

EXECUTIVE DECISION MAKING
RECORD OF THE DECISION MAKING HELD ON 12 MARCH 2012

Present:

Councillor Smith	-	Leader of the Council
Councillor Moulton	-	Cabinet Member for Children's Services and Learning
Councillor Baillie	-	Cabinet Member for Housing
Councillor Fitzhenry	-	Cabinet Member for Environment and Transport
Councillor Hannides	-	Cabinet Member for Resources, Leisure and Culture
Councillor White	-	Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care and Health

88. RECORD OF THE PREVIOUS DECISION MAKING

The record of the Executive decision making held on 6th and 13th February 2012 were agreed as a correct record.

89. PROCESS FOR AWARDING GRANTS TO VOLUNTARY ORGANISATIONS FROM 2013/14

DECISION MADE: (Ref: CAB 11/12 7591)

On consideration of the report of the Cabinet Member for Housing and having received representations from a Member of the Council, Cabinet agreed the following:

- (i) To approve in principle, an outcome-based commissioned grants model to award longer term grants (2 or 3 years) from the Grants to Voluntary Organisations budget from 2013/14.
- (ii) To approve the annual publication of the value of "help in kind" contribution from the Council to the voluntary and community sector from 2013/14.
- (iii) To delegate authority to the Director of Economic Development, following consultation with the Cabinet Member for Housing, to do anything necessary to give effect to the recommendations contained in this report.

90. SAINT GEORGE CATHOLIC VA COLLEGE SOUTHAMPTON PROPOSALS TO CHANGE STATUS TO A MIXED-SEX SCHOOL

DECISION MADE: (Ref: CAB 11/12 7843)

On consideration of the report of the Cabinet Member for Children's Services and Learning and having received representations from the Head Teacher of Saint George Catholic College and Members of the Council, Cabinet agreed the following:

- (i) To consider and take into account the outcome of stakeholder consultation, as set out in Appendices 2 and 6.
- (ii) Having had regard to the statutory decision makers guidance and the legal implications under the Equality Act 2010 set out in Confidential

Appendix 7, to approve the prescribed alteration to Saint George Catholic VA College by changing the character of the school from a single sex boys school to a mixed school by admitting both boys and girls to year 7 from 1st September 2013.

- (iii) To grant a Transitional Exemption Order in relation to the Sex Discrimination Act 1975 (the 'SDA') for a period of four years from the date of implementation of the proposals to allow for the change from single sex to co-educational to be phased, as set out in the published proposals.

91. ADMISSION ARRANGEMENTS FOR COMMUNITY AND VOLUNTARY CONTROLLED SCHOOLS FOR ACADEMIC YEAR 2013/14

DECISION MADE (Ref: CAB 11/12 7984)

On consideration of the report the Cabinet Member for Children's Services and Learning made the following decision:

- (i) that the responses from the consultation with Southampton Admissions Forum, schools, other relevant admission authorities, and the Church of England and Roman Catholic dioceses be noted;
- (ii) that the admissions policies and the published admission numbers (PANs) for community and voluntary controlled schools, including Bitterne Park selection by aptitude and 6th form arrangements; the schemes for co-ordinating primary and secondary admissions for the academic year 2013-14; and the scheme for co-ordinating in year admissions from September 2012 as set out in Appendices 1- 7 be approved;
- (iii) that the Executive Director for Children's Services and Learning be authorised to take any action necessary to give effect to the above proposals and to make any changes necessary to the Admissions Policies where required to give effect to any Acts, Regulations or revised Admissions or Admissions Appeals Codes or binding Schools Adjudicator. Court or Ombudsman decisions whensoever's arising.

92. HOUSES IN MULTIPLE OCCUPATION SUPPLEMENTARY PLANNING DOCUMENT (SPD)

DECISION MADE REF: (CAB 11/12 7524)

On consideration of a report by the Cabinet Member for Environment and Transport, having received representations from local residents and Members of the Council, Cabinet agreed the following:

- (i) To consider the comments received during the consultation exercise undertaken on the Houses in Multiple Occupation Supplementary Planning Document as set out in the Schedule of Comments attached as Appendix 1.
- (ii) To adopt the Houses in Multiple Occupation Supplementary Planning Document attached as Appendix 2 on 23rd March 2012.
- (iii) To delegate authority to the Senior Manager, Planning Transport and Sustainability to make minor editing changes to the document prior to publication.

NOTE:

Councillor Fitzhenry declared a personal interest in this item as a landlord without HMO status and remained at the meeting for the item.

93. APPROVAL TO SPEND CAPITAL FUNDING ON ENVIRONMENT AND TRANSPORT PORTFOLIO SCHEMES 2012/13

DECISION MADE REF: (CAB 11/12 7525)

On consideration of the report of the Cabinet Member for Environment and Transport, Cabinet agreed the following:

- (i) To approve capital variations totalling £1,230,000 in 2012/13 to the programme agreed at Council on 15th February 2012, as detailed in Appendix 4;
- (ii) To approve the addition of £317,000 to the Environment and Transport Capital Programme funded from additional Local Transport Plan Government Grant, as detailed in Appendix 4;
- (iii) To note that as part of the above recommendations, a major scheme to resurface Redbridge Roundabout is created with a budget of £1,200,000;
- (iv) To note the £1,871,000 scheme for City Centre Improvements includes a Local Transport Plan contribution of £412,000 towards the Platform to Prosperity Project, which is the subject of a report elsewhere on the Agenda.

94. DELIVERY OF THE LOCAL SUSTAINABLE TRANSPORT FUND AND EUROPEAN REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT FUND PROGRAMMES

DECISION MADE REF: (CAB 11/12 7981)

On consideration of the report of the Cabinet Member for Environment and Transport, Cabinet agreed the following:

- (i) To delegate authority to the Director of Economic Development to establish a shared service 'soft partnership' to deliver Local Sustainable Transport Fund projects;
- (ii) To delegate authority to the Director of Economic Development to pursue shared service opportunities with Hampshire County Council, Poole and Bournemouth and other local authorities with appropriate risk share arrangements based on proportionality;
- (iii) To invite the University of Southampton, Sustrans, Hampshire County Council (when and if they confirm a wish to enter into a shared service arrangement), health representative and the Solent LEP, to form active project boards with appropriate terms of reference and governance arrangements to oversee delivery;
- (iv) To delegate authority to the Director of Economic Development in consultation with the Director of Corporate Services, the Head of Legal, HR and Democratic Services and the Senior Manager Finance and following consultation with the Cabinet member for Environment and Transport to finalise the following detail:
 - (a) recruitment of up to three new three year fixed-term posts to the end of the funding agreement:
 - 1 x Travel Choices Programme Manager
 - 1 x LSTF Project Manager,

1 x Marketing Officer;

- (b) These new posts will join 3 existing staff from the Transport and Travel Team;
- (c) agreeing a location for the team that maximises benefits to the operation of the partnership;
- (d) arrangements for the secondment of 3 Sustrans staff (existing Sustrans employees to be seconded into SCC for the period of the funding);
- (e) terms of reference and governance arrangements of the project board referred to in recommendation (iii);
- (f) the content and form of any legal or other agreements , documentation or other arrangements necessary to implement and support the creation of a soft partnership (including entering into such agreements etc on behalf of the Council).

95. HOUSING REVENUE ACCOUNT (HRA) - VARIOUS SCHEME APPROVAL CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2012/13 PHASE 1

DECISION MADE REF: (CAB 11/12 7694)

On consideration of the report of the Cabinet Member for Housing, Cabinet agreed the following:

- (i) To approve in accordance with Financial Procedure Rules capital expenditure of £74,667,000 phased £9,924,000 in 2012/13, £21,884,000 in 2013/14, £23,235,000 in 2014/15 and £19,634,000 in 2015/16 provision for which exists within the unapproved section of the HRA Capital Programme, as detailed in the following table:

	2012/13	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16
	000's	000's	000's	000's
<u>Safe, wind and Weather tight.</u>				
Door Entry Systems	0	214	222	229
External Doors - Flats	0	4	123	117
External Doors - Houses	0	327	202	8
Supported Housing 2 Storey Walkway Repairs	N/A*	1,071	1,109	1,146
Pitched roofs	161	1,310	610	163
Flat Roofs (2012/13 includes International Way)	934	1,146	1,188	1,226
Chimney associated works	50	568	231	20
Wall structure and finish	155	940	1,562	289
Windows	978	380	424	211
Electrical Risers	459	964	998	0
Structural Works – various	414	428	444	458
<u>Total Safe, Wind and Weather Tight</u>	<u>3,151</u>	<u>7,352</u>	<u>7,113</u>	<u>3,867</u>
<u>Warm and Energy Efficient</u>				
Landlord Meter conversions	175	182	189	195

* The 2012/13 expenditure for these items have already received scheme approval in December 2011

Loft insulation & pipe lagging	59	61	64	66
External Cladding (flats)	1,022	0	0	0
Electrical systems (communal areas)	1,033	701	491	259
Total Warm and Energy Efficient	2,289	944	744	520
Modern Facilities				
Bathroom Refurbishment	N/A*	2,956	3,063	3,163
Kitchen Refurbishment	N/A*	5,986	6,201	6,404
Central heating, Gas boiler replacement	1,351	1,782	1,846	1,906
Central heating (wet and electrical), pipework/circuits	133	238	1,570	1,570
Disabled Adaptations	927	964	998	1,031
Supported Housing Bathroom programme	412	428	444	458
Programme Management fees	535	N/A	N/A	N/A
Total Modern Facilities	3,358	12,354	14,122	14,532
Well Maintained Communal Facilities				
Communal Area Works	355	680	692	715
Lift refurbishment	621	554	564	0
Decent Neighbourhoods Schemes	250	0	0	0
Total Well Maintained Communal Facilities	1,126	1,234	1,256	715
Total	9,924	21,884	23,235	19,634

96. LOCALISM ACT: CONSULTATION - TENANCY STRATEGY 2012-2016

DECISION MADE REF: (CAB 11/12 7996)

On consideration of eh report of the Cabinet Member for Housing Cabinet made the following decision:

- (i) To approve the draft tenancy strategy subject to consultation with stakeholders.
- (ii) Following consultation to authorise officers to implement the tenancy strategy. Should significant issues arise then the matter will be referred back to Cabinet for further consideration.
- (iii) To delegate authority to the Senior Manager, Housing Services to develop and implement both the landlord tenancy policy and the allocations policy following completion of the tenancy strategy in consultation with Director Environment and Cabinet Member for Housing.

97. MASTER PLAN FOR ESTATE REGENERATION FOR TOWNHILL PARK

DECISION MADE REF: (CAB 11/12 7817)

On consideration of the report of the Cabinet Member for Housing Cabinet agreed the following:

- (i) To approve the report of the Cabinet Member for Housing on the principles of the Townhill Park Regeneration Framework and Master Plan based on the modified Central Park option and to delegate authority to the Director of Economic Development to finalise the Townhill Park Regeneration Framework and Master Plan including commissioning and approving studies following consultation with Director of Environment, Head of Finance and IT and the Cabinet Member for Housing and Leader of the Council.
- (ii) To approve in principle the redevelopment of Townhill Park in three phases with the following zones in each phase:
Phase 1 comprising zones 1, 11 (interim uses), 25, 34, and 35
Phase 2 comprising zones 9, 11 (redevelopment), 12, 19, 20, 27 and 28
Phase 3 comprising zones 13, 14, 17, 24, 29, 30, and 33
including additional open space improvements incorporated in the Master Plan
and to delegate authority to the Director of Economic Development, following consultation with the Director of Environment, Head of Finance and IT and the Cabinet Member for Housing to move or amend zones within phases following completion of the remaining studies and to decide when to implement the additional open spaces and highways improvements incorporated in the Master Plan.
- (iii) To approve the virement of £156,000 in 2012/13 from the uncommitted Estate Wide provision for Estate Regeneration to the Townhill Park Master Plan budget in 2012/13 to enable the remaining studies to be completed and to increase, in accordance with finance procedure rules, approved spending limits for Townhill Park by the same amount.
- (iv) To delegate authority to serve Initial Demolition Notices as appropriate on all 3 Phases of the proposed redevelopment to the Director of Economic Development following consultation with the Cabinet Member for Housing, Head of Legal, HR and Democratic Services and Head of Finance and IT.
- (v) Subject to the affordability assessment, the availability of relevant HRA and General Fund budgets and the completion of the assessment of the delivery options:
- To implement the current Decant Policy in relation to Phase 1 only,
 - To delegate authority to the Senior Manager Property and Procurement to negotiate and acquire by agreement any legal interests or rights held in respect of Phase 1, not held by the Council, using such acquisition powers as the Head of Legal HR and Democratic Services advises. In each case subject to confirmation from Capita, acting as independent valuers, that the price represents the appropriate Market Value.
 - To delegate authority to the Director for Economic Development, following consultation with the Director of Environment, Head of Finance and IT and Cabinet Member for Housing, and Senior Manager Property and Procurement to:
 - Produce a Development Brief for Phase 1
 - Undertake a procurement process using the Homes and Communities Agency's Delivery Partner Panel (HCA DPP) Framework for Phase 1.
- (vi) To note that there will be a further report to Cabinet in due course seeking authority to approve a preferred bidder and seeking consent to dispose of the sites in Phase 1.

98. FREEMANTLE COMMON: DISPOSAL OF PROPERTY AND DE-REGISTRATION/EXCHANGE OF COMMON LAND

DECISION MADE REF (CAB 11/12 7972)

On consideration of the report of the Cabinet Member for Resources, Leisure and Culture, Cabinet agreed the following:

- (i) To authorise the Head of Legal, HR and Democratic Services to make an application to the Secretary of State for the de-registration and exchange of common land identified on the plan at Appendix 1.
- (ii) To authorise the Head of Legal, HR and Democratic Services to advertise the proposed appropriation of common land proposed to be deregistered and open space at Freemantle Common Road identified on the plan at Appendix 1 for two consecutive weeks in a local newspaper.
- (iii) If no objections are received, and subject to obtaining Secretary of State's consent to the exchange of common land, to authorise the Senior Manager: Property, Procurement and Contract Management to appropriate the required areas of common land and open space for highway purposes.
- (iv) In the event that any objections are received to the proposed appropriation to bring a subsequent report and refer those objections to Cabinet for determination.
- (v) To delegate authority to the Senior Manager: Property, Procurement and Contract Management to approve the preferred tender, agree the terms of the sale and to carry out all ancillary matters to dispose of the site.

99. PROPERTY DISPOSAL PROGRAMME - APPROVAL TO DETAILED TERMS

DECISION MADE REF: (CAB 11/12 7971)

On consideration of the report of the Cabinet Member for Resources, Leisure and Culture, Cabinet agreed the following:

- (i) to approve the principle of the disposal of the Council's freehold investments at The Shirley Centre and The David Lloyd Leisure Centre;
- (ii) to delegate authority to the Senior Manager, Property, Procurement and Contract Management after consultation with the Director for Corporate Services and the Cabinet Member for Resources, Leisure and Culture to approve the sale to the preferred bidders at not less than the minimum prices set out in the confidential appendix, and to subsequently negotiate and carry out all ancillary matters to enable disposal of the sites;
- (iii) that the Head of Legal, HR and Democratic Services be authorised to enter into any legal documentation necessary in respect of the sales;
- (iv) to note that the estimated value of the capital receipt from these disposals had already been built into the funding of the capital programme. Any receipt higher than the estimate will be used to reduce the funding deficit. A receipt lower than this will increase the deficit;

- (v) to authorise the Head of Legal, HR and Democratic Services to advertise the proposed disposal of the David Lloyd Centre (held under the Public Health Acts) in accordance with Section 123 Local Government Act 1972; and
- (vi) should any objections be received, to refer these objections to Cabinet for determination. If no objections are received, to authorise the freehold disposal of the David Lloyd Centre on the terms set out in this report without further referral to Cabinet.

100. DRAFT PUBLIC HEALTH TRANSITION PLAN (YEAR 2)

DECISION MADE REF (CAB 11/12 8043)

On consideration of the report of the Director of Public Health, Cabinet agreed the following:

- (i) That the draft Transition Plan be approved as the basis for the continuing work in 2012/13 to ensure that public health is transferred to the local authority and delivered effectively as a City Council service from 1st April 2013.
- (ii) That the Director for Adult and Social Care and Director of Public Health be authorised to take all such necessary actions to ensure the transfer of functions to the Council in accordance with the Transition Plan.