



*St Edmundsbury*  
BOROUGH COUNCIL  
**DECISIONS NOTICE**

The following decisions were taken in the week ending 23 January 2009 and, if not called in by Councillors, will come into operation on Monday 2 February 2009. 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 Friday 30 January 2009.

**A. DECISIONS TAKEN BY CABINET ON 21 JANUARY 2009**

<b>Item No.</b>	<b>Subject (Forward Plan Ref)</b>	<b>Report No.</b>	<b>Decision</b>	<b>Financial Implications</b>	<b>Reason(s) for Decision</b>	<b>Other Option(s) Considered</b>	<b>Contact(s)</b>
4	Grant Panel: 16 December 2008 (Jan09/05)	Z477	<b>(1)Applications for Project Funding: 2008/2009</b>  <b>(a)Recreation, Village Halls and Play Scheme Grants</b> <b>(1)West Anglia Suffolk and Haverhill (WASH) Sailability</b> A grant of £8,400 be awarded to West Anglia Suffolk and Haverhill (WASH) Sailability towards the cost of creating sailing facilities for the disabled at Lackford Lakes. <b>(b)Art Grants</b> <b>(1)Eastern Angles</b> A grant of £500 be awarded to Eastern Angles towards supporting the costs of their performances and workshops within the Borough; <b>(2)Bury St Edmunds Ecumenical Centre Trust (BECT)</b> a grant of £450 be awarded to the Bury St Edmunds Ecumenical Centre Trust towards the cost of the new screens/room dividers at St John's Centre in Bury St Edmunds; and	As detailed in the decisions.	Recommendations from the Grant Panel.	The Grant Panel considered in detail each application.	Paul Farmer (01284-768777)  Sara Mildmay- White (01359-270580)  Mike Dawson (01284-757060)

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			<p><b>(3)Suffolk Art Link</b> a grant of £500 be awarded to Suffolk Artlink towards funding weekly music sessions at the Albany Centre, Bury St Edmunds.</p> <p><b>(2)Application for Project Funding 2009/2010: St John’s School Centre Trust</b> Subject to the budget setting process, a grant of £15,000 be approved from the unallocated budget in the Capital Programme for 2009/2010.</p> <p><b>(3)Application for Core Funding 2009/2010: Citizens’ Advice Bureaux in St Edmundsbury</b> Subject to the budget setting process:- (1)grants to the Citizens’ Advice Bureaux (CABx) in St Edmundsbury be increased, for 2009/2010 only, on the basis of match funding the grant increase received from Suffolk County Council, resulting in a total grant of £95,500 to Bury St Edmunds Citizens’ Advice Bureau (CAB) and £106,500 to Haverhill and District CAB; (2)the Corporate Director for Community, in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Community, be authorised to carry out a mid-year review of the grants with the CABx and adjust them accordingly; and (3)the funding for 2010/2011 be subject to a detailed review.</p>	<p>As detailed in decisions but subject to the budget setting process.</p> <p>As detailed in decisions but subject to the budget setting process.</p>	<p>Recommendations from the Grant Panel.</p> <p>The recommendations emanating from the Grant Panel were revised to reflect Suffolk County Council’s announcement to increase its funding to both CABx in St Edmundsbury for 2009/2010. In addition, central Government would be allocating £10 million nationally to CABx for access on a bid basis and both CABx in St Edmundsbury were expected to make bids. As the outcomes of the</p>	<p>The Grant Panel considered in detail each application.</p> <p>The Grant Panel had considered in detail the recommendations of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee.</p>	<p>Paul Farmer (01284-768777)</p> <p>Sara Mildmay-White (01359-270580)</p> <p>Mike Dawson (01284-757060)</p>

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			<p><b>(4)Application for Core Funding 2009/2010: Theatre Royal, Bury St Edmunds</b> Subject to the budget setting process, a grant of £75,000 core funding to the Theatre Royal, Bury St Edmunds for 2009/2010 be approved.</p> <p><b>(5)Application for Core Funding 2009/2010: Victory Sports Ground (Bury St Edmunds) Limited</b> Subject to the budget setting process, a grant of £45,000 be awarded to the Victory Ground (Bury St Edmunds) Limited for the 2009/2010 financial year.</p>	<p>As detailed in decisions but subject to the budget setting process.</p> <p>As detailed in decisions but subject to the budget setting process.</p>	<p>bids would not be known until March 2009 , it is appropriate to keep the funding awarded by the Borough Council under review and be adjusted accordingly.</p> <p>Recommendations from the Grant Panel.</p> <p>Recommendations from the Grant Panel.</p>	<p>The Grant Panel considered in detail each application.</p> <p>The Grant Panel considered in detail each application.</p>	<p>Paul Farmer (01284-768777)</p> <p>Sara Mildmay-White (01359-270580)</p> <p>Mike Dawson (01284-757060)</p>
6	Adoption of Footway/ Cyclepath: Beetons Way to Spring Lane, Bury St Edmunds	Z478	That, the section of footway/cyclepath between points B and D, as detailed in Appendix A to Report Z478 be dedicated as public highway and adopted as maintainable at the public expense.	This section of footway/cyclepath would require maintenance at the public expense.	The Highway Authority had agreed that this route should be dedicated as public highway and adopted as maintainable at public expense. The Borough Council is able to	Not to adopt the road was not considered an option.	Terry Clements (01284-827161)  Stephen Boor (01284-757323)

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					adopt the route under the terms of the Highways Agency agreement with Suffolk County Council.		
7	Sustainable Development Panel: 13 January 2009 (Jan 09/04)	Z479	<p><b>(1) St Edmundsbury Local Development Framework: Progress Update and Project Management Report</b> That, the contents of Report Z462 be noted and the final draft Core Strategy Programme be approved.</p> <p><b>(2) Suffolk County Council Waste Core Strategy, Issues and Options Part 2 – Strategic Sites</b> That, with specific reference to the proposed strategic waste treatment facility at the Shepherd's Grove Industrial Estate in Stanton/Hepworth, the contents of Report Z463 form the basis of the Borough Council's comments on the Suffolk County Council Waste Core Strategy: Strategic Sites: Consultation, subject to the following additional views:- (a) should the Shepherd's Grove site be preferred for a strategic site, any allocation should limit the site to one residual waste treatment facility and the Waste Core Strategy should require that, before any development is granted, a concept statement should be prepared for the development of the whole of the Shepherd's Grove allocation that also reflects the local plan allocation for this site, to be funded by the County Council;</p>	<p>Preparation of the Local Development Framework documents, including the Core Strategy will be funded from existing resources.</p> <p>The cost of responding to this consultation is funded from existing resources.</p>	<p>The draft Core Strategy Programme required amendment to accord with consultation regulations.</p> <p>The Borough Council considers there will be an impact on the environment and the road network and it is considered that more information is required as to the size of the waste facility and how the impacts will be addressed before a formal decision can be made.</p>	<p>Options were considered in detail by the Sustainable Development Panel.</p> <p>Options were considered in detail by the Sustainable Development Panel.</p>	<p>Terry Clements (01284-827161)</p> <p>Ian Poole (01284 757350)</p> <p>Peter Stevens (01787-280284)</p> <p>Ian Poole (01284 757350)</p>

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			<p>(b)the Borough Council notes that the accompanying consultants' report for Shepherd's Grove only examined suitability of the northern end of the site identified in the consultation document. The County Council will need to be satisfied that the evidence is sufficiently robust to support the construction of a residual waste treatment facility on this site should it be a preferred option; and</p> <p>(c)any allocation for a residual waste treatment facility at Shepherd's Grove must provide off-site improvements including a roundabout and new link road to the A143, as required by Policy RA3 of the Replacement St Edmundsbury Borough Local Plan.</p>				
9	Gypsy and Traveller's Site at Kelly's Meadows, Depden	Z481	<p>That:-</p> <p>(1)the Council proceeds with the scheme to develop an extension to the Gypsy and Traveller site at Kelly's Meadows, Depden as detailed in Report Z481;</p> <p>(2)the appointment of a suitable planning consultant and planning mediation service to assist with the planning application process be approved;</p> <p>(3)subject to (2) above, the cost of these services should they be required, be approved up to a maximum of £25,000 and be met from the Affordable Housing capital budget allocation;</p> <p>(4)delegated authority be given to the Corporate Director for Community, in consultation with the Portfolio Holders for Community and Economy and Asset Management to:-</p> <p>(a)enter into a contract to acquire land necessary for the development of the Kelly's Meadows site at agricultural value; and</p> <p>(b)enter into a lease with the occupiers in respect of this land;</p>	There will be no capital cost to the Borough Council arising from the development of this site as this is being fully met by a Government grant; however, costs incurred for the employment of a planning consultant and planning mediators may cost up to a maximum of £25,000. Should conditions of the grant not enable these costs to be met from this grant, this will be	The Borough Council is required to ensure that provision is made to meet the needs of Gypsies and Travellers within St Edmundsbury. The scheme to extend an existing site on the boundary of Depden and Wickhambrook would help meet the assessed need.	Other options for potential sites were considered by the Gypsy and Traveller Sub-Group.	<p>Sara Mildmay-White (01359-270580)</p> <p>Carole Herries (01284-757603)</p>

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			(5)the land purchase and capital development costs be met from the Government grant for this purpose; and (6)it be noted that the scheme is dependent upon the granting of planning consent and receipt of the Government grant.	funded from the Affordable Housing capital budget allocation.			
10	Haverhill Area Working Party: 15 January 2009 (Jan 09/01)	Z482	<p><b>(1)Public Art in Queen Street, Haverhill</b> That the terms of reference for a task-and-finish group to oversee the commissioning of public art work in Queen Street, Haverhill, as detailed in Section 2 of Report Z466, as amended, be approved.</p> <p><b>(2)Haverhill Town Centre: Addition to Bespoke Furniture Range</b> That provision of the additional information signs be funded from the existing Bury St Edmunds and Haverhill Public Realm Fund.</p>	<p>£20,000 for Public Art had been allocated from the total Queen Street Enhancement Scheme (QSES) budget to enable the Public Art for the Town Centre of Haverhill (PATCH) Group to oversee the commissioning of public artwork in Queen Street, Haverhill as part of the QSES.</p> <p>The cost of producing the information signs will be funded from the existing Bury St Edmunds and Haverhill Public Realm Fund.</p>	<p>The Group will include representatives of organisations with a special interest in or knowledge of public art to ensure the most appropriate public art is commissioned in Queen Street, Haverhill.</p> <p>The current information sign/notice board did not match the new bespoke street furniture range and a new design for information signs to match this range had been devised, but is subject to further review by the Haverhill Area Working Party.</p>	<p>Options were considered in detail by the Haverhill Area Working Party.</p> <p>Options were considered in detail by the Haverhill Area Working Party.</p>	<p>Nigel Aitkens (01284-735258)</p> <p>Patsy Dell (01284-757306)</p> <p>Nigel Aitkens (01284-735258)</p> <p>Ramon Keeley (01284-757615)</p>

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			<p><b>(3) Queen Street Enhancement Scheme: Analysis of Responses to the Public Consultation and Request for Authority to Process</b> That:- (1) the concept design for the Queen Street Enhancement Scheme, Haverhill, previously approved for consultation be agreed for working up to a final engineering design and for its implementation; (2) British Telecom be requested to undertake an assessment of its existing telecommunications equipment covers located in Queen Street; and (3) subject to the outcomes of (2) above, delegated authority be given to the Head of Planning and Engineering Services, in consultation with the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Haverhill Area Working Party, to make minor amendments to the design and undertake the necessary works within approved budgets.</p> <p><b>(4) Haverhill Leisure Centre Refurbishment</b> That:- (1) the proposed alterations to the first floor of Haverhill Leisure Centre, including the provision of play areas and the formation of party rooms, be approved; and (2) (1) above be incorporated within the current Haverhill Leisure Centre Refurbishment Scheme and within the existing budget allocation for the building.</p>	<p>The current available budget for the Scheme was £300,000 provided from Section 106 funding in connection with the Tesco development on the former Station Yard Site with an additional £190,000 being allocated from Suffolk County Council's On-Street Parking Account.</p> <p>The costs for making alterations to the first floor of Haverhill Leisure Centre will be funded from the existing budget allocation for the Haverhill Leisure Centre Refurbishment Scheme.</p>	<p>Having taken into account the outcomes of the consultation, the final engineering design could now be finalised to enable its implementation. This may require minor amendments, following British Telecom's assessment of its existing telecommunications equipment covers.</p> <p>The additional alterations to the Haverhill Leisure Centre will greatly improve the facilities available to its users.</p>	<p>Options were considered in detail by the Haverhill Area Working Party.</p> <p>Options were considered in detail by the Haverhill Area Working Party.</p>	<p>Nigel Aitkens (01284-735258) Chris Rand (01284-757352)</p> <p>Nigel Aitkens (01284-735258) Ivan Sams (01284-757304)</p>

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