

ITEM NO: 4

EXECUTIVE DECISION MAKING

RECORD OF THE DECISION MAKING HELD ON 19 APRIL 2010

Present:

Councillor Holmes	-	Children's Services and Learning
Councillor Williams	-	Housing and Local Services
Councillor Hannides	-	Leisure, Culture and Heritage
Councillor Walker	-	Safeguarding Children and Youth Services

COUNCILLOR WILLIAMS, CHAIRMAN

186 RECORD OF THE PREVIOUS DECISION MAKING

The record of the Executive decision making held on 15th March 2010 and 19th March 2010 were received and noted as a correct record.

187 REPORTS FROM OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEES (IF ANY)

On consideration of the report of the Chair of the Safer Communities Scrutiny Panel detailing the Panel's inquiry and presenting its final report into Domestic Violence the decision maker agreed the following:

- (i) To receive the attached inquiry report on domestic violence to enable the Executive to formulate its response to the recommendations contained within it, in order to comply with the requirements set out in the Council's Constitution.

188 HOUSING REVENUE ACCOUNT (HRA) CAPITAL PROGRAMME - VARIOUS SCHEME APPROVALS PHASE 1 2010/11

DECISION MADE: (Ref: CAB 09/10 3140)

On consideration of the report of the Cabinet Member for Housing and Local Services, seeking formal approval of Phase 1 Various Schemes in the approved HRA Capital Programme commencing in 2010/11, the decision maker agreed the following:

- (i) To approve in accordance with Financial Procedure Rules an overall increase in the approval to spend across the following schemes

	2010/11 £000s	2011/12 £000s
<u>Decent Homes</u>		
Structural Works	400	0
Total Decent Homes	<u>400</u>	
<u>Decent Homes Plus</u>		
Adaptations for Disabled People	1,350	1,350-
Energy Saving Programme	400	-
Heating System Upgrade Programme	250	
Window Replacement Programme	648	1,150
Programme Management Fees	400	-
Door Entry – Millbrook/Maybush (formerly Crime Reduction and Safety 2010/11)	450	-
Total Decent Homes Plus	<u>3,498</u>	<u>2,500</u>
TOTAL	<u>3,898</u>	<u>2,500</u>

- (ii) To approve, in accordance with Financial Procedure Rules, an amendment to the HRA Capital Programme in relation to the Millbrook Parking capital project to rephase expenditure of £225,000 from 2011/12 to 2010/11

189 **NEWTOWN ADVENTURE PLAYGROUND: APPROVAL TO SPEND ON REBUILDING PROJECT**

DECISION MADE: (Ref: CAB 09/10 3214)

On consideration of the Head of Infrastructure and Capital Projects seeking approval for expenditure on the rebuilding of Newtown Adventure Playground, the decision maker agreed the following:

- (i) To vire in accordance with Financial Procedure Rules a sum of £422,900 within the Children's Services and Learning Capital programme for the Newtown Adventure Playground, funded from Extended Schools and Modernisation Grant
- (ii) To approve in accordance with Financial Procedure Rules capital expenditure in the sum of £422,900 including fees from the Children's Services and Learning Capital Programme for the rebuilding of the play building at Newtown Adventure Playground (Northumberland Road)

190 **ACCEPTANCE OF ADDITIONAL GOVERNMENT FUNDING FOR TARGETED MENTAL HEALTH IN SCHOOLS PROGRAMME**

DECISION MADE: (Ref: CAB 09/10 3228)

On consideration of the report of the Cabinet member for Safeguarding Children and Young People seeking acceptance of additional Government funding for the Targeted Mental Health in Schools project , the decision maker agreed the following:

- (i) To accept Government grant funding of £222,500 for one year for the Targeted Mental Health in Schools programme
- (ii) To delegate authority to the Executive Director of Children's Services and Learning to do anything necessary to deliver the TaMHS project subject to remaining within the overall approved funding

191 **EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC - CONFIDENTIAL PAPERS INCLUDED IN THE FOLLOWING ITEM**

Councillor Williams moved that in accordance with the Council's Constitution, specifically the Access to Information Procedure Rules contained within the Constitution, the press and public be excluded from the meeting in respect of any consideration of the Confidential Appendices 1 and 2 to Item No 12.

Confidential Appendices 1 and 2 contain information deemed to be exempt from general publication by virtue of Category 3 of paragraph 10.4 of the Council's Access to Information Procedure Rules as contained in the constitution.

The appendices include details of a proposed transaction which, if disclosed prior to entering into a contract, could put the Council at a commercial disadvantage in the future. In applying the public interest test it is not considered appropriate to make public offers made as this could lead to a revision of bids and therefore publication of this information could be to the Council's financial detriment.

192 **PURCHASE OF PROPERTY IN CONNECTION WITH THE ESTATE REGENERATION PROGRAMME**

DECISION MADE: (Ref: CAB 09/10 3439)

On consideration of the report of the Cabinet Member for Housing and Local Services, seeking authority to purchase properties in relation to the Estate Regeneration Programme, the decision maker agreed the following:

- (i) To negotiate and acquire by agreement any legal interests in the properties listed at Confidential Appendix 2 and not held by the Council;

- (ii) To delegate authority to Head of Property and Procurement to negotiate final terms and to undertake such ancillary action as necessary in order to exchange contracts for the purchase of the property with vacant possession;
- (iii) To authorise the Solicitor to the Council to enter into any legal documentation necessary in respect of the purchase and any ancillary action to facilitate the purchase;
- (iv) To hold the acquired properties within the Housing Revenue Account pending future estate regeneration;
- (v) To reduce the uncommitted provision in the 2012/2013 HRA capital programme for "Future Estate Regeneration schemes" by the sum specified in Confidential Appendix 1 and to add a scheme to the 2010/2011 HRA capital programme for the "Acquisition of properties" for the same value; and
- (vi) To approve, in accordance with Finance Procedure Rules, expenditure in 2010/2011 in the sum set out in the Confidential Appendix 1 for the acquisition of properties.