

Summary of the decisions taken at the meeting of the Executive held on 23 May 2011

1. Date of publication of this summary:-

24 May 2011

2. Decisions (if any) taken as a matter of urgency under Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rule 16 (and not therefore subject to the call-in procedure):-

None

3. Date by which notice of call-in of any of the following decisions must be received in writing by the Chief Executive (see notes below):-

Noon on Friday 27 May 2011

- 4. Notes:-
 - (a) For background documentation to the following decisions, please refer to the agenda and supporting papers (copies of which are available on the Council's website (www.cherwell.gov.uk) or from the Head of Legal and Democratic Services);
 - (b) Notice of call-in must be submitted in writing, by email or text to the Chief Executive by the deadline specified above, and must state the reason or reasons why "call-in" has been requested;
 - (c) Call-in can be requested by any six non-executive members of the Council.
 - However, if at any point during a municipal year the total number of opposition councillors is six or less the total number of non-executive members required to callin a decision shall be the total number of opposition councillors less two.
 - (d) Decisions not called-in by the deadline specified above will become effective immediately the deadline has expired (unless they are recommendations to the Council).
 - (e) The Council has stipulated that the call-in procedure should not be used to challenge decisions as a matter of course and should be used only when fully justified.

Sue Smith Chief Executive

Decisions

Agenda Item No.	Agenda Item and Recommendations	Decision
6	Commissioning of Advice, Volunteering and Voluntary Car Driving Schemes in Cherwell Recommendations The Executive is recommended: (1) To cease existing funding arrangements for organisations funded through the Council's Voluntary Sector (Community Development) Grants Programme and Community Transport Grants Programme as from 31 March 2012. (2) To commence a commissioning process to fund strategically relevant Advice, Volunteering and Volunteer Car Driving services across three geographical areas within Cherwell. (3) To note ongoing officer discussions with Oxfordshire County Council regarding County Council proposals to develop a countywide Dial-a-Ride Service and how this might serve District residents most in need of this service. (4) To receive a further report on the outcome of this exercise as part of the 2012/13 Service and Financial Planning process in the Autumn.	Approved, with the amendment that recommendation (1) should read: To cease signify a likely cessation of existing funding arrangements for organisations funded through the Council's Voluntary Sector (Community Development) Grants Programme and Community Transport Grants Programme as from 31 March 2012.
7	Planning Obligations Draft Supplementary Planning Document Recommendations The Executive is recommended: (1) To approve the use of the draft Supplementary Planning Document as informal guidance with immediate effect.	Approved

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8	Local Development Framework (LDF) - Next Steps Recommendations The Executive is recommended: (1) To agree a revised development strategy as set out in Paragraph 1.18 of the report and to include the PPS Eco-Town Standards as a new policy element of the Core Strategy. (2) To agree to progress an informal public consultation on a Revised Draft Core Strategy which incorporates locally generated population and household growth projections and a revised development strategy set out in this report and: (3) To delegate the preparation of the detailed wording of the Revised Draft Core Strategy and any consultation material to the Head of Planning Policy & Economic Development in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Planning and Housing.	Approved, with the additional resolution that the Head of Planning Policy and Economic Development in consultation with the Lead member for Planning be delegated to agree the presentation and apportionment of the housing numbers for Kidlington and rural areas within the ceiling as set out in the report.
9	Use of Natural Resources Project	Approved
	Recommendations	
	The Executive is recommended:	
	(1) To note the achievements of the Use of Natural Resources project.	
	(2) To support Cherwell's Carbon Management Plan (Appendix 1) reducing 22% of the Council's carbon emissions by 2014/15 through improving the energy efficiency of its own operations.	
	(3) To approve the Energy Policy (Appendix 2) which sets out the how the Council will use energy efficiently.	

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10	Bicester Multi-Sport Village Recommendations	Approved
	The Executive is recommended:	
	(1) To award a contract for the construction of Phase 1 of the Sports Village, subject to planning consent for the outstanding reserved matters, to Agripower Ltd.	
	(2) To request Bicester Town Council to consider funding for the revenue implications from 2014/15.	
	(3) To progress with the design of Phase 2 and investigate funding opportunities to deliver the full scheme.	
11	Brighter Futures in Banbury Programme	Approved
	Recommendations	
	The Executive is recommended:	
	(1) To note the very good progress made in the first year of the Brighter Futures Programme.	
	(2) To support the areas of emphasis and proposed activity in 2011/12.	
	(3) To receive further reports as appropriate on progress.	
12	Review of Reserves	Approved
	Recommendations	
	The Executive is recommended:	
	(1) To consider and endorse the contents of this report.	

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	(2) To approve the transfers between earmarked reserves and the creation of 1 new reserve detailed in Appendix 1.	
	(3) To approve that authority is delegated to the Head of Finance, in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Resources, to transfer sufficient funds from earmarked reserves to general fund balances as part of the closedown processes for 2010-11 to avoid general fund balances falling below the minimum amount stated in the medium term financial strategy.	
15	Community Led and Self-Build Housing Exempt Report	Recommendations approved as set out in the exempt report.
16	Bicester Multi-Sport Village - Exempt Appendix 2	Noted