Notes of Key Decisions/ Action Points

Meeting: Council

Date: 30 September 2015

Agenda Item	Decision
Item 1 Minutes	Councillor G Sutton Portfolio Holder for Planning and Regeneration proposed an amendment to his report on page 17 of the minutes of 15 July 2015. Symbio House had 208 apartments and not 2018 apartments. The amendment was agreed. The amended minutes of the meeting held on 15 July 2015 were agreed by the Members present and were then signed by the Mayor.
Item 2 Declarations of Interest	None.
Item 3 Public Participation	None.
Item 4 Announcements	 By the Mayor: None By the Chief Executive: None By the Group Leaders: Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillors S Adshead and W Wyatt – Lowe. Councillor Tindall submitted apologies on behalf of Councillor Ransley. Councillor Bateman was absent. By the Leader and Members of the Cabinet: (Full details are in the minutes under Announcements of the Leader and Cabinet Members).
Item 5 Questions	None.
Item 6 Notice of Motion	The following Notice of Motion was moved by Councillor Tindall and, duly seconded:.

	 Council recognised that the UN High Commissioner for refugees has stated that Syria "has become the greatest tragedy of this century –a disgraceful humanitarian calamity with suffering and displacement unparalleled in recent history",
	 Council noted that over six million people have been displaced in Syria and over three million people have fled to nearby countries,
	 Council noted that thousands of displaced Syrian people have attempted to cross the Mediterranean to seek asylum and have died in the process,
	4. Council, mindful of the tragic events in the Mediterranean and elsewhere and noting the comments of the Prime Minister for the United Kingdom to fulfil its moral responsibility and give sanctuary to refugees from war, instructs the Chief Executive to advise the Government that Dacorum will commit to receive and support its share of refugee families, in cooperation with the County Council and other local councils in Hertfordshire.
	5. The Chief Executive is requested to refer to the position of the Local Government Association in her communication to the Government, highlighting the already stretched resources of local government and the extra resources such assistance will require,
	 That the Leader of the Council in consultation with the Chief Executive take the necessary action needed to implement the assistance outlined in paragraphs 4 and 5 of this motion.
Item 7 Business from last	None.
Business from last Council	
Item 8	Resolved
Referrals from Cabinet	That the following be approved:
	21 July 2015
	8.1 CA/061/15 MEDIUM TERM FINANCIAL STRATEGY
	Decision
	Council approved the revised Medium Term Financial Strategy for the period 2015/16 – 2019/20

8.2 CA/063/15 TOURISM STRATEGY
Decision
 That this report be noted and the future direction of work be endorsed
2. The Tourism Strategy was adopted.
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8.3 CA/073/15 BUDGET MONITORING QUARTER 1 2015/16
Decision
 The budget monitoring position for each of the detailed accounts were approved; and,
2. Council approved the supplementary budgets set out below. Details for these supplementary budgets are set out in the body of the Cabinet report and have a net nil impact on the General Fund Working Balance:
 Increase Revenues and Benefits Agency Budget by £70k
 Increase Other Government Grants Budget by £70k
•Decrease the Performance and Projects Employees Budget by £10k
 Decrease use of the Technology Reserve by £10k
 Increase Office Accommodation Budget by £52,500
 Increase use of The Forum Reserve by £52,500
 Decrease the LDF Consultancy budget by £50k
 Decrease use of the LDF reserve by £50k
8.4 CA/074/15TREASURY MANAGEMENT OUTTURN AND PERFORMANCE INDICATORS Decision
Council approved the acceptance of the report on Treasury Management performance in 2014/15 and the Prudential Indicators for 2014/15 actuals.

	8.5 CA/076/15 FINANCIAL REGULATIONS REVIEW
	Decision
	The amendments detailed in paragraphs 4 and 9 of the report to the Cabinet were endorsed, and Council approved the revised Financial Regulations.
	8.6 CA/077/15 REVOCATION OF THE AFFORDABLE HOUSING POLICY CLARIFICATION NOTE
	Decision
	Council approved:
	(a) Revocation of the Affordable Housing Clarification Note (March 2015) and cease to apply it as a material planning consideration in relevant planning decisions and for use in the preparation of future planning documents; and
	(b) The publication on the Council's website of the statement attached as Appendix 1 of the report to Cabinet to explain the reasons for this decision.
	8.7 CA/078/15 THE FORUM: Category B fit out, internal layout and strategies for Information Technology, Audio Visual technology, Facilities Management and Customer services
	Decision
	1 That the Category A elements as set out in the report to Cabinet are noted.
	2 That the Category B elements as set out in the report to the Cabinet are agreed, with the decision on the final colour schemes for laminates and glazing delegated to the Corporate Director Housing and Regeneration in consultation with the Leader of the Council
	3 Council approved an additional budget of £400,000, to be drawn down from The Forum Reserve, in order to fund the final Category B elements identified in the Cabinet report
	4 That the proposed strategies for Information Communication Technology (ICT), Audio/Visual equipment and capability, Facilities Management and Customer services be noted.
Item 9 Overview & Scrutiny Committee Referrals	None.

Item 10 Changes to Committee Membership	Council approved the appointment of Councillor Imarni and G Adshead as substitutes for JNC Committee.
Item 11 Changes to Committee Dates	There were no changes.
Item 12 Exclusion of the public	To consider passing a resolution in the following terms: That, under section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded during the item in Part II of the Agenda for this meeting, because it is likely, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted, that if members of the public were present during this item there would be disclosure to them of exempt information relating to the financial and business affairs of the Council or of any particular person, (Cabinet Minute CA/065/15 & CA/079/15) Local Government Finance Act 1972, Part VA, Schedule 12A, Part 1 paragraph 3.

The meeting ended at 8:35pm