

RECORD OF OPEN DECISIONS

HOUSING AND COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE

At the Meeting of the Housing and Community Services Committee held on Thursday, 19th April 2012, 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. Friday, 27th April 2012.

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 Executive.

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> ASSOCIATION OF RETAINED COUNCIL HOUSING (ARC)	
	DECISION: (1) That the Council becomes a member of the Association of Retained Council Housing (ARCH) Limited. (2) That the Chairman of the Housing and Community Services Committee and the Head of Housing and Environmental Services become Directors of ARCH Ltd. (3) That in accordance with s.323(1) of the Companies Act 2006, the Council authorises the Chairman of the Housing and Community Services Committee and the Head of Housing and Environmental Services, or their substitutes, to be the Council's representatives at any Meeting of ARCH and execute voting rights on behalf of the Council. (4) That it be recommended to both Finance and Management Committee and Full Council for approval.	
8.	<u>AGENDA ITEM</u> CAPITAL INVESTMENT – EMPTY HOMES	
	DECISION: (1) That £100,000 capital funding be allocated to support the delivery of the new Empty Homes Strategy by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Providing a grant to first-time buyers for properties requiring work to remove assessed priority hazards and: • Supporting an empty homes grant scheme to homeowners/landlords to encourage the bringing back into use of homes vacant for more than 2 years. (2) That the first-time buyer funding is allocated on a “first-come” basis for a 12-month period. (3) That the Strategic Housing Manager be delegated discretion to target grants at homeowners of specific empty homes vacant for more than 2 years across the District as a way of	

	encouraging them to bring homes back into use.	
9.	AGENDA ITEM MEMBERSHIP OF EFFICIENCY EAST MIDLANDS LIMITED (PROCUREMENT CONSORTIUM)	
	DECISION: (1) That the Council becomes a Member of Efficiency East Midlands Limited (EEM Ltd). (2) That in accordance with s.323(1) Companies Act 2006, the Council authorises the Repairs and Improvements Manager or his substitute to be the Council's representative at any meeting of Efficiency East Midlands Limited, and execute voting rights on behalf of the Council. (3) That it be recommended to both Finance and Management Committee and Full Council for approval.	
10.	AGENDA ITEM DERBYSHIRE HEALTH AND WELLBEING STRATEGY CONSULTATION	
	DECISION: That the response from South Derbyshire District Council to the Derbyshire Health and Wellbeing Strategy consultation be approved.	
11.	AGENDA ITEM ARMED FORCES COMMUNITY COVENANT	
	DECISION: (1) That the Council pledges its support to the Armed Forces Community Covenant and will work with the Royal British Legion, Derbyshire Branch, to promote awareness of the Covenant throughout the District. (2) To work with the Royal British Legion to promote opportunities for applications to be made to the Armed Forces Community Covenant Grant Scheme. (3) That Paragraph 3.8 (Bullet Point 5), of the report be amended to read; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Further potential offers could be to let 'Help for Heroes', or any armed forces charity, use the Town Hall for a fundraising event once a year free of charge. 	
12.	AGENDA ITEM SPORTS FACILITY STRATEGY FRAMEWORK	
	DECISION: (1) That the proposed Facility Strategy Framework, which will be used to prepare a development strategy for the built sport and recreational infrastructure in the District, be approved. (2) That further development of the Green Bank Leisure Centre, Etwall Leisure Centre and Rosliston Forestry Centre projects, including applications to the Sport England Inspired Facilities fund be approved. (3) That progress with the Melbourne Sporting Partnership, Melbourne Leisure Centre, Gresley Old Hall and Eureka Park projects be noted. (4) That the declaration of Cockshut Lane (Melbourne) and Newhall Park, as Queen Elizabeth II Fields Challenge, be approved.	

13.	AGENDA ITEM WORK PROGRAMME	
	DECISION: That the updated work programme be approved.	

DATED: 20th April 2012
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.