

CABINET

Tuesday, 13 December 2016

Decision notice

(including Key Decisions)



Notice dated: 15 December 2016

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This notice is issued in accordance with cabinet procedure rule 9 of the council's constitution. Key decisions are indicated with other decisions listed for information.

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DECISIONS:

Item No	Matter:	Decision: 'KEY' if key decision 'BPF' if budget and policy framework	Reasons if Key decision:
7.	Corporate performance, quarter 2, 2016/17.	(KEY) (1) That performance against indicators and actions from the 2016-20 corporate plan agreed. (2) General fund, housing revenue account and collection fund financial performance for quarter ended September 2016 agreed. (3) Transfer from earmarked reserve (para 3.5.of report) approved. (4) Capital programme approved. (5) Treasury management performance agreed.	As given in the report to Cabinet.

8.	Council budget 2017/18 - draft budget proposals.	<p>(KEY) (1) Draft budget proposals agreed for consultation.</p> <p>(2) Approach to dealing with changes in expected resources available for the 2017/18 budget (para. 5.3 of report) agreed.</p> <p>(3) Subject to there being no material change in the government settlement, cabinet minded to propose council tax rise of 1.9% for 2017/18 to make a band D charge £232.92 for council services.</p> <p>(4) To note that a lot of announcements are yet to be finalised by government and that currently the proposed budget is showing a gap of £91,000 between the resources available and the draft budget.</p> <p>(5) Strategy to close the gap (paragraph 5.3. of report) agreed.</p>	As given in the report to Cabinet.
9.	Council tax base and business rate income 2017/18.	<p>(KEY) (1) Provisional council tax base of 33,923.7 for 2017/18 agreed.</p> <p>(2) Indicative retained business rates income of for 2017/18 noted.</p> <p>(3) Chief finance officer, in consultation with lead cabinet member for finance, authorised to determine the final amounts for the council tax base and retained business rates income for 2016/17.</p>	As given in the report to Cabinet.

10.	Sovereign Centre - proposals for improvement and future management.	<p>(KEY) (1) Construction of new leisure centre adjacent to Sovereign Centre approved.</p> <p>(2) Full council recommended to include £24.48m in capital programme to fund construction of new centre and replacement of adjacent skatepark.</p> <p>(3) Proposed procurement of a new operator for new centre approved.</p> <p>(4) Commencement of public procurement processes referred to in report to deliver the new centre and a new operator approved.</p> <p>(5) Director of tourism and enterprise in consultation with lead cabinet members for tourism and enterprise and finance, chief finance officer and lawyer to the council given delegated authority to work on detailed development, management and approval of public procurement processes to be followed and of all the procurement documentation required to deliver project: Such delegation to include approval to allowing exceptions to council's contract procedure rules should that be necessary.</p> <p>(6) That officers instructed to investigate options for the joint management of Motcombe Pool and dry side centres together with centres owned and/or operated by Lewes District Council.</p>	As given in the report to Cabinet.
11.	Active Eastbourne strategy.	<p>(KEY) (1) Draft Active Eastbourne strategy to be published for consultation.</p> <p>(2) Director of tourism and enterprise in consultation with lead cabinet member for tourism and enterprise given delegated authority to approve amendments to strategy, subject to final consultation.</p>	As given in the report to Cabinet.

12.	Housing investment company - joint working arrangements.	<p>(KEY) (1) Director of service delivery and assistant director of legal and democratic services, in consultation with lead cabinet member for housing and their counterpart at Lewes District Council given delegated authority to undertake work to set up a joint Lewes District Council/Eastbourne Borough Council wholly owned housing investment company (HIC).</p> <p>(2) Director of service delivery authorised to procure specialist advice as necessary up to a value of £30,000, this being the estimated cost of advice on setting up the joint HIC together with costs of developing the business case and investment proposals.</p> <p>(3) Any investment proposals to be reported back to cabinet for approval.</p>	As given in the report to Cabinet.
13.	Bridgemere Centre.	<p>(KEY) Use of £20,000 capital funding to facilitate community ownership of community centre on a sustainable basis approved.</p>	As given in the report to Cabinet.
14.	Disabled facilities grants: Enabling disabled people to live independently.	<p>(KEY) (1) Changes to existing private housing policy and use of disabled facilities grant funding approved:</p> <p>(2) Director of service delivery granted delegated authority to take any and all steps necessary for, and incidental to, the implementation and management of the changes approved above.</p>	As given in the report to Cabinet.
15.	East Sussex building control partnership.	<p>(KEY) (1) New 5-year agreement for the East Sussex Building Control Partnership approved.</p> <p>(2) Director of service delivery in consultation with assistant director for legal and democratic services, given delegated authority to negotiate and finalise the agreement.</p>	As given in the report to Cabinet.

16.	Land and property acquisitions and investment.	<p>(KEY) (1) Proposed property and acquisition strategy (PAIS) adopted for inclusion in council's asset management plan.</p> <p>(2) Up to £30,000,000 within the council's capital programme set aside for acquisition of land and property that meets objectives of PAIS.</p> <p>(3) Up to £100,000 from economic regeneration reserve set aside to undertake due diligence work (to include surveys, legal, and other professional fees) relating to property acquisition, in event that the expenditure cannot be capitalised.</p> <p>(4) Director of regeneration and planning, in consultation with lead cabinet member for corporate and strategic services, strategic property board and council's S 151 officer, given delegated authority to negotiate and finalise land and property acquisitions.</p>	As given in the report to Cabinet.
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18.	Redundancy and redeployment policy - update.	Update report on position of employees currently subject to the procedure noted.	-
19.	Housing and economic development partnership - Improvement programme.	<p>(KEY) Cabinet agreed proposals for the fit out and letting of Princes Park café to the University of Brighton.</p>	Meets ambitions of the Driving Devonshire Forward initiative, assists ongoing commitment of university to town and secures capital investment and rental return.

Inspection of background papers – Please see contact details listed in each report.

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