

24 January 2013

This record relates to Agenda Item 109

RECORD OF POLICY & RESOURCES COMMITTEE DECISION

SUBJECT: COUNCIL TAX BASE 2013/14

AUTHOR: JAMES HENGEVELD

THE DECISION

1. That the report be approved for the calculation of the council's tax base for the year 2013/14;

2. That, in accordance with the Local Authorities (Calculation of Tax Base) (England) Regulations 2012, the amounts calculated by Brighton & Hove City Council as its council tax base for the year 2013/14 shall be agreed as follows:-

For Brighton and Hove whole – 79,781.90 (as detailed in appendix 1)

For the Royal Crescent Enclosure Committee – 30.85 (as detailed in appendix 2)

For the Hanover Crescent Enclosure Committee – 38.75 (as detailed in appendix 3)

For the Marine Square Enclosure Committee – 63.17 (as detailed in appendix 4)

For the Parish of Rottingdean – 1,456.99 (as detailed in appendix 5)

3. That, for the purposes of Section 35(1) of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, the expenses of meeting the special levies issued to the council by the Enclosure Committees shall be agreed as its special expenses; and

4. That it be agreed that the Enclosure Committees and Rottingdean Parish be paid approximately £5,000 council tax reduction grant in total to ensure that they are no better or no worse off as a result of the introduction of the council tax reduction scheme for the reasons set out in paragraph 3.7 of the report.

REASON FOR THE DECISION

It is a requirement of the Local Government Finance Act 1992 and associated regulations that the tax base is calculated for the purpose of setting the Council Tax in 2013/14 before 31st January 2013.

DETAILS OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

The calculation of the council tax base is determined largely by regulation. Options relating to the council tax reduction scheme and changes to discounts and exemptions were considered by Council in December.

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RECORD OF POLICY & RESOURCES COMMITTEE DECISION

SUBJECT: BUSINESS RATES RETENTION
FORECAST 2013/14

AUTHOR: MARK IRELAND

THE DECISION

1. That the business rates forecast with the amount to be retained of £49.235m as set out in the NNDR1 2013/14 form at appendix 1 be agreed;
2. That the technical issues relating to future successful business rate appeals and refunds raised in the response to the provisional grant settlement set out in appendix 2 to the report and the potential impact on the budget be noted; and
3. That the positive outcome of the independent review of the council's current systems for identifying changes to the rating list and informing the Valuation Office set out in paragraph 3.25 of the report and the improvements suggested be noted.

REASON FOR THE DECISION

The council has a statutory duty to agree a NNDR1 form by the 31 January 2013.

DETAILS OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

These are discussed within the body of the report.

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RECORD OF POLICY & RESOURCES COMMITTEE DECISION

SUBJECT: FUTURE OF THE MOBILE LIBRARY
SERVICE

AUTHOR: SALLY MCMAHON

THE DECISION

1. That the recommendations of the Economic Development & Culture Committee as set out in paragraphs 3.7 and 3.8 of the report and detailed below be noted;
 - 3.7 The EDCC on the 15 November 2012 agreed to recommend to Policy and Resources Committee that its preferred Option 3 as set out above, is considered as part of the process for setting the budget for 2013/14 and 2014/15 over the coming months, this to include the purchase of a new replacement vehicle subject to the value for money assessment for both capital and revenue resources.
 - 3.8 The Committee also wished to place on record that the above is their preferred majority option and that that their preference is that delivery of this service is supported by purchase of a new vehicle and that they wish this to be taken into account when the Policy and Resources Committee consider the matter.
2. That in having regard to the value for money assessment as outlined in the financial implications paragraph and the options detailed in paragraph 3.5 of the report, Option 7, to replace the Mobile Library with an expanded Home Delivery service to provide more targeted services for those unable to get to a static library or use the Mobile Library be approved.

REASON FOR THE DECISION

The EDCC on the 15 November 2012 resolved that the recommendations be put to the Policy and Resources Committee.

DETAILS OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

Alternative options were considered at the EDCC on the 15 November 2012, and the two preferred options have been outlined in 3.5 above.

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This record relates to Agenda Item 112

RECORD OF POLICY & RESOURCES COMMITTEE DECISION

SUBJECT: LIFE EVENTS FEES AND CHARGES
2013/14

AUTHOR: PAUL HOLLOWAY

THE DECISION

1. That the fees and charges for Life Events in Appendix 1 (Bereavement Services) and Appendix 2 (Registration) to the report be approved and recommended to Budget Council; and
2. That in regard to (1) above, the proposed charges for 'cemeteries: to erect a memorial on a child's grave-space' be frozen at 2012/13 levels.

REASON FOR THE DECISION

The recommendations are justifiable and make business sense in the service areas. Our highly regarded services have the potential to generate more income. This is based on information included within the appendices to the report. It must however be appreciated that additional and new services for customers in both the Bereavement and Registration areas are high risk in terms of their scope for income generation, as they are untried and untested at a time when there are considerable financial uncertainties across the entire economy.

DETAILS OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

A benchmarking exercise has identified there is real potential for increasing our fees and charges across both the Bereavement and Registration services. Both have excellent reputations for providing high quality customer focussed services, and there is a need to maximise income generation. The exercise can be achieved whilst remaining extremely competitive with our neighbours and other service providers nearby.

It makes sense to build on the new pricing structure, agreed last year for services in both areas. The alternative of not updating fees and charges would miss out on opportunities to justifiably generate more income for services that are already recognised for their quality.

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RECORD OF POLICY & RESOURCES COMMITTEE

COUNCIL DECISION

SUBJECT: SUBMISSION CITY PLAN, PART 1

AUTHOR: HELEN GREGORY

THE DECISION

1. That the summary of the responses to the consultation on the draft City Plan Part 1 be noted (summarised in Appendix 1 to the report with a full schedule attached to the Statement of Consultation on city council's website, placed in the Members' Rooms and in Customer Service Centres);
2. That the Proposed Submission City Plan Part 1 be agreed and published for statutory public consultation for a six week period commencing in February 2013, (Along with appendices and supporting documents);
3. That the document should be subsequently submitted to the Secretary of State subject to no material changes, other than alterations for the purposes of clarification, improved accuracy of meaning or typographical corrections, being necessary;
4. That the Head of Planning and Public Protection be authorised to agree any draft "main modifications" to the City Plan Part 1 necessary to make it sound and to authorise the publication of such draft modifications for public consultation save that should any draft modification involve a major shift in the policy approach of the City Plan Part 1 the draft modification shall be referred by the Head of Planning and Public Protection to the Policy and Resources Committee for approval;
5. That it be noted that all modifications to the Plan will be presented to the Policy & Resources Committee and Full Council in due course as part of the adoption of the City Plan Part 1; and
6. That the following studies be approved as supporting evidence for the City Plan and further Local Development Documents:
 - The Employment Land Study Review 2012
 - Draft Transport Assessment 2012
 - The Brighton and Hove Energy Study 2012
 - Local Housing Requirements update 2012
 - Strategic Housing land Availability assessment (SHLAA) Update 2012
 - Housing Needs Assessment 2012
 - Site capacity assessments 2012

REASON FOR THE DECISION

To progress the adoption of the City Plan Part 1 in order to ensure the council has an up to date strategic planning framework for the city to replace the current Local Plan. Approval of Council is required to submit the City Plan for examination.

DETAILS OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

This is the only practicable option if the City Plan Part 1 is to progress towards adoption.

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RECORD OF POLICY & RESOURCES COMMITTEE

COUNCIL DECISION

SUBJECT: COMMUNITY SAFETY, CRIME
REDUCTION AND DRUGS STRATEGY
2011-2014

AUTHOR: LINDA BEANLANDS

THE DECISION

- 1 That the crime reduction and safety priorities included within the updated Community Safety, Crime Reduction and Drugs Strategy 2011 – 2014 be noted and recommended to council for approval; and
- 2 That the summary of some of the new work included within the Strategy together with action being taken to improve value for money be noted.

REASON FOR THE DECISION

Approval required of the Community Safety, Crime Reduction and Drugs Strategy 2011 to 2014 and the financial management arrangements for its delivery.

DETAILS OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

The analysis of the strategic assessment of crime and disorder which is undertaken annually, considers the range of options which can be employed to reduce crime and improve safety. Decisions on the good practice models which are deployed and described within the appended Strategy are decisions which are made by the Community Safety Partnership.

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RECORD OF POLICY & RESOURCES COMMITTEE DECISION

SUBJECT: PAY MODERNISATION

AUTHOR: SUE MOORMAN

THE DECISION

1. That the contents of the report and the need to modernise aspects of the council's pay and terms and conditions which are locally determined be noted;
2. That it be agreed that the council should commence a process designed to implement a new system of allowances and additional payments that are consistent, modern and transparent;
3. That it be agreed that the council should commence a process designed to introduce Job Families and implement any associated changes to the council's grading structure and pay-line;
4. That the Chief Executive be authorised to nominate officers, to enter into negotiations with the recognised trade unions with a view to reaching an agreement on a revised package of pay and terms and conditions; and
5. That the Chief Executive, the Director of Adult Social Care and the Director of Finance be authorised to implement a modernised pay and terms and conditions package in accordance with the law, including the power to adopt appropriate grievance and appeal procedures and to take any other steps necessary, conducive or incidental to achievement of the same.

REASON FOR THE DECISION

Reasons for the report recommendations are set out above.

DETAILS OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

None

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This record relates to Agenda Item 116

RECORD OF POLICY & RESOURCES COMMITTEE DECISION

SUBJECT: PUBLIC HEALTH TRANSITION

AUTHOR: PETER WILKINSON

THE DECISION

1. That the proposed transfer of the Brighton & Hove Primary Care Trust public health function, as described within the report, to the city council as of 1st April 2013 be noted; and
2. That the Chief Executive, after consultation with the Head of Legal and Democratic Services, be authorised to finalise and agree the arrangements for the transfer, together with any documentation necessary to give effect to the transfer, in accordance with the requirements of the Department of Health.

REASON FOR THE DECISION

The transfer of the local public health function brings with it new responsibilities, new staff and associated financial resources.

Local authorities will have to agree the transfer of the function and associated resources.

DETAILS OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

The requirement for the transfer of the public health function from the NHS to local authorities is set out in the Health and Social Care Act 2012. No alternatives are proposed.

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This record relates to Agenda Item 117

RECORD OF POLICY & RESOURCES COMMITTEE DECISION

SUBJECT: DESIGNATION OF BRIGHTON & HOVE
AS A NO-FRACKING ZONE

AUTHOR: THURSTAN CROCKETT

THE DECISION

1. That Brighton & Hove be approved as a no-fracking zone.

REASON FOR THE DECISION

A Notice of Motion was carried at the last Policy & Resources Committee on 29 November 2012 (available as Annex 2 to this document). It recommended a declaration of intent to designate Brighton & Hove as a frack-free zone.

DETAILS OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

Not to declare Brighton & Hove as no-fracking zone however this is not recommended as a course of action.

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This record relates to Agenda Item 118

RECORD OF POLICY & RESOURCES COMMITTEE DECISION

SUBJECT: EUROPEAN COMMISSION COVENANT
OF MAYORS ON CLIMATE CHANGE

AUTHOR: MITA PATEL

THE DECISION

1. That the city council becoming a signatory to the Covenant of Mayors.

REASON FOR THE DECISION

The opportunity to sign up to the Covenant of Mayors arose during the leader of the council's recent visit to the Eurocities annual conference and on exploring this further, officers believe there are real benefits to doing so now.

DETAILS OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

The council could decide not to sign up to the Covenant of Mayors – this is not recommended for the reasons stated at 5.6.2 and 5.6.3 above.

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This record relates to Agenda Item 119

RECORD OF POLICY & RESOURCES COMMITTEE DECISION

SUBJECT: SHOW US YOU CARE CAMPAIGN

AUTHOR: PHILIP LETCHFIELD

THE DECISION

1. That it be agreed that the Council should sign up to the 'Show Us You Care' campaign.

REASON FOR THE DECISION

Through supporting this campaign the Council will be adding its weight to a national campaign on funding matters that are of significance to the Council and to local people.

DETAILS OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

By not supporting the campaign the Council will lose an opportunity to participate in and lend its weight to an issue of significant local importance.

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This record relates to Agenda Item 120

RECORD OF POLICY & RESOURCES COMMITTEE

COUNCIL DECISION

SUBJECT: ADOPTION OF THE EAST SUSSEX,
SOUTH DOWNS AND BRIGHTON &
HOVE WASTE AND MINERALS PLAN

AUTHOR: STEVE TREMLETT

THE DECISION

1. That the adoption of the Waste & Minerals Plan (WMP), incorporating the Main Modification and minor modifications, as waste and minerals planning policy subject to the Head of Planning and Public Protection agreeing any further minor changes to the text of the Waste and Minerals Plan with East Sussex County Council and the South Downs National Park Authority be agreed;
2. That the analysis of the responses to the consultation on the Main Modification to the WMP be noted;
3. That the contents of the Inspector's Report and her conclusion that the WMP is legally compliant and 'sound' be noted;
4. That the minor non-material modifications made to the WMP be noted; and
5. That the Main Modification made to the WMP be agreed.

REASON FOR THE DECISION

Approval of Council is required to adopt the Waste and Minerals Plan.

DETAILS OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

This is the only practicable option if the Waste and Minerals Plan is to be adopted.

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This record relates to Agenda Item 121

RECORD OF POLICY & RESOURCES COMMITTEE DECISION

SUBJECT: HOME ENERGY EFFICIENCY
INVESTMENT OPTIONS - GREEN DEAL

AUTHOR: MARTIN REID

THE DECISION

1. That the successful grant funding bids set out in paragraphs 3.3 and 3.4 of the report be noted;
2. That the options and opportunities presented by the Green Deal and Energy Company Obligation to meet key objectives in Brighton & Hove and the potential to work with West Sussex County Council, and other local authorities in the region, to develop a model that delivers both Green Deal and ECO opportunities for the benefit of local residents, businesses and the economy be noted;.
3. That the Strategic Director, Place be granted delegated authority to sign the 'Memorandum of Understanding' with West Sussex County Council as a potential investor in their Green Deal scheme (attached as Appendix 3 to the report); and
4. That it be noted that any final decision on entering contractual obligations with a Green Deal provider will be the subject of a further report to this Committee following a procurement process that will run throughout 2013.

REASON FOR THE DECISION

Nationally, Green Deal and ECO will be the main source of finance and delivery of energy efficiency to both households and businesses from autumn 2012 onwards. All existing sources of energy company subsidies and funding are planned to finish at the end of 2012.

DETAILS OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

As previously stated the Council can choose to not actively engage in the Green Deal and allow the market place to develop locally to offer services to local residents.

Subject to identifying suitable resources the Council could choose to invest directly into housing stock in the City along the lines of the current Private Sector Housing Renewal Assistance programme, through a combination of grants and loans.

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This record relates to Agenda Item 122

RECORD OF POLICY & RESOURCES COMMITTEE DECISION

SUBJECT: VOLKS RAILWAY CAPITAL PROJECT

AUTHOR: TONI MANUEL

THE DECISION

The report had been withdrawn.

REASON FOR THE DECISION

This project will contribute to the sustainable economic future of the Volks Railway and the city through investing in this heritage attraction; bringing it up to date with an innovative approach to support the ongoing regeneration of Madeira Drive, building greater capacity for job creation in the visitor economy, and stimulating greater investment in the green economy, in particular the renewables sector.

DETAILS OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

Officers fully investigated the alternative option of refurbishing the train sheds without introducing the solar elements, external landscaping and all-weather train. The budget costs associated with even a basic refurbishment still far exceeded the capital sum available through borrowing. When the Coastal Communities Fund was launched it became clear that solely a train shed replacement would not be eligible for funding as this would not fit the strict criteria and outcomes required. However, when included alongside the solar elements and extending the season of the railway the proposed scheme has clearly proven to achieve the key objectives, these are:

- better able to use their assets (physical, natural, social, economic and cultural) to promote sustainable economic growth and jobs;
- Coastal communities have greater capacity to create a sustainable economic future, and are better equipped to adapt to change;
- Partnerships are developed to support economic innovation, enterprise and investment, either within a community or across a number of coastal communities;
- People have more opportunities for training and skills development, including volunteering.

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This record relates to Agenda Item 123

RECORD OF POLICY & RESOURCES COMMITTEE DECISION

SUBJECT: SALTDEAN LIDO - OPTIONS FOR
FUTURE OPERATION

AUTHOR: IAN SHURROCK

THE DECISION

1. That the results of the soft market testing that has been undertaken to inform options for the long-term operation of the Saltdean Lido Complex be noted; and
2. That the marketing of a 50-year full repairing lease for the Saltdean Lido Complex, including the operation of the Lido pools and the provision of additional community facilities to achieve a long-term viable operation of the facility, the outcome of which will be brought back to the Policy & Resources Committee at a future meeting be noted.

REASON FOR THE DECISION

To request members to commence the formal process to secure the long-term future of the Saltdean Lido Complex.

DETAILS OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

The evaluation of options is included in the body of the report.

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This record relates to Agenda Item 124

RECORD OF POLICY & RESOURCES COMMITTEE DECISION

SUBJECT: ARTICLE 4 DIRECTION – HOUSES IN
MULTIPLE OCCUPATION

AUTHOR: HAMISH WALKE

THE DECISION

1. That the direction under article 4 of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) Order 1995 (as amended) to remove the permitted development right to change the use of a building from a dwelling house (Class C3) to a House in Multiple Occupation (Class C4) within the five electoral wards for the reasons outlined in this report be confirmed; and
2. That having confirmed the direction in (1) above, it be noted that the direction would come into force on 5 April 2013.

REASON FOR THE DECISION

An article 4 direction would, if confirmed, provide a planning tool to help manage the concentration of HMO accommodation within certain parts of the city.

DETAILS OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

The alternative option is not to confirm the article 4 direction. This would retain the current situation that a planning application is not required to change the use of a dwelling house (C3) into a House in Multiple Occupation (C4). The local planning authority would have no control over resultant increases in concentration of HMOs.

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This record relates to Agenda Item 125

RECORD OF POLICY & RESOURCES COMMITTEE DECISION

SUBJECT: CONTRACTUAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR
STRENGTHENING THE KING'S ROAD
ARCHES

AUTHOR: LEON BELLIS

THE DECISION

1. That the urgency and essential nature of the initial strengthening works to the seafront Arches and the additional, associated opportunities and benefits that these works present regarding the delivery of the i360 viewing tower be recognised;
2. That the award of the scheme contract for the urgent and essential strengthening works to the seafront arch structures between Alfresco's Restaurant and the West Pier (referred to as Arch Numbers 36-61), under the 'Coast Protection and Highway Structures Maintenance Framework Agreement 2012 – 2015' be approved; and
3. That it be agreed that priority should be given to identifying and allocating funding from within the council's budgets to enable the planned strengthening works and internal refurbishment to be undertaken during 2012/13 to 2014/15, to coincide with the planned construction programme for the i360 viewing tower.

REASON FOR THE DECISION

The decision sought is required in order to comply with the council's Standing Order.

DETAILS OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

The only viable alternative to undertaking the structural strengthening and refurbishment works would to completely infill all the arches with concrete. This however, would render the units sealed in perpetuity excluding all future business development. This would reduce all future rental income to the council and prohibit the regeneration of a viable seafront, leaving the area devoid of any future amenities.

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This record relates to Agenda Item 126

RECORD OF POLICY & RESOURCES COMMITTEE DECISION

SUBJECT: FUNDING FOR ROAD WORKS PERMIT
SCHEME BUSINESS CASE

AUTHOR: JEFF ELLIOTT

THE DECISION

1. That the Transport Committee's recommendation to implement a road works permit scheme for Brighton & Hove be agreed;
2. That the one-off, non recoverable funding of up to £100k for engagement of specialist consultants to support the bid documentation design of a permit scheme system for Brighton & Hove be approved; and
3. That up to £225k of recoverable funding to set up the permit team staff, equipment and systems required to run the scheme be approved.

REASON FOR THE DECISION

Congestion of the city's streets is a high-profile issue and the council must act in the best interests of residents, businesses and visitors alike. Full consultation (of those mentioned earlier in this report) and consideration of all aspects and options available must be carried out and included in any application or decision to apply for a road works permit scheme for Brighton & Hove.

DETAILS OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

The Street Authority currently meets its Network Management Duty through the existing noticing system and any application for a permit scheme must show why the Council has decided to apply to change to a permitting approach.

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This record relates to Agenda Item 127

RECORD OF ADULT CARE & HEALTH COMMITTEE POLICY & RESOURCES COMMITTEE DECISION

SUBJECT: DEVELOPMENTS AT CRAVEN VALE

AUTHOR: JANE MACDONALD

THE DECISION

- (1) That it be noted that the development would be delivered by Property & Design using the Council's existing Strategic Construction Partnership;
- (2) That delegated power be given to the Director of Adult Social Services and the Director of Finance to enter into a building contract with an estimated value of £2.2million; and
- (3) That the Craven Vale Development be added to the Capital Programme and the Capital Project be approved at a total cost of £2.883m (£1.442m in 2013/14 and £1.441m in 2014/15) to be funded as proposed in paragraph 5.2 of the report.

REASON FOR THE DECISION

The recommendations are consistent with recommendations in the Short term Services Review.

DETAILS OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

Below are two options that were considered and not taken forward

Tender for new provider

- Craven Vale have a history of providing a high quality service (currently 31 beds is less than an 'efficient' size)
- The current undersupply of older people care home could be impacted if the process if the tender was awarded to a current provider – ie beds already used in the system would be changed and thus not available for other use

Do nothing

- The current 'short term' service is spread across the city (efficiency savings are possible)
- Craven Vale is not an 'efficient' size

Proper Officer:

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24 January 2013

This record relates to Agenda Item 128

RECORD OF POLICY & RESOURCES COMMITTEE DECISION

SUBJECT: SHARED SERVICES REVIEW

AUTHOR: TOM HOOK

THE DECISION

1. That the report, in particular the range of current shared service type arrangements set out in Appendix 1 to the report be noted;
2. That the development of further shared service arrangements where this is consistent with four guiding principles set out in paragraph 3.11.2 of the report be agreed; and
3. That the Chief Executive be requested to review existing shared service arrangements and potential new shared services arrangements in support of the Council's Medium Term Financial Strategy, Value for Money Programme and modernisation agenda and alongside other alternative service delivery models.

REASON FOR THE DECISION

These are as set out in the body of the report.

DETAILS OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

The option of continuing the current practice of approaching the issue of shared services was considered. However, the proposals in the report have the potential to assist the Council to get best value, avoid duplication, and achieve consistency of approach.

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RECORD OF POLICY & RESOURCES COMMITTEE

COUNCIL DECISION

SUBJECT: HEALTH AND SAFETY ANNUAL
SERVICE PLAN 2013/14

AUTHOR: ROY PICKARD

THE DECISION

1. That the proposed Health & Safety Annual Service Plan 2013/2014 as detailed in Appendix 1 to the report be recommended to the full Council for approval.

REASON FOR THE DECISION

Compliance with statutory duties.

Whilst the primary responsibility for managing health and safety risks lies with the business who creates the risk, health & safety regulators have an important role in ensuring the effective and proportionate management of risks, supporting business, protecting their communities and contributing to a wider public health agenda.

DETAILS OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

None. The Service Plan is a statutory requirement. The National Code provides direction to local authorities on meeting statutory requirements.

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RECORD OF POLICY & RESOURCES COMMITTEE DECISION

SUBJECT: REVIEW OF MEETINGS TIMETABLE
2013/14

AUTHOR: MARK WALL

THE DECISION

1. That the proposed timetable of meetings for 2013/14 be approved.

REASON FOR THE DECISION

The report outlines the proposed schedule of meetings for 2013/14 and enables Members and members of the public to identify when various committees are due to meet throughout the year.

DETAILS OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

Discussions have been held at the Member Cross Party Working Group and the Leadership Group in regard to the start times of meetings and the conclusion has been to retain the 4.00pm start time.

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RECORD OF POLICY & RESOURCES COMMITTEE DECISION

SUBJECT: PAY MODERNISATION - EXEMPT
CATEGORIES 4 AND 5

AUTHOR: SUE MOORMAN

THE DECISION

1. That the Chief Executive and Director of Finance be authorised to agree the detailed financial package within the parameters set out in paragraph 5.4 of the report.

REASON FOR THE DECISION

DETAILS OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

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