Agenda Item:

Report to: Overview & Scrutiny Committee for Services

Date: 24 September 2007

Report from: Katrina Strong, Scrutiny Officer

Title of report: MONITORING OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF CABINET

DECISIONS

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

Recommendations: That members note the report and consider any items that they

would like to bring before the Committee

<u>Cabinet Decisions – 11 June to 9 July 2007</u>

Items relating to the Overview & Scrutiny Committee for Services

Cabinet meeting held on 11 June 2007:

| Item: | Petition Objecting to Proposals for Dogs on Leads in Alexandra Park | |
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| Decision taken: | (1) the Council continue the current campaign to manage dogs in our open spaces, using legislation already in place and the 'Room for All' scheme for voluntary compliance; | |
| | (2) the views of Alexandra Park users are canvassed over the summer to inform proposals for the adoption of Dog Control Orders; and | |
| | (3) officers complete their review of current arrangements and return to Cabinet in the Autumn with proposals for all key open spaces, as resolved at the April Cabinet. | |
| Responsible | Richard Homewood | |
| Officer: | Corporate Director Environmental Services | |
| Lead Member: | Councillor Roy Tucker | |

| Item: | Allotment Policy – Statutory Status, Management Response | |
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| Decision taken: | (1) the Council should not grant statutory status to any of the non-statutory sites that were subject to the recent Overview and Scrutiny Committee's review; and | |
| | (2) due consideration had been given to the increased demand for allotments and the management issues contained in this report, that attempt to address this. | |
| Responsible | Richard Homewood | |
| Officer: | Corporate Director Environmental Services | |
| Lead Member: | Councillor Peter Finch | |

| Item: | White Rock Theatre |
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| Decision taken: | (1) officers be authorised to negotiate terms for termination of the contract with Live Nation (UK) Ltd for management of the White Rock Theatre; and |
| | (2) expressions of interest be sought from potential operators of the theatre from January 2009 as detailed in paragraph 2.2 of the report and that a further report be submitted as soon as possible detailing the outcome. The further report should also |

| | consider any other potential options for management of the Theatre. |
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| Responsible Officer: | Richard Peters Corporate Director Community Well-Being |
| Lead Member: | Councillor Peter Finch |

| Item: | Corporate Plan Part III – Performance Report back for 2006/07 and Proposed Performance Indicator Targets for 2007/08 – 2009/10 | |
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| Decision taken: | (1) | the comments of the Overview and Scrutiny Committees be welcomed and considered for inclusion in the final draft; |
| | (2) | the Corporate Plan 2007/08 – 2009/10 Part III be approved for publication, (delegated authority having been given to Cabinet to approve the retrospective Part III by Council at its meeting on 22 February); and |
| | (3) | the Chief Executive be delegated authority, after consultation with the Leader of the Council, to make further amendments as necessary to Part III, prior to publication to improve the design, layout and to use non-technical, user-friendly language. |
| | (4) | the Overview and Scrutiny Committee for Services be requested to forward the report on the progress of Marina Pavilion to Cabinet. |
| Responsible | Roy Mawford | |
| Officer: | Chief Executive | |
| Lead Member: | Councillor Peter Pragnell | |

| Item: | The Housing Renewal Financial Assistance Policy | |
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| Decision taken: | (1) the Housing Renewal Financial Assistance Policy be adopted; and | |
| | (2) the policy, in the first instance, will be reviewed in 12 months time. | |
| Responsible | Richard Peters | |
| Officer: | Corporate Director Community Well-Being | |
| Lead Member: | Councillor Peter Finch | |

Cabinet meeting held on 9 July 2007

| Item: | NHS Proposals for East Sussex Acute Hospital Services – Draft Consultation Response | |
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| Decision taken: | e consultation response to the proposed options for future provision of acute hospital services in East Sussex based on section 3 of the report be agreed for submission to the Hastings and Rother Primary Care Trust subject to amendment of the last sentence of paragraph 3.4. as follows: - | |
| | (a) | deletion of the word, "more" between the words, "it would be" and "appropriate"; |
| | (b) | deletion of all words after, "for this to be located"; and |
| | (c) | addition of the words, "at Eastbourne and therefore this Council supports Option 4." |
| Responsible | Richard | l Peters |
| Officer: | Corporate Director Community Well-Being | |
| Lead Member: | Councillor Peter Finch | |

| Item: | Twi | n Bin Project Progress Review |
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| Decision taken: | (1) | the challenges presented by the National Waste Strategy be acknowledged: |
| | (2) | Cabinet re-affirm their commitment, as agreed unanimously by the All-Party Cabinet, to the Twin Bin Project as a key element of the Council's strategy to meet the revised waste reduction and recycling targets within the National Waste Strategy; |
| | (3) | the Cabinet calls for the draft Joint Municipal Waste Management Strategy to be considered as soon as possible prior to 13 October, as it regards it as important that there is close and effective cooperation between waste authorities in East Sussex; |
| | (4) | the Cabinet calls for further work to be done to increase recycling rates, particularly in those areas which are not part of the present Twin Bin Project to enable those residents to reduce further the waste going to landfill; |
| | (5) | the Cabinet agrees to investigate the potential and feasibility of a weekly food waste collection scheme as encouraged under the National Waste Strategy; |
| C:\Hastings\Data\Committ\l | (6) | the Cabinet notes the changes deemed necessary to the implementation plan and revised resource requirements, |

| | and insists that every effort must be made to contain these costs within the existing overall waste and recycling revenue budgets, whilst maintaining an appropriate level of service; and |
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| | (7) the Cabinet approves the Enforcement Policy, subject to any minor wording / grammatical changes which are delegated to the Chief Executive. |
| Responsible | Richard Homewood |
| Officer: | Corporate Director Environmental Services |
| Lead Member: | Councillor Roy Tucker |

| Item: | South East England Development Agency Proposed Partnership Arrangements and Implementation of the 2006- 2016 Regional Economic Strategy | |
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| Decision taken: | the Council respond to SEEDA's consultation on these proposals in line with the comments and recommendations set out in the report focussing on the needs of the Hastings and Bexhill area and the detailed response be delegated to the Director of Regeneration and Planning in consultation with the Lead Member and Shadow Lead Members from the other groups; and the Council embark on discussions with key partners with a view to agreeing the most appropriate economic partnership for the wider Hastings-Rother area over the long term. | |
| Responsible Officer: | Monica Adams-Acton Head of Regeneration | |
| Lead Member: | Councillor Matthew Lock | |

| Item: | Motion on Planning Enforcement Team |
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| Decision taken: | Motion fell. |
| Responsible Officer: | Simon Hubbard Corporate Director Regeneration and Planning |
| Lead Member: | Councillor Matthew Lock |