

Notes of Key Decisions/Action Points

Meeting: Cabinet

Date: 24 July 2012

<u>Agenda Item</u>	<u>Decision</u>	<u>Contact Portfolio Holder/ Officer</u>
24 July 2012 CA/075/12 Item 1 Minutes.	The minutes of the meeting held on 26 June 2012 were agreed by the members present and signed by the Chairman.	
24 July 2012 CA/076/12 Item 2 Apologies for Absence.	There were no apologies for absence.	
24 July 2012 CA/077/12 Item 3 Declarations of Interest.	There were no declarations of interest.	
24 July 2012 CA/078/12 Item 4 Public Participation.	There was no public participation.	
24 July 2012 CA/079/12 Item 5 Referrals to Cabinet	There were no referrals to Cabinet.	
24 July 2012 CA/080/12 Item 6 Cabinet Four Month Work Programme.	That the Cabinet Four-Month Work Programme be noted.	Corporate Management Team.
24 July 2012 CA/081/12 Item 7 Destination Dacorum (Sustainable Community Strategy).	That Council be recommended to adopt ‘Destination Dacorum – Our Plan’ as contained in Annex 1 of the report.	Cllr A Williams, Portfolio Holder for Community Leadership; Natalie Webb, Team Leader, Policy, Partnerships and Innovation.
24 July 2012 CA/082/12 Item 8	1. That the draft Hemel Hempstead Town Centre Masterplan be approved for consultation purposes.	Cllr T Douris, Portfolio Holder for Planning and

<p>Hemel Hempstead Town Centre Regeneration - Hemel Hempstead Town Centre Masterplan and Jellicoe Gardens Heritage Lottery Fund Bid.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. That the Stage 1 Heritage Lottery Fund Parks for People bid be approved, as outlined in the report, to secure funding to support a programme of approximately £3.5 million for restoration and intervention works to the registered Jellicoe Water Gardens. 3. That the requirement to deliver match funding towards the project be noted and, dependent on Heritage Lottery Fund approval at Stage 1, officers be requested to work up detailed proposals which reflect the needs of the scheme to deliver the key objectives and bid criteria, with regard to the likely level of capital resources available at that time, and for these to be considered by the Capital Strategy Steering Group for inclusion in the Capital Programme for 2014/15 and beyond. 4. That the approach proposed to resolve the Environment Agency's concerns regarding the restoration of the Jellicoe Water Gardens and compliance with the Water Framework Directive, to include a bid to the Catchment Restoration Fund, and/or other external funding awards to provide offsite mitigation works, be approved and that final decisions on this matter and the content of such funding bids be delegated to the Portfolio Holder for Planning and Regeneration in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Finance and Resources. 5. That the need for additional revenue commitments required to operate the Gardens to high levels of maintenance and management, including new community building, public toilets, community involvement and learning opportunities from January 2017 onwards, should the bid be successful, be noted. 	<p>Regeneration; James Doe, Assistant Director, Planning, Development and Regeneration; Nathalie Bateman, Team Leader, Strategic Planning and Regeneration.</p>
<p>24 July 2012 CA/083/12 Item 9</p> <p>Procurement Options Appraisal of the Models of Delivery Available for Housing Repairs, Maintenance, New Build and Improvements.</p>	<p>That the scope and progress of the options appraisal be noted and that options 1, 2 and 5 are taken forward to be considered in more detail.</p>	<p>Cllr M Griffiths, Portfolio Holder for Housing; Mark Gaynor, Corporate Director, Housing and Regeneration; Fiona Williamson, Group Manager, Property and Place; Elliott Brooks, Assistant Director, Housing Landlord.</p>
<p>24 July 2012 CA/084/12 Item 10</p> <p>Medium Term</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. That Council be recommended to approve the revised Medium Term Financial Strategy for the period 2012/13 to 2015/16. 2. That further updates as required be given to Cabinet 	<p>Cllr N Tiley, Portfolio Holder for Finance and Resources; Sally Marshall,</p>

Financial Strategy.	following the receipt of further information and confirmation of the Local Government Financial Settlement 2013/14.	Corporate Director (Finance and Governance).
<p>24 July 2012 CA/085/12 Item 11</p> <p>Local Government Resource Review.</p>	<p>Localisation of Council Tax Support</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. That consultation with all interested parties is undertaken on the basis that an overall scheme for Council Tax Support is developed which provides protection for the vulnerable groups listed in Table 2 of the report. 2. That authority be delegated to the Leader of the Council and the Portfolio Holder for Finance & Resources, in consultation with the Corporate Director (Finance and Governance), to agree a draft Localisation of Council Tax Support scheme for consultation which incorporates options set out in paragraph 19 and appendix A of the report. 3. That the Corporate Director (Finance and Governance) be requested to examine options to simplify the existing scheme regulations to reduce costs of administering the scheme 4. That it be noted that Government funding to pay for the Localisation of Council Tax Support will be switched from annually managed expenditure (AME) grant, recovered against the full cost of benefits awarded, to a departmental expenditure limit (DEL) grant resulting in a fixed grant, and that this will be reduced by 10% (compared to forecasted spend for 2013/14) with an estimated financial impact for the Council of a real terms reduction of funding of £130k <p>Business rates retention</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 5. That the timetable for developing the 2013/14 budget be approved on the basis of the best estimates of business rates and other external income available at the relevant point in the budget preparation process. <p>Technical reforms of Council Tax</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 6. That authority be delegated to the Leader of the Council and the Portfolio Holder for Finance and Resources, in consultation with the Corporate Director (Finance and Governance), to approve draft consultation proposals for varying existing Council Tax Discounts and exemptions to provide greater incentives for landlords to bring empty properties back into use 	<p>Cllr N Tiley, Portfolio Holder for Finance and Resources; Sally Marshall, Corporate Director (Finance and Governance).</p>
<p>24 July 2012 CA/086/12 Item 12</p> <p>Private Sector Leasing Report.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. That Council be recommended to approve that a supplementary budget estimate of £80k be made in respect of predicted increases in temporary accommodation expenditure in 2012/13 and that this be financed from the General Fund Working 	<p>Cllr M Griffiths, Portfolio Holder for Housing; Julia Hedger, Group Manager, Strategic Housing;</p>

	<p>Balance.</p> <p>2. That the establishment of a Private Sector Leasing Scheme in Dacorum be approved, based on the business case set out in the Appendix to the report.</p> <p>3. That Council be recommended to approve supplementary revenue estimates for Private Sector Leasing as follows:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Income £15,420</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Expenditure £12,810</p> <p>4. That detailed arrangements for commencement and implementation of the Private Sector Leasing Scheme be delegated to the Portfolio Holder for Housing, subject to the satisfaction of the Statutory Officers.</p>	<p>Jack Burnham, Housing Strategy and Development Team Leader.</p>
<p>24 July 2012 CA/087/12 Item 13</p> <p>Exclusion of the Public.</p>	<p>That, under s.100A (4) of the Local Government Act 1972 Schedule 12A Part 1, as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006, the public be excluded during the items in Part II of the Agenda for the meeting, because it was likely, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted, that, if members of the public were present during those items, there would be disclosure to them of exempt information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information). Minutes CA/088/12 and CA/089/12.</p>	
<p>24 July 2012 CA/088/12 Item 12, Appendix 1</p> <p>Private Sector Leasing Report.</p>	<p>This appendix was considered in Part 2 of the meeting in relation to Agenda Item 12.</p> <p>The decision was made in Part 1 of the meeting (Minute CA/086/12).</p>	<p>Cllr M Griffiths, Portfolio Holder for Housing; Julia Hedger, Group Manager, Strategic Housing; Jack Burnham, Housing Strategy and Development Team Leader.</p>
<p>24 July 2012 CA/089/12 Item 14</p> <p>Hemel Hempstead Town Centre Regeneration - Public Service Quarter Procurement.</p>	<p>That the recommendation as detailed in the report be agreed.</p> <p>Full details are in the Part 2 decision sheet.</p>	<p>Cllr T Douris, Portfolio Holder for Planning and Regeneration; Cllr N Tiley, Portfolio Holder for Finance and Resources; Mark Gaynor, Corporate Director, Housing and Regeneration; James Doe, Assistant Director, Planning, Development and Regeneration.</p>

This Decision Sheet is published today, 26 July 2012. The Call-In deadline is 5.00 pm on 2 August 2012.