# **DECISIONS BY CABINET 1st August 2011**

On consideration of the following reports, Cabinet on the 1<sup>st</sup> August 2011 agreed the following:

## TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDERS

The Executive received a report on the introduction of charges for (day) Visitor Permits and the introduction of an Annual Visitor Permit, with consideration of any additional conditions of use that may be required to prevent misuse. Cabinet also approved changes to the issue and conditions of use for Business Permits and that subject to the approval of the above changes, that the charge for a Second Residents Parking Permit is reduced from £60 to £30 per year.

### **SOUTHAMPTON BUS PARTNERSHIP**

- (i) To approve the Southampton Bus Partnership (Appendix 1)
- (ii) To appoint the Cabinet Member for Environment & Transport to represent the Council on the Southampton Quality Bus Partnership
- (iii) To delegate authority to the Director of Environment, following consultation with the Cabinet Member for Environment & Transport to agree elements of work pertaining to the SBP.
- (iv) To approve, in accordance with Financial Procedure Rules, the addition of £300,000 in 2012/13 to the Environment and Transport Portfolio Capital Programme for a Bus Partnership scheme funded from the confirmed LTP3 Integrated Transport allocation for that year.
- (v) To agree, in principle, to add similar schemes in 2013/14 and 2014/15, subject to confirmation of the LTP3 Integrated Transport allocations for those years and to future Council capital expenditure priorities.

# HOUSING REVENUE ACCOUNT (HRA) CAPITAL PROGRAMME PROJECT APPROVALS 2011/12 – PHASE 2

- (i) To approve a virement of £700,000 from the "Future Decent Neighbourhoods Schemes" budget in 2012/13 to the "Decent Neighbourhoods Scheme Harefield", phased £100,000 in 2011/12 and £600,000 in 2012/13.
- (ii) To approve a virement of £475,000 from the "Decent Homes Future Years" budget in 2012/13 to the budget for "Adaptations for Disabled People" in 2011/12.
- (iii) To approve, in accordance with Financial Procedure Rules, spending on the following schemes

	2011/12 £000's	2012/13 £000's
Decent Neighbourhoods	2000	2000
Harefield	100	600
Total Decent Neighbourhoods	100	600
Decent Homes		
Disabled Adaptations 11/12	475	
Total Decent Homes 475	475	
TOTAL	575	600

### **DISPOSAL OF HRA EMPTY PROPERTIES**

- (i) To approve a policy for the sale of up to 50 HRA dwellings per annum where:
  - The sale is in accordance with the General Housing Consents 2005; and
  - The council can keep 100% of the sale proceeds
- (ii) To delegate authority to the Environment Director to determine which dwellings should be disposed of having regard to the criteria set out in this report.

#### 2012 - 2013 GRANTS TO VOLUNTARY ORGANISATIONS

Having complied with paragraph 15 of the Council's Access to Information Procedure Rules:

- (i) To approve in principle that the 2012/13 grants to voluntary organisations budget will be £1,907,300
- (ii) To authorise the Interim Director of Environment to carry out consultation on the following proposals:
  - suspending the current grant application process for awarding grants from the corporate grants budget for 2012/13
  - renewing 2011/12 grants at current levels, excluding any paid notice, for a further year until 31st March 2013 subject to satisfactory monitoring
  - reviewing and potentially bringing forward the timing of the grant application process in future years
- (iii) To delegate authority to the Interim Director of Environment following consultation with the Cabinet Member for Housing to determine whether or not to proceed with the proposals set out in recommendation (ii) and, within approved budgets, to take any other decisions necessary or expedient to determine the award of all grants for the 2012/13 financial year.

# **DECISIONS BY CABINET 5<sup>th</sup> September 2011**

On consideration of the following reports, Cabinet on the 5<sup>th</sup> September 2011 agreed the following:

## FIRST QUARTER PERFORMANCE MONITORING FOR 2011/12

(i) Note that 77% of Council's Key Killer Performance Indicators and 89% of the Service Improvement Actions and Projects set out in the 2011/12 Council Plan are reported to be on target.

# FINANCIAL MONITORING FOR THE PERIOD TO THE END OF JUNE 2011

### **General Fund**

- (i) Note the current General Fund revenue budget monitoring position for the General Fund 2011/12 as at Month 3 (June), which is a forecast over spend at year end of £0.4M against the budget approved by Council on 16 February 2011.
- (ii) Note that the baseline forecast over spend for portfolios is £2.0M.
- (iii) Note that portfolios plan to take remedial action to manage a number of the corporate and key issues highlighted in this report and that the financial impact is reflected in the forecast position.
- (iv) Note that the Risk Fund includes £2.4M to cover service related risks, and that the estimated draw at Month 3 is £0.5M to cover expenditure which is included within the baseline forecast portfolio over spend of £2.0M.
- (v) Note that the Revenue Development Fund totals £1.4M. At this stage of the year it has been prudently assumed that the remainder of the Fund will be fully utilised.
- (vi) Note that £104,300 has been allocated from the contingency to fund the recommendations contained in the 2010/11 Grants to Voluntary Organisations report as approved by Cabinet on 21 June 2010.
- (vii) Note that £45,000 has been allocated from the contingency to reflect the fact that the savings proposal to increase the cost of Meals on Wheels has been reviewed and amended such that the planned increase in income will not be delivered in 2011/12.
- (viii) Note that it has been assumed that the remaining contingency of £100,700 will be fully utilised by the end of 2011/12 with this sum being allocated to fund the majority of the cost of introducing a market supplement of £1,400 per annum for a range of social workers within Children's Services & Learning on a temporary six month basis.
- (ix) Note the forecast level of balances which will fall below the minimum level of £4.5M in the medium term if further remedial action is not taken in year to

- reduce the forecast over spend from the current level of £0.4M to at least a break even position.
- (x) Note the performance to date with regard to the delivery of the agreed savings proposals approved for 2011/12 as detailed in Appendix 9.
- (xi) Note the performance against the financial health indicators detailed in Appendix 10.
- (xii) Note the performance outlined in the Quarterly Treasury Management Report attached as Appendix 11.

# **Housing Revenue Account**

(xiii) Note the current HRA budget monitoring position for 2011/12 as at Month 3 (June), which is a forecast over spend at year end of £34,800 against the budget approved by Council on 16 February 2011.

# MEETING THE CARE QUALITY COMMISSIONS STANDARDS IN COUNCIL CARE HOMES

(i) Subject to the addition by Council of the sum detailed in Appendix 1 for improvements to the fabric and furnishings of the Council owned residential homes, to approve capital expenditure, in accordance with the Financial Procedure Rules as described in this report.

### DISPOSAL OF LAND AT 512 PORTSMOUTH ROAD SHOLING SOUTHAMPTON

- (i) To approve the principle of the sale of the Council's freehold interest.
- (ii) To delegate authority to Head of Property and Procurement following consultation with the Executive Director for Corporate Services and the Cabinet Member for Resources, Leisure and Culture to approve the preferred bidder, agree terms of the sale and carry out all ancillary matters to enable disposal of the site.

### **CITY PLAN**

(i) To endorse the draft City Plan 2011 – 2014 prepared by Southampton Connect and to recommend its approval to Council on 14th September 2011.

# TO ADOPT THE SOUTHAMPTON JOINT STRATEGIC NEEDS ASSESSMENT 2011-14

- (i) That the Cabinet Member agrees the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment (JSNA) 2011-14;
- (ii) That authority be delegated to the Executive Director of Health and Adult Social Care and the Director of Public Health to update the JSNA as new data

and information becomes available