverage of Scotland & Wales so far as affected
- ¥ division of old part 6 (self funding) into
 - new part 6 – service charges to tenants & leaseholders
 - new part 7 – prudential borrowing & revenue contributions
 - new part 8 – major repairs allowances
 - new part 9 – capital receipts and capital allowances (old 6.15 to 25)
 - at end of part 1 – old 6.60
- ¥ adding to part 1 to refer to the exceptional difficulty of ascertaining the real rules under which practitioners operate.
- ¥ explaining in part 5 that the form of PFI contracts makes it impossible to identify expenditure for the purposes of virtually all current leases.
- ¥ modifying 4.24.1 and 3.31

4 Agreed to respond to the **OGC consultation on Treasury regulations** implementing the consolidating directives into UK law

5 **Calendar of Meetings for 2004 & 2005** noted -

25 November 2004 - CJC conference

26 November 2004	28 January 2005	18 March 2005	27 May 2005
29 July 2005	30 September 2005	25 November 2005	

Approved and signed

Will Werry, chair, 24 September 2004