

Decision No: CAB – 43 20/11/08

KEY

Forward Plan No: CAB 2358

This record relates to Agenda Item 111 on the agenda for the Decision-Making

RECORD OF CABINET DECISION

DECISION-MAKER:	CABINET
PORTFOLIO AREA:	CULTURAL SERVICES
SUBJECT:	KING ALFRED LEISURE CENTRE - REDEVELOPMENT AND URGENT WORKS
AUTHOR:	KATHERINE PEARCE

THE DECISION

That the information contained in paragraph's 3.0 to 3.5 regarding the Karis/ING be noted.

That it be noted that the initial condition assessments and surveys of the King Alfred Leisure Centre have identified approximately £1.5 million of health and safety and maintenance works as detailed in Part B of Appendix 1 to keep the building operational.

That an allocation of £859,000 be approved to the capital programme (from the £2m capital reserves identified for affordable housing on the King Alfred site) to carry out the urgent health and safety items indicated in Part A of Appendix 1.

REASON FOR THE DECISION

The underlying reason for the recommendations regarding expenditure is to ensure that the King Alfred Leisure Centre remains operational for the foreseeable future and thereby maintain for the City the provision of much needed sport and leisure facilities.

In strategic terms, the Council must now begin to define the terms of a new project for the King Alfred. At present, the delivery of new sporting facilities for the City on the King Alfred site, fulfils the requirements of the King Alfred Development Brief 2004, is fundamental to meeting targets in the 2006-2012 Brighton and Hove Sports Strategy, and also contributes significantly to the City Tourism Strategy. In planning terms, it also complies with the aspirations of the draft South East Plan (S3) and Structure plan.

DETAILS OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

The items identified to date include only urgent works. They do not include any measures to bring the building up to any higher performance standard than at present. In effect they are "standstill" measures to allow the building to remain open. An alternative option would be not to commit any further expenditure. This would create a situation of considerable risk for the council and result in the potential loss of a key leisure facility for the City.

OTHER RELEVANT MATTERS CONCERNING THE DECISION

None

CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

None

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RECORD OF CABINET DECISION

DECISION-MAKER:	CABINET
PORTFOLIO AREA:	FINANCE & RESOURCES
SUBJECT:	TARGETED BUDGET MANAGEMENT (TBM) MONTH 6
AUTHOR:	NIGEL MANVELL

THE DECISION

That forecast outturn for the General Fund, Section 75 Partnerships and Housing Revenue Account (HRA) for 2008/09 as at month 6, be noted.

That release of £0.142 million from Local Authority Business Growth Incentive (LABGI) in respect of projects to support local employment and businesses to be determined by the Cabinet be agreed.

That it be noted that the Primary Care Trust, as the Lead Commissioners of Mental Health Services, are continuing to work with Sussex Partnership Trust, as providers, to address current overspending, financial recovery plans, current Value for Money concerns in respect of the Dementia Care at Home service, and ensure ongoing funding issues and the potential shared financial risks to the council are resolved.

That the forecast outturn position on the capital budgets as at month 6 be noted.

That following changes to the capital programme be approved.

Budget re-profiles (Appendix 5)

Budget variations (Appendix 6)

New schemes (Appendix 7)

REASON FOR THE DECISION

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.

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 underspend of £0.668 million, any underspend will be added to unallocated general reserves unless approval is given to allocate funds to specific reserves or contingencies.

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RECORD OF CABINET DECISION

DECISION-MAKER: CABINET

PORTFOLIO AREA:

SUBJECT: TREASURY MANAGEMENT POLICY STATEMENT 2008/09 (INCLUDING ANNUAL INVESTMENT STRATEGY 2008/09) - MID YEAR REVIEW

AUTHOR: PETER SARGENT

THE DECISION

That the Cabinet:

- a) endorse the action taken during the half-year to meet the TMPS and associated TMPs and the AIS;
- b) endorse the action taken to tighten the investment parameters set out in the AIS as detailed in paragraph 3.3.3;
- c) note the authorised limit and operational boundary set by the Council have not been exceeded;
- d) earmark any surpluses generated on the Financing Costs budget in 2008/09 to contribute towards possible future shortfalls in the investment interest budget as a result of base rate cuts;
- e) note the budgeted support from net investment income to the General Fund in 2008/09 is £4.1m, the equivalent to circa £45 in council tax on a Band D property; and
- f) note the latest projection for investment income on all funds in 2008/09 is £7.7m of which £4.9m is for the General Fund.

REASON FOR THE DECISION

The TMPS requires the Director of Finance & Resources to report on the action taken by the council in meeting borrowing limits and investment parameters. This report fulfils that requirement.

DETAILS OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

This report sets out action taken in the six months to September 2008. No alternative options are therefore considered necessary.

OTHER RELEVANT MATTERS CONCERNING THE DECISION

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Forward Plan No: CAB 4315

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RECORD OF CABINET DECISION

DECISION-MAKER:	CABINET
PORTFOLIO AREA:	FINANCE & RESOURCES
SUBJECT:	ICT STRATEGY 2008-11
AUTHOR:	PAUL COLBRAN

THE DECISION

That initial ICT strategy 2008-2012 attached as Appendix 1 of the report be approved.

That the scrutiny of the strategy by the Overview and Scrutiny Commission at its meeting on 21st October 2008 be acknowledge and responses to the points raised noted.

That it be noted that the initial strategy will be updated further including a development plan by March 2009, for reporting to the Cabinet thereafter

REASON FOR THE DECISION

N/A

DETAILS OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

N/A

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Forward Plan No: CAB 5516

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RECORD OF CABINET DECISION

DECISION-MAKER:	CABINET
PORTFOLIO AREA:	CULTURAL SERVICES
SUBJECT:	THREE-YEAR GRANT PROCESS 2010-2013
AUTHOR:	JOHN ROUTLEDGE

THE DECISION

That future discretionary grants programme for 2010-2013 be approved. The size of the programme to be determined by the 2010-11 budget strategy subject to the council's financial position, the indicative amount being equivalent to the 2008-09 budget level plus appropriate inflationary uplift (approx £1,584,000 pa. please see 5.1).

That revised vision for the discretionary grants programme, as detailed in paragraph 3.9, accompanied by updated eligibility criteria reflecting the new corporate priorities, be adopted.

That the current application procedure, appraisal process & delivery mechanism including the recommended timetable (see Appendix 1. 'Timetable Three Year Strategic Grants 2010-13') be approved.

REASON FOR THE DECISION

Recommendations 2.1 & 2.2 recognise that provision of a discretionary grants programme in future years will be essential, not only for the council's continuing good working relations with a thriving third sector but also its capacity to deliver on corporate commitments and strategic priorities throughout the period.

Recommendation 2.3 acknowledges 3.4 & concurs with 3.5 above.

Should Cabinet agree the above recommendations Appendix 5: 'Provisional Grant Scheme Budgets 2010-13' summarises the anticipated allocation pa. across all schemes.

nb. Current grant allocations & commitments 2007-10 have previously been circulated to all members, can be downloaded from the council's website or are available on request from the Voluntary Sector Unit.

DETAILS OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

Alternative options have been considered & rejected as part of the consultation exercise outlined in this report.

OTHER RELEVANT MATTERS CONCERNING THE DECISION

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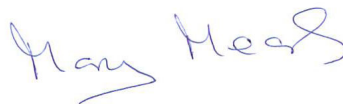
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Forward Plan No: CAB 2870

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RECORD OF CABINET DECISION

DECISION-MAKER:	CABINET
PORTFOLIO AREA:	STRATEGY & GOVERNANCE
SUBJECT:	COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT FRAMEWORK
AUTHOR:	EMMA MCDERMOTT

THE DECISION

That the adoption of the Community Engagement Framework at the 2020 Community partnership meeting 2nd December 2008, be supported.

That the Framework be 'signed up to' subject to its approval by the 2020 Community Partnership.

REASON FOR THE DECISION

National policy drivers, and the need to standardise current practice around community engagement and participation, make the creation of a single framework opportune. The process of drawing up the framework involved extensive consultation with city partners, and in the drawing up of the framework a wide range of proposals was considered.

DETAILS OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

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OTHER RELEVANT MATTERS CONCERNING THE DECISION

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CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

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Forward Plan No: N/A

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RECORD OF CABINET DECISION

DECISION-MAKER: CABINET

PORTFOLIO AREA:

SUBJECT: TAXI TARIFF SETTING UNDER THE NEW CONSTITUTION

AUTHOR: ELIZABETH CULBERT

THE DECISION

That an advisory committee to the executive be established for the purpose of advising on licensing functions that are the responsibility of the Executive, including setting taxi fares;

That the membership of the advisory committee mirror the Licensing Committee membership;

That power be delegated to the Director of Environment to set taxi fares after considering the recommendations of the advisory committee in (1) above in accordance with the report as amended by the Governance Committee; and

That the Head of Law be authorised to make the necessary amendments to the Constitution to reflect the above.

REASON FOR THE DECISION

N/A

DETAILS OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

N/A

OTHER RELEVANT MATTERS CONCERNING THE DECISION

None

CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Councillor Kemble declared a personal and prejudicial interest as a taxi driver.
Councillor Mears declared a personal interest as a relative was a taxi driver.

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RECORD OF CABINET DECISION

DECISION-MAKER:	CABINET
PORTFOLIO AREA:	FINANCE & RESOURCES
SUBJECT:	WELLSBOURNE SITE PROPOSED REDEVELOPMENT
AUTHOR:	ANGELA DYMOTT

THE DECISION

That the disposal of part of the site to AH Medical Properties plc (Ashley House, the developers for the PCT) for the development of an integrated health facility, GP surgery, on a long lease for a premium on terms to be agreed and finalised by the Interim Director of Finance & Resources be approved (See Appendix A for attached Plan)

That the demolition proposal of the existing vacant Wellsbourne Centre building (shown dashed on the Appendix A, attached plan) be approved.

REASON FOR THE DECISION

The Wellsbourne site was identified as surplus to requirements and leased to EBT in 2002 at nil consideration. EBT vacated the site and the Wellsbourne Centre building in March 2008 and surrendered both back to the council in September 2008. Part of the building has been demolished for the construction of the children's centre and more of the building will need be demolished to allow the construction of the integrated health facility, GP surgery, by Ashley House on behalf of the PCT. The GP surgery will offer a much wider range of health services for the benefit of the local community. This proposal meets one of the council's own objectives of reducing inequality by improving and expanding health services, integrating these with early years provision and further represents an appropriate use of a surplus land and property asset.

Following the transfer of part of the site to Ashley House by way of a long lease, the remainder of the site will remain within the council's control. Consisting of the Wellsbourne Centre - a part demolished and dilapidated school building with car park and grounds. As a vacant site it represents a liability to the council which requires constant management and maintenance to ensure we meet our duty of care, particularly to unauthorised intruders who access it. The risks and liabilities associated with managing the vacant site can be reduced by occupying it as an operational building temporarily which will require substantial investment. The alternative is for the site to be demolished which Ashley House have offered to carry out at nil cost to the council. This reduces the risks and liabilities to the council and offers a value for money solution.

DETAILS OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

If Ashley House were to demolish only those parts of the building necessary to allow the construction of the health facility, GP Surgery and make good what remains, the partial building will need to be made safe and managed until plans are put in place for the redevelopment of the remaining site. A partially demolished building may need extra investment and resources to ensure that it is structurally sound and safe. Also as a vacant and vulnerable building the council will need to address the risks and protect the building from unauthorised intruders on site. This too would require extra investment and resources that would not prove to be proportionate to its retention and thus would not represent value for money.

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