

Decision No: CAB22–18/09/08

Forward Plan No: n/a

This record relates to Agenda Item 62 on the agenda for the Decision-Making

## **RECORD OF CABINET DECISION**

**DECISION-MAKER:** CABINET

**PORTFOLIO AREA:**

**SUBJECT:** OUTCOME FROM THE ENVIRONMENT & COMMUNITY SAFETY OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY COMMITTEE 'CALL-IN' MEETING HELD ON 13TH AUGUST 2008 (IN RELATION TO THE ACCOMMODATION NEEDS OF TRAVELLERS)

**AUTHOR:** IAN GLOSSOP

### **THE DECISION**

- 1 That decision of the Environment and Community Safety Overview & Scrutiny Committee not to refer back the Cabinet decision in relation to the accommodation needs of gypsies and travellers be noted.
- 2 That the following two additional recommendations agreed by the Committee for referral to the Executive be approved.
  - A. That the rest of the process regarding the proposed permanent travellers site is progressed having regard to the need to keep Ward Councillors and residents informed and properly consulted.
  - B. That issues of custom and practice relating to Special Meetings be reviewed and clarified with regard to the Constitution.

### **REASON FOR THE DECISION**

The recommendations are based on the information presented and the decisions made at the 13th August 2008 Environment and Community Safety Overview & Scrutiny Call-in meeting.

**DETAILS OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS**

The Committee discussed whether or not to refer the decision back to Cabinet for re-consideration and determined not to do so.

**OTHER RELEVANT MATTERS CONCERNING THE DECISION**

None

**CONFLICTS OF INTEREST**

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Decision No: CAB23 –18/09/08

Forward Plan No:2876

This record relates to Agenda Item 63 on the agenda for the Decision-Making

## **RECORD OF CABINET KEY DECISION**

**DECISION-MAKER:** CABINET

**PORTFOLIO AREA:**

**SUBJECT:** TARGETED BUDGET MANAGEMENT  
(TBM) MONTH 4

**AUTHOR:** NIGEL MANVELL

### **THE DECISION**

- 1 That the forecast outturn for the General Fund, Section 75 Partnerships and Housing Revenue Account (HRA) for 2008/09 as at month 4 be noted.
- 2 That the financial recovery plans for managing directorate overspends be noted.
- 3 That a contribution from HRA revenue reserves of £0.250 million to fund the increased energy costs pressure be approved.
- 4 That the forecast outturn position on the capital budgets as at month 4 be noted.
- 5 That the following changes to the capital programme be approved.
  - i) budget re-profiles as set out at appendix 3;
  - ii) budget variations as set out at appendix 4; and
  - iii) new schemes as set out at appendix 5.

### **REASON FOR THE DECISION**

- 1 Budget monitoring is a key element of good financial management, which is necessary in order for the council to maintain financial stability and operate effectively.
- 2 The capital budget changes are necessary to maintain effective financial management.

## DETAILS OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

The forecast outturn position on council controlled budgets is an overspend of £0.405 million, any overspend will have to be funded from general fund reserves, which will then need to be replenished as part of the 2009/10 budget proposals.

## OTHER RELEVANT MATTERS CONCERNING THE DECISION

None

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Decision No: CAB24 – 18/09/08

Forward Plan No: CAB2207

This record relates to Agenda Item 64 on the agenda for the Decision-Making

## **RECORD OF CABINET KEY DECISION**

**DECISION-MAKER:** CABINET

**PORTFOLIO AREA:** FINANCE & RESOURCES

**SUBJECT:** CORPORATE PROCUREMENT STRATEGY

**AUTHOR:** CLAIRE JONES

### **THE DECISION**

- 1 That the principles outlined within the revised strategy attached as Appendix 1 be approved.
- 2 That the Corporate Procurement Strategy 2008-2011 be endorsed and approved.

### **REASON FOR THE DECISION**

Cabinet is asked to note and approve the Corporate Procurement Strategy to ensure that best practice procurement is adopted across the council.

### **DETAILS OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS**

N/A

### **OTHER RELEVANT MATTERS CONCERNING THE DECISION**

None

### **CONFLICTS OF INTEREST**

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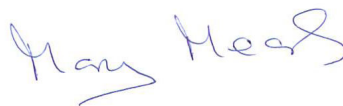
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Decision No: CAB25 – 18/09/08

Forward Plan No: n/a

This record relates to Agenda Item 65 on the agenda for the  
Decision-Making

## RECORD OF CABINET DECISION

**DECISION-MAKER:**

CABINET

**PORTFOLIO AREA:**

**SUBJECT:** 2008 / 09 QUARTER ONE  
PERFORMANCE IMPROVEMENT  
REPORT - NEW PERFORMANCE  
MANAGEMENT ARRANGEMENTS

**AUTHOR:** BARBARA GREEN

**THE DECISION**

That new performance management approach and the quarterly frequency of reporting as outlined in the report be approved.

**REASON FOR THE DECISION**

The new approach is designed to meet the council's regulatory duties in relation to reporting and monitoring performance

**DETAILS OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS**

N/A

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Decision No: CAB26 – 18/09/08

Forward Plan No: CAB2363

This record relates to Agenda Item 66 on the agenda for the Decision-Making

## **RECORD OF CABINET KEY DECISION**

**DECISION-MAKER:**

CABINET

**PORTFOLIO AREA:**

STRATEGY & GOVERNANCE

**SUBJECT:**

INCLUSIVE COUNCIL POLICY

**AUTHOR:**

JANICE MILLMAN

### **THE DECISION**

That new Equalities & Inclusion Policy and Equality Scheme Action Plan be approved.

### **REASON FOR THE DECISION**

The policy is designed to meet the council's regulatory and legal responsibilities in relation to equalities.

### **DETAILS OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS**



N/A

**OTHER RELEVANT MATTERS CONCERNING THE DECISION**

None

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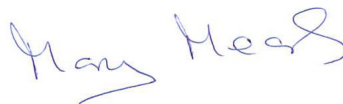
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Decision No: CAB27 – 18/09/08

Forward Plan No: CAB2193

This record relates to Agenda Item 67 on the agenda for the Decision-Making

## **RECORD OF CABINET KEY DECISION**

**DECISION-MAKER:** CABINET

**PORTFOLIO AREA:** ENVIRONMENT

**SUBJECT:** COMMUNAL BINS

**AUTHOR:** JAN JONKER

### **THE DECISION**

- 1 That the introduction of a communal bin scheme in the central areas of Brighton and Hove as defined in Annex 1 of the report be approved.
- 2 That it be noted that the following historic squares and terraces are excluded from the scheme:
  - (i) Sussex Square, Lewes Crescent, Chichester Terrace and Arundel Terrace
  - (ii) Brunswick Square and Brunswick Terrace
  - (iii) Adelaide Crescent / Palmeira Square

### **REASON FOR THE DECISION**

- 1 Communal bins have had a successful trial and have been generally well received.
- 2 The full impact of the operational changes, after the repayment of the capital investment, is estimated to be a saving of £0.97M over a 7 year period.
- 3 Street cleanliness has been seen to dramatically improve in areas where communal bins have been placed.
- 4 The consultation provided positive feedback from residents.

### **DETAILS OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS**

- 1 There are no feasible alternative options for the area in question, other than the current service of black sacks. The options considered were:
  - (the current) sack collection service – no change
  - wheelie bins – there is not enough outside storage for each property to have a wheelie bin
  - Binvelopes – they are a short term solution and are not ideal in areas of high density as they have to be stored within the household in between collections
  - underground waste storage – not financially viable and there is a lack of space underground due to street works
  
- 2 Communal bins have many advantages for this section of the city:
  - Convenient for the householder
  - No more waste would be strewn across streets from ripped bags
  - There will be no missed collections as bins are in situ 7 days a week, 24 hours a day
  - Residents will not be required to store waste in their property as it can be placed in the communal bin 'little and often'
  - Communal bin collections are more efficient, resulting in collection cost savings
  - Manual handling is virtually eliminated with communal bins, making it a safer form of refuse collection
  - Savings will arise as a result of fewer staff being needed to provide a refuse collection service to the city centre. Currently, a refuse vehicle collecting black sacks requires a driver and four collectors. A communal bin vehicle requires a driver only

**OTHER RELEVANT MATTERS CONCERNING THE DECISION**

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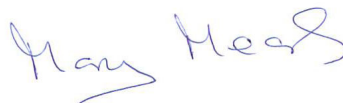
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Decision No: CAB28 – 18/09/08

Forward Plan No: CAB3315

This record relates to Agenda Item 68 on the agenda for the Decision-Making

## RECORD OF CABINET KEY DECISION

**DECISION-MAKER:**

CABINET

**PORTFOLIO AREA:**

ENVIRONMENT

**SUBJECT:**

REFURBISHMENT OF LONDON ROAD  
AND LANES CAR PARKS

**AUTHOR:**

AUSTEN HUNTER

### THE DECISION

- 1 That the allocation of a further £1.01m additional funding for high quality improvements at The Lanes Car Park and minor improvements at London Road Car Park be approved.

- 2 That the release of £0.300 million from the Car Parks Maintenance Reserve as a contribution towards the capital costs be approved.
- 3 That the appointment of a works contractor by the Director of Environment be approved.

#### **REASON FOR THE DECISION**

- 1 The decision to approve additional investment at the Lanes and London Road car parks is to improve health and safety standards, customer perceptions, return usage to previous high levels and protect income. This forms part of a citywide Parking Strategy to coordinate and raise standards at council operated off-street car parks, including the 5 car parks returning to the council from NCP.
- 2 The decision to authorise the Director to appoint a contractor is to ensure that the works are carried out without delay and that the benefits may be realised as early as possible.

#### **DETAILS OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS**

The report presented and compared both basic and high quality refurbishment options, as well as the financial implications of doing nothing.

#### **OTHER RELEVANT MATTERS CONCERNING THE DECISION**

None

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Results of Call-in (*if applicable*)

Decision No: CAB29 – 18/09/08

Forward Plan No: CAB3382

This record relates to Agenda Item 69 on the agenda for the Decision-Making

## RECORD OF CABINET KEY DECISION

**DECISION-MAKER:**

CABINET

**PORTFOLIO AREA:**

ADULT SOCIAL CARE & HOUSING

**SUBJECT:**

VERNON GARDENS

**AUTHOR:**

KARIN DIVALL

### THE DECISION

- 1 That Guinness Housing Association will be the Council's approved partner to develop the extra care housing scheme.
- 2 That the transfer of the land known as 3-5 Vernon Gardens, Brighton, be approved on terms to be settled by the Director of Finance & Property, based on a 150 year lease to Guinness Housing Association.

- 3 That the receipt of the Department of Health grant be approved and the transfer of 3-5 Vernon Gardens at nil consideration to Guinness Housing Association under an agreement be approved, on terms to be settled by the Director of Adult Social Care and Housing, requiring Guinness Housing Association to develop an extra care housing scheme for disabled adults on the site.

#### **REASON FOR THE DECISION**

The decision is required to enable the transfer of the building to Guinness Housing Association and the draw down of the Department of Health grant and its transfer to Guinness housing to enable the development to proceed.

#### **DETAILS OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS**

Alternative options were considered for this building by Adult Social Care Committee in January 2008 and the recommendation was to explore the option for Vernon Gardens to be refurbished to provide extra care flats for people with a physical disability.

#### **OTHER RELEVANT MATTERS CONCERNING THE DECISION**

None

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Decision No: CAB30 – 18/09/08

Forward Plan No: CAB2201

This record relates to Agenda Item 70 on the agenda for the Decision-Making, which was taken in closed session as the report contained exempt information as defined in paragraphs 1,3, 5 and 6 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended).

## RECORD OF CABINET KEY DECISION

<b>DECISION-MAKER:</b>	CABINET
<b>PORTFOLIO AREA:</b>	FINANCE & RESOURCES
<b>SUBJECT:</b>	FALMER ACADEMY RELEASED LAND
<b>AUTHOR:</b>	RICHARD DAVIES

### THE DECISION

That the recommendations contained in the report be approved.

### REASON FOR THE DECISION

n/a

### DETAILS OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

n/a



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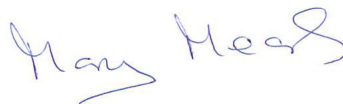
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Decision No: CAB31 – 18/09/08

Forward Plan No: n/a

This record relates to Agenda Item 71 on the agenda for the Decision-Making, which was taken in closed session as the report contained exempt information as defined in paragraph 3 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended).

## **RECORD OF CABINET KEY DECISION**

**DECISION-MAKER:** CABINET

**PORTFOLIO AREA:**

**SUBJECT:** FUTURE OWNERSHIP OPTIONS FOR EDWARD STREET QUARTER SITE

**AUTHOR:** MAX WOODFORD

### **THE DECISION**

That the recommendations contained in the report be approved.

### **REASON FOR THE DECISION**

n/a

### **DETAILS OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS**

n/a

### **OTHER RELEVANT MATTERS CONCERNING THE DECISION**

None

### **CONFLICTS OF INTEREST**

Councillor Mitchell declared a personal interest as a relative worked for the associated company.

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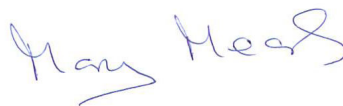
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