



St Edmundsbury
BOROUGH COUNCIL
DECISIONS NOTICE

The following decisions were taken in the week ending 28 May 2010 and, if not called in by Councillors, will come into operation on Tuesday 8 June 2010. A decision may be called in, in accordance with the Rules of Procedure contained within Part 4 of the Constitution, by Councillors submitting a request in writing to Democratic Services (e-mail: democratic.services@stedsbcc.gov.uk) by 5 pm on Monday 7 June 2010.

A. DECISIONS TAKEN BY OFFICERS ON 26 MAY 2010

Item No.	Subject (Forward Plan Ref)	Report No.	Decision	Financial Implications	Reason(s) for Decision	Other Option(s) Considered	Contact(s)
5	Report of the Performance and Audit Scrutiny Committee: Data Quality Policy Annual Update (Jun10/04)	B6	(a) The 2010/2011 Data Quality Action Plan, as set out in Report A641, be approved; and (b) under Section 8.1 of the Council's adopted Data Quality Action Plan, Roles and Responsibilities, 'Director Lead' and 'Corporate Director of Resources' be replaced with 'Officer Lead' and 'Chief Executive' respectively.	Updating the Data Quality Action Plan is undertaken within existing resources.	The Policy sets out how the Council will maintain and improve its ability to ensure the data it uses and holds in key systems is a good quality, and consistent with the efficient and effective use of resources.	Options were considered in detail by the Performance and Audit Scrutiny Committee.	David Ray (01359-250912) Davina Howes (01284-757070)
6	Report of the Performance and Audit Scrutiny Committee: Council Improvement Plan (Jun10/05)	B7	The 2010/2011 Council Improvement Plan, as set out in Report A640, be approved.	Updating the Council Improvement Plan is undertaken within existing resources.	The Plan brings together a range of actions to help the Council achieve further improvements in its performance, and is a key driver for the Council in the Corporate Plan. It is also seen as good practice for Council's to have an	Options were considered in detail by the Performance and Audit Scrutiny Committee.	David Ray (01359-250912) Davina Howes (01284-757070)

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7	Asset Management Plan: Corn Exchange, Bury St Edmunds Options for Use (Jun10/02)	B8	In accordance with the Council's adopted option appraisal process of the Asset Management Plan, which includes community management and ownership of assets, the two formal bids for the leasehold of the Corn Exchange, Bury St Edmunds received from JD Wetherspoon PLC and Abbeycroft Leisure are short-listed for further investigation, negotiation and consultation.	The income from the leasehold will not be determined until there is an unconditional bid which is accepted by the Borough Council. However, if the Council mothball the building then it would cost nearly £30,000 a year and would not remove the potential liability for future repairs and investment.	In 2004 Council agreed that the Corn Exchange in Bury St Edmunds would be declared surplus to operational requirements when the new public venue (The Apex) opened.	Options concerning the leasehold are still subject to investigations, negotiating and consultation with the two organisations that submitted formal bids.	Nigel Aitkens (01284-735258) Alex Wilson (01284-757695)
9	Recommendations from Sustainable Development Panel: 18 May 2010 (Jun10/07)	B9	<p>(a) Mid Suffolk District Council's Local Development Framework (LDF): Stowmarket Area Action Plan – Second Submission draft April 2010</p> <p>That representations be submitted to Mid Suffolk District Council regarding the Stowmarket Business and Enterprise Park allocation in the Stowmarket Area Action Plan on the basis of the contents of Report A684.</p> <p>(b) Replacement Local Plan – Policy BSE3: Suffolk Business Park, Moreton Hall, Bury St Edmunds. Approval of Masterplan</p> <p>That, subject to the approval of full Council, :-</p>	<p>Responding to this consultation document was undertaken within existing resources.</p> <p>The draft Masterplan was prepared by consultants acting on behalf of one of the major land owners in respect of the land at Suffolk Business Park.</p>	<p>The Council is committed to responding to consultation documents. In this particular case the Council considers that the proposals is a large threat to the delivery of development of land allocated for employment at the Suffolk Business Park and also challenges the designation of Bury St Edmunds as a key centre for development and change.</p> <p>Land east of Suffolk Business Park is allocated for development in the Replacement Local Plan. The local plan states that development cannot proceed until masterplans</p>	<p>Not to respond to this consultation document was not considered an option.</p> <p>Options were considered in detail by the Bury St Edmunds Area Working Party and the Sustainable</p>	<p>Terry Clements (01284-827161)</p> <p>Patsy Dell (01284-757306)</p> <p>Terry Clements (01284-827161)</p> <p>Patsy Dell (01284-757306)</p>

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			<p>The masterplan for the development of Suffolk Business Park and the Eastern Relief Road, Bury St Edmunds, attached as Appendix B of Report A676, be adopted as non-statutory planning guidance.</p> <p><i>(This item was also considered by the Bury St Edmunds Area Working Party, which made the same recommendation to the Cabinet.)</i></p>		have been adopted.	Development Panel.	
10	Recommendations from Bury St Edmunds Area Working Party: 11 May 2010 (Jun10/06)	B10	<p>(a) Replacement Local Plan – Policy BSE3: Suffolk Business Park, Moreton Hall, Bury St Edmunds. Approval of Masterplan (Report A676)</p> <p><i>(This item was also considered by the Sustainable Development Panel, which made the same recommendation to the Cabinet. See item 9 above.)</i></p> <p>(b) Engineering Services Works Programme</p> <p>(1) The changes to the management of parking in parts of Queen's Road and York Road, as set out in section 3.2 of Report A677, be approved; and</p>	<p>The draft Masterplan was prepared by consultants acting on behalf of one of the major land owners in respect of the land at Suffolk Business Park.</p> <p>The changes to the neighbourhood parking scheme can be undertaken within existing budgets.</p>	<p>Land east of Suffolk Business Park is allocated for development in the Replacement Local Plan. The Local Plan states that development cannot proceed until masterplans have been adopted.</p> <p>The outcome of the investigation into parking in the Queens Road and York Road Area and subjected to consultation.</p>	<p>Options were considered in detail by the Bury St Edmunds Area Working Party and the Sustainable Development Panel.</p> <p>Options were considered in detail by the Bury St Edmunds Area Working Party.</p>	<p>Terry Clements (01284-827161)</p> <p>Patsy Dell (01284-757306)</p> <p>Terry Clements (01284-827161)</p> <p>Steve Boor (01284-757323)</p>

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			<p>(2) the outcome of the recent consultation with the local community in Risbygate Street/St Andrews Street North be noted and the proposal for a way forward as detailed at paragraph 4.3 of Report A677 be approved.</p> <p>(c) Temporary Park and Ride Site: Rougham Airfield That, the initiative to provide a temporary park and ride site at Rougham Airfield, as outlined in Report A678, be agreed in principle, subject to Suffolk County Council funding being available, additional negotiations and the necessary planning consent.</p>	<p>The financial implications cannot be finalised until the officers develop full proposals to address the concerns.</p> <p>The estimated costs of the necessary works is £50,000 and funding for this is currently being sought from Suffolk County Council.</p>	<p>A scheme will be worked up to take account of further discussions held between the Borough Council and businesses and residents of Risbygate Street/St Andrews Street North.</p> <p>It is considered necessary that to cope with periods of exceptional demand for car parking in Bury St Edmunds, such as the immediate pre-Christmas weekends, the Borough Council should operate a temporary park and ride site which does not require the use of car parking in the ownership of businesses and the Council within the town.</p>	<p>Options were considered in detail by the Bury St Edmunds Area Working Party.</p> <p>Options were considered in detail by the Bury St Edmunds Area Working Party.</p>	<p>Terry Clements (01284-827161)</p> <p>Steve Boor (01284-757323)</p> <p>Terry Clements (01284-827161)</p> <p>Steve Boor (01284-757323)</p>
11	Recommendations from Emergency Panel: 27 April 2010 (Jun10/01)	B11	That the draft letter, attached as Appendix A to Report A670, be approved and sent to those properties identified.	The dispatch of the letter will be undertaken within existing resources.	It is considered appropriate that Suffolk communities which are at risk of flooding should be made aware of the available advice and information to improve domestic flood protection arrangements.	Options were considered in detail by the Emergency Panel.	<p>Peter Stevens (01787-280284)</p> <p>David Bird (01284-757035)</p>
12	Community Centre Transfer (Jun10/08)	B12	(1) The Cabinet commit in principle to the transfer of the Southgate Community Centre to the group formed by Southgate Community Association with the Southgate	In total the five community centres cost the Borough Council £90,000 a year to run which should reduce when the management of the centre transfers to a	Previously the Council had determined that investigation should be undertaken for the transfer of community centre assets to local community groups.	It is for the individual community associations as to whether they wish to pursue and	<p>Sara Mildmay-White (01359-270580)</p> <p>Cathy Manning (01284-757002)</p>

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			<p>Church.</p> <p>(2) The working principles listed at section 4.7 of this report be adopted as the initial basis for discussions with groups interested in the transfer of a community centre, subject to consideration of the detail in relation to each individual centre as proposals are developed.</p> <p>(3) Officers undertake detailed work with the Southgate steering group and the Development Trust Association and report back at the earliest opportunity with a worked up proposal for a community asset transfer with a view to transfer the centre by April 2011.</p> <p>(4) Officers maintain contact with the Community Associations at Leiston in Haverhill and Newbury and Westbury in Bury St Edmunds and provide advice and training, where requested, to support those associations in developing their skills.</p> <p>(5) In relation to the remaining four centres, that officers pursue any other opportunities for joint work with public sector, voluntary or community groups partners which is consistent with</p>	community association.		ultimately take over the management of their community centres.	

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			maintaining a community facility on those sites and report back to the Cabinet on any proposals which emerge.				

Joy Bowes,
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28 May 2010