

RECORD OF DECISIONS

FINANCE AND MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

At the Meeting of the Finance and Management Committee held on 18th October 2007, the following decisions were taken.

Urgent decisions or those exempt from call-in are indicated in the third column of the table. These decisions cannot be called in and are effective immediately.

All other decisions may be called in until 5.00 p.m. on Friday 26th October 2007.

A request to call in a decision must be made by at least three Members, including at least one Member of the controlling group. The request must be made in writing to the Chief Executive¹.

If no request to call in a decision is received within this time limit then the decision becomes effective immediately.

<u>Agenda Item No.</u>	<u>OPEN REPORTS</u>	<u>Urgent/ Call-in Exempt</u>
7.	<u>AGENDA ITEM</u> AUDIT SUB-COMMITTEE.	
	<u>DECISION:</u> That the Minutes of the Audit Sub-Committee Meeting held on 26th September 2007 be received and noted and the recommendations contained therein be approved.	
8.	<u>AGENDA ITEM</u> REVIEW OF AREA MEETINGS.	
	<u>DECISION:</u> (1) That the Council approves a revised structure for its Area Meetings, based on the seven County Council Divisions, as a basis for consultation with parish councils and parish meetings, Derbyshire County Council and the public. (2) That the next cycle of Area Meetings, be used to consult on the proposed alterations.	
9.	<u>AGENDA ITEM</u> REVIEW OF THE COUNCIL'S FINANCIAL STRATEGY.	
	<u>DECISION:</u> That the Council's Financial Strategy be approved as submitted.	
10.	<u>AGENDA ITEM</u> REVIEW OF THE COUNCIL'S CAPITAL INVESTMENT STRATEGY.	
	<u>DECISION:</u> (1) That the Council's updated Capital Investment Strategy be approved. (2) That the use of future capital receipts from the sale of housing land and buildings (excluding Council houses) be determined through the budgeting process when they are received. (3) That the Housing and Community Services Committee reviews and develops a policy on affordable housing,	

	including options for delivery and reports back on the financial implications for the Council.	
11.	<u>AGENDA ITEM</u> BUDGET AND FINANCIAL MONITORING 2007/08.	
	DECISION: (1) That the latest budget and financial monitoring figures for 2007/08 be approved. (2) That remedial action be undertaken to contain the projected overspends within the base budget and that this be reported to Members in the next monitoring report.	
12.	<u>AGENDA ITEM</u> REVIEW OF VOLUNTARY REDUNDANCY SCHEME.	
	DECISION: That consideration of this matter be deferred and that a further report be submitted to a future meeting of the Committee.	
	<u>EXEMPT REPORTS</u>	
16.	<u>AGENDA ITEM</u> FUNDING OF RECYCLING CONTRACT EXTENSION.	
	DECISION: That the Committee agrees to the Environmental and Development Services Committee's request to fund the extension of the existing kerbside recycling contract for one year by carrying forward an identified saving of £27,000 from this year's Environmental Services Budget into 2008/09.	
17	<u>AGENDA ITEM</u> INTERIM ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE CAFÉ AT ROSLISTON FORESTRY CENTRE.	
	DECISION: (1) That the Council's strategy for interim management arrangements for the café/restaurant at Rosliston Forestry Centre be approved. (2) That a report back on progress and any financial implications be made in February 2008.	

18	<u>AGENDA ITEM</u> LAND AT MELBOURNE.	
	DECISION: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) That subject to any public objections, an application to obtain planning consent be made for residential development of land to the rear of 56 to 64 High Street, Melbourne. (2) That any objections be considered by the Chief Executive, in consultation with the Chairman of the Committee. (3) That following the grant of planning consent the site be disposed of by means of a public auction, in order to obtain the best consideration for the Council. (4) That should planning consent for residential development not be forthcoming, the site is sold at auction with its existing planning status. (5) That no restrictions preventing future development be imposed in order to generate the maximum receipt for the Council. 	
19.	<u>AGENDA ITEM</u> LAND AT REPTON.	
	DECISION: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) That the land in question at Main Street, Repton is sold by public auction. (2) That a covenant be placed on the land restricting its use in accordance with the current planning consent. (3) That a pre-emption clause is applied to the sale contract. (4) That an overage clause be applied as a condition of sale, equivalent to a sum of 50% of the increase in any future value. 	
20.	<u>AGENDA ITEM</u> LAND AT WOODVILLE.	
	DECISION: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) That the freehold interest in the land shown as Plots A, B, C and D on the plan included in the Signed Minute Book at Annexe SMB 3 be disposed of to Tapton Estates (or dedicated direct to the Highways Authority) for £27,000 to create a turning head, as part of the Woodville Woodlands Link Road. (2) That this land be dedicated to Derbyshire County Council as Highways Authority upon payment by Tapton Estates. (3) That compensation of £7,500 is paid to the current occupants of 1 Butt Lane, Woodville, to obtain vacant possession of Plot B. (4) That the Council takes a surrender of Plot C. (5) That Tapton Estates pays all costs and compensation associated with the disposal of the land, including any that arise from obtaining vacant possession of Plots B, C and D. (6) That freehold interest in the land shown as Plot E be disposed of for £6,000 to the adjacent landowner of 1 Butt Lane, as current occupier of the land. 	

21.	<p><u>AGENDA ITEM</u> RESTRUCTURE OF CORPORATE SERVICES DIRECTORATE.</p>	
	<p>DECISION: That the Committee approves the following proposals for the restructuring of the Corporate Services Directorate:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The deletion of the post of Head of Revenue Services to be replaced with a post of the Head of Customer Services. • The deletion of the posts of Benefit/Cash Office Manager and Revenue Collection Manager, to be replaced with a Revenues and Benefits Manager. • The deletion of the post of Revenue Support Officer to be replaced with a Debt Recovery Officer. • The deletion of the three Verification Officer posts and a Revenue Support Assistant. These posts, with relevant duties are to be transferred to Customer First and Corporate Support Services. • To approve the proposals outlined within the report, to appoint into the revised structure. • That guidance on organisational change be followed to implement these changes, including formal consultation with the employees and Trade Union representatives. • That the timescales and actions outlined in the report be followed for completion of the review. • The effective date for the implementation of these changes to be 1st April 2008. • That £2,500 per year be invested to purchase a corporate Health and Safety IT solution from the resultant savings. 	
22.	<p><u>AGENDA ITEM</u> STRENGTHENING DEMOCRATIC SERVICES – A REVIEW OF THE SECTION.</p>	
	<p>DECISION:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) That the post of Democratic Services Officer (LD06) be re-titled Principal Democratic Services Officer and the revised job description be assessed in line with the Council's Temporary Re-grading Procedure, pending the completion of the Council's Pay and Grading Review. (2) That the existing vacant post of Elections and Administrative Assistant (LD18) be deleted from the establishment and be replaced with the post of Electoral Services Assistant, to be assessed in line with the Council's Temporary Re-grading Procedure, pending the completion of the Council's Pay and Grading Review and advertised externally at the earliest opportunity, in line with the Council's Recruitment and Selection Procedure. (3) That the existing post of Elections and Democratic Services Officer (LD10) be re-titled Electoral Services Officer. 	

23.	<u>AGENDA ITEM</u> SENIOR MANAGEMENT RESTRUCTURE.	
	DECISION: To be advised.	

DATED: 19th October2007

Chief Executive

- ¹ Although it is not necessary to use a prescribed form, copies are available from the Chief Executive.
- ² NOTE – this gives an outline of the committee decision for call-in purposes but it does not necessarily reflect the final wording for minute purposes.
- ³ Insert both the agenda item number and its heading.