

Agenda Item No: 10

Report to: Overview and Scrutiny (Resources)

Date of Meeting: 10 December 2008

Report Title: Monitoring the Implementation of Cabinet Decisions

Report By: Katrina Silverson

Scrutiny Officer

Purpose of Report

To provide members with detailed information on Cabinet decisions taken since the last O&S meeting that fall within the remit of this Committee

Recommendation(s)

 That members note the report and consider any items that they would like to bring before the Committee

Reasons for Recommendations

To inform members of decisions taken by Cabinet since their last meeting on 17 September 2008

Background

Cabinet Meeting held on 8 September 2008

(1) Item: Concessionary Fares

Decision:

(1) to move the start time of the concessionary bus fare scheme from 9.30am to 9.00am on Mondays to Fridays from the 1st October 2008 and apply this change to all those currently receiving the concession; and



that the Chief Executive or his nominee in consultation with the Lead Member determine reciprocal arrangements with neighbouring authorities for free travel for companions accompanying disabled persons.

Responsible Officer: Peter Grace, Head of Financial Services

Lead Member: Councillor Matthew Beaver

- (2) Item: Hastings and St Leonards Community Strategy Refresh Decision:
- That the draft thematic chapters to the Hastings and St Leonards Community (1) Strategy be approved and the Local Strategic Partnership be recommended to use them as a basis for consultation with local people and partners.

Responsible Officer: Jane Hartnell, Head of Policy and Performance

Lead Member: Councillor Peter Pragnell

Item: Office Accommodation Strategy Progress and Financial (3) **Update**

Decision:

- (1) progress with the Accommodation Strategy be noted;
- Capital Programme item ES04-2 be increased by £196,000 to fund the (2) increased costs of delivering the Accommodation Strategy; and
- the Chief Executive or his nominee be delegated authority to negotiate a lease (3) on a floor in Cavendish House if appropriate.

Responsible Officer: Richard Homewood, Head of Environmental Services

Lead Member: Councillor Peter Pragnell

Item: Cash Collection Contract (4)

Decision:

- (1) tenders be sought for the provision of cash collection services for a period of four years (2 years with a possible 2 year extension), commencing on the 1 January 2009:
- (2) the Chief Executive or his nominee be delegated authority to determine the contract award in consultation with the appropriate Lead member and the leaders of both opposition groups or their nominees; and
- (3) the decision be treated as urgent for the purposes of Call In on the grounds that any delay is likely to seriously prejudice the Council's or the public's interest.

Responsible Officer: Peter Grace, Head of Financial Services

Lead Member: Councillor Matthew Beaver

Cabinet Meeting held on 6 October 2008

There were no decisions made at this meeting which fall within the remit of the Resources Committee.

Cabinet Meeting held on 3 November 2008

- (1) Item: Corporate Priorities and Financial Strategy (2009-10 to 2011-
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Decision:

- (1) consult internally and externally on the redrafted Corporate Priorities; and
- (2) approve the Medium Term Financial Strategy 2009/10 to 2011/12 and the recommendations contained within it.

Responsible Officer: Roy Mawford, Chief Executive and Peter Grace, Head of Financial Services

Lead Member: Councillors Peter Pragnell and Matthew Beaver

(2) Item: St Mary In The Castle

Decision:

(1) the "My Place" bid based at St Mary in the Castle be supported:



- (2) expressions of interest for a short term let at nil cost to the Council be sought; and
- (3) organisers of events booked from February 2009 onwards be advised to find an alternative venue.

Responsible Officer: Neil Dart, Deputy Chief Executive and Director of Corporate Resources and Simon Hubbard, Corporate Director Regeneration and Planning

Lead Member: Councillor Matthew Beaver

(3) Item: Corporate Rebranding

Decision:

(1) that the proposed new corporate logo, colour and implementation programme be supported and the timetable for implementation be agreed.

Responsible Officer: Richard Homewood, Corporate Director Environmental Services

Lead Member: Councillor Peter Pragnell

(4) Item: Pebsham Landfill Site and Biffa

Decision:

(1) That the terms for the variation of the lease of Pebsham Landfill site to Biffa be approved as set out in the report of the Head of Financial Services.

Responsible Officer: Neil Dart, Deputy Chief Executive and Director of Corporate Resources

Lead Member: Councillor Matthew Beaver

Wards Affected

Ashdown, Baird, Braybrooke, Castle, Central St. Leonards, Conquest, Gensing, Hollington, Maze Hill, Old Hastings, Ore, Silverhill, St. Helens, Tressell, West St. Leonards, Wishing Tree

Area(s) Affected

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Policy Implications

Please identify if this report contains any implications for the following:

Equalities and Community Cohesiveness
Crime and Fear of Crime (Section 17)
Risk Management
No
Environmental Issues
Riconomic/Financial Implications
Human Rights Act
Organisational Consequences
No
Yes

Supporting Documents

Cabinet Minutes: 8 September, 6 October and 3 November 2008

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