Forward Plan No: HSG 14786

This record relates to Agenda Item 92 on the agenda for the

Decision-Making

RECORD OF CABINET MEMBER DECISION

DECISION-MAKER: COUNCILLOR MARIA CAULFIELD

PORTFOLIO AREA: HOUSING

SUBJECT: HOMELESSNESS GRANT – CLG

GRANT ALLOCATION 2010/11

AUTHOR: JAMES CRANE

THE DECISION

(1) That the allocation amongst external agencies and internal teams be approved as set out in Appendix B, which circulated in part 2 of the agenda papers.

(2) That the progress and outcomes of funded services from this grant funding in 2009/10 be noted, as set out in Appendix A of the report.

REASON FOR THE DECISION

- (1) The Homelessness Grant allocation is given to the Council by the Secretary of State of the DCLG to further the work that the Authority carries out towards activities connected with homelessness under the provisions of section 31 of the Local Government Act 2003.
- (2) The Council is required to allocate the funding to further the work that assists it in reaching the targets and priorities both nationally and locally.

DETAILS OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

- (1) The Council has developed a number of complimentary strategies to deal specifically with the issues that arise in the event that some one is threatened or actually becomes homeless. In 2009 the Council launch the Single Homelessness Strategy setting out the key objectives and priorities to deal with rough sleeping and associated issues of single homelessness. This compliments the Homelessness Strategy 2008 and the Youth Homelessness Strategy 2007.
- (2) The aims of the strategies focus on prevention of homelessness and where homelessness occurs, looks at some of the underlying issues such as health, employment, basic and life skills training to offer people the right support at the right time. These strategies have been developed with other Council departments and voluntary sector partners to enable people to develop their full potential and aim to live as independently as possible
- (3) Projects are discussed with the CLG at regular intervals as they are key to the Council meeting targets such as the reduction of rough sleeping to as near as zero as possible, the reduction in the use of temporary accommodation by 50% by March 2010 and the continued reduction in the use of bed and breakfast for sixteen and seventeen year olds.

OTHER RELEVANT MATTERS CONCERNING THE DECISION None

CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

CONFIRMED AS A TRUE RECORD:

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Date: Decision Maker:

03 March 2010 Councillor Maria Caulfield

Cabinet Member for Housing

Signed:

Proper Officer:

03 March 2010 Mark Wall, Head of Democratic Services

Signed:

SCRUTINY

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Call-In Period 10 March 2010

Date of Call-in (if applicable) (this suspends implementation)

Call-in Procedure completed (if applicable)

Call-in heard by (if applicable)

Forward Plan No: N/A

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Decision-Making

RECORD OF CABINET MEMBER DECISION

DECISION-MAKER: COUNCILLOR MARIA CAULFIELD

PORTFOLIO AREA: HOUSING

SUBJECT: KEEPING PEOPLE WITH LEARNING

DISABILITIES SAFE - SAFEGUARDING

REPORT QUARTERS 1-3 09/10

AUTHOR: NAOMI COX

THE DECISION

(1) That the content of the Quarters 1 -3 09/10 Safeguarding Report for people with Learning Disabilities be noted.

REASON FOR THE DECISION

(1) That the Lead Member notes the content of this report.

DETAILS OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

(1) There are no alternative options to implementing the Multi-Agency Safeguarding procedures within Brighton and Hove.

OTHER RELEVANT MATTERS CONCERNING THE DECISION None

CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

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Decision-Making

RECORD OF CABINET MEMBER DECISION

DECISION-MAKER: COUNCILLOR MARIA CAULFIELD

PORTFOLIO AREA: HOUSING

SUBJECT: HOUSING MANAGEMENT CUSTOMER

ACCESS STRATEGY

AUTHOR: NICK HIBBERD

THE DECISION

(1) That the customer access review work to date be noted, and the next steps be agreed.

(2) That the "Broad Principles" detailed in points 3.6 to 3.27 be approved.

REASON FOR THE DECISION

- (1) To inform the Cabinet Member for Housing of progress and gain agreement on the broad principles and next steps outlined in this report.
- (2) To gain approval for continued resident involvement via the 'Mystery Shoppers' group.

DETAILS OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

- (1) The review of customer access will consider different options for the future customer access arrangements for Housing Management.
- (2) If the review was not undertaken arrangements would remain in their current state

OTHER RELEVANT MATTERS CONCERNING THE DECISION

None

CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

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RECORD OF CABINET MEMBER DECISION

DECISION-MAKER: COUNCILLOR MARIA CAULFIELD

PORTFOLIO AREA: HOUSING

SUBJECT: INDEPENDENT & VOLUNTARY

SECTOR LEARNING DISABILITY SERVICES FEES REPORT 2010/11

AUTHOR: JUDITH COOPER

THE DECISION

(1) That approval is given to maintain the 2009/10 fee rates for independent and voluntary sector learning disability services in 2010/11.

(2) That an exception is made to 2.1 in the report and approval is given to Southdown Housing Association receiving 1% uplift in 2010/11 for its learning disability block contract for residential/supported accommodation services.

REASON FOR THE DECISION

(1) The report recommendations are made within the context of predicted national fee increase trends, low rates of inflation and the need for the public sector to make efficiency savings.

DETAILS OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

(1) Within the context of the current financial pressures and efficiency savings being requested of the public sector, the Council would not be in a position to be able to award an inflationary increase for 2010/11.

OTHER RELEVANT MATTERS CONCERNING THE DECISION

None

CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

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