

**COPELAND BOROUGH COUNCIL**

**STATEMENTS OF EXECUTIVE DECISIONS**

**MEETING HELD ON 27 MAY 2008**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Councillors Ms E Woodburn A Holliday, H Branney; G Clements; C Giel; T Knowles; N Williams

**APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:** Councillors G Blackwell; C Giel

**OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE:** T Chilcott, Corporate Director Quality of Life; H Mitchell, Head of Policy and Performance; M Jepson, Head of Legal and Democratic Services; J Salt, Head of Customer Services; T Capper, Democratic Services Manager; P Deacon, Interim Housing Manager; P Robson, Acting Deputy S 151 Officer

**START TIME: 10.30 am**

**CLOSE TIME: 11.25 am**

**CERTIFICATION:** \_\_\_\_\_

Certified a true record of decisions taken at the meeting of the Executive of Copeland Borough Council dated 27 May 2008.

## Copeland Borough Council

### Statement of Executive Decision

Agenda Item: 1	
Subject: Statements of Decision made on 8 May	
Date of Decision: 27 May 2008	Decision made by:
Decision Reference: EXE/08/001	Full Executive

Portfolio Holder: N/A

Context:  
To consider the accuracy of the Statement of decision made on 8 April 2008

Key Decision Status:  
N/A

Decision  
That the Statements of Decision made on 8 April 2008 be signed as a correct record.

Explanation  
N/A

Alternative Options Considered:  
None

Interests Declared: None

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**Copeland Borough Council**  
**Statement of Executive Decision**

Agenda Item: 3	
Subject: Arrangement of the Agenda	
Date of Decision: 27 May 2008	Decision made by:
Decision Reference: EXE/08/002	Full Executive

Portfolio Holder: N/A

Context:

To consider the order in which the items on the Agenda are taken and any additional items for consideration.

Key Decision Status:

N/A

Decision

**That additional items on South Whitehaven Neighbourhood Management and the Home HA/Copeland Homes Investment Programme be included in the business of the meeting.**

Explanation

N/A

Alternative Options Considered:

N/A

Interests Declared: None

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## Copeland Borough Council

### Statement of Executive Decision

Agenda Item: 5	
Subject: Forward Plan May – August 2008	
Date of Decision: 8 April 2008	Decision made by:
Decision Reference: EXE/08/003	Full Executive

Portfolio Holder: N/A

Context:  
To consider the forward plan of Executive Decisions

Key Decision Status:  
No

Decision  
**That the amended forward plan of Key decisions May – August 2008 be noted**

Explanation  
N/A

Alternative Options Considered:  
None

Interests Declared: None

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## Copeland Borough Council

### Statement of Executive Decision

Agenda Item: 6	
Subject: Joint Scrutiny – The Way Forward	
Date of Decision: 27 May 2008	Decision made by:
Decision Reference: EXE/08/004	Full Executive

Portfolio Holder:

Context:

To consider proposals from the County Joint Overview Group for establishment of a new joint committee on scrutiny from the county and district councils in Cumbria together with support posts jointly funded.

Key Decision Status:

No

Decision

**That Council be recommended that the proposals for the new committee and the funding arrangements set out in the report be approved in principle.**

Explanation

The proposals for the new Joint Committee would enable a particular focus on scrutiny of the targets in the Cumbria Local Area Agreement, where there was a current weakness across all the Cumbrian local authorities, and which would not be possible in depth within existing resources. It was also proposed to appoint dedicated support staff for the new committee to be funded jointly by the county and districts on the basis of the CLASB partnership funding protocol of 50% funding from the county council and the remainder from the districts on a population based apportionment. The Council's contribution would be £4,580 for a full year (2009/10 onwards) but any costs arising in the remainder of 2008/09 would be met from existing budgets.

Alternative Options Considered:

To conduct LAA scrutiny on an ad hoc basis in individual local authorities.

Interests Declared: None

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Contact Officers:  
Tim Capper

## Copeland Borough Council

### Statement of Executive Decision

Agenda Item: 7	
Subject: Designation of Public Places - Millom	
Date of Decision: 27 May 2008	Decision made by:
Decision Reference: EXE/08/005	Full Executive

Portfolio Holder: Councillor G Clements

Context:

To seek Executive agreement to make a further Designated Public Places Order for parts of Millom Town Centre

Key Decision Status:

No

Decision

**That formal consultation takes place over whether to make the parts of Millom shown on the plan attached to the report a Designated Public Place.**

Explanation

Designated Public Place Orders give powers to police officers to require persons to stop drinking alcohol in a public place and/or confiscate alcohol from them. Failure to comply with police officers in this respect constitutes a criminal offence. The proposals before the Executive are the latest in a series of designations affecting various locations in the Borough which have been made at the request of the Police.

The report also addressed concerns previously expressed by Members that the making of orders may have the effect of displacing problems elsewhere.

Alternative Options Considered:

None

Interests Declared: None

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Contact Officers:  
M Jepson



## Copeland Borough Council

### Statement of Executive Decision

Agenda Item: 8	
Subject: Service Level Agreement – Copeland CAB & Community Law Centre	
Date of Decision: 8 April 2008	Decision made by:
Decision Reference: EXE/08/006	Full Executive

Portfolio Holder: Councillor G Clements

Context:

Notifies the Executive of the content of the Audit Commission Report into the Housing Service and the proposed Action Plan to address the issues highlighted.

Key Decision Status:

No

Decision

**That (a) the Executive notes the Audit Commission findings; and (b) the Executive agrees the Action Plan prepared to address the issues raised and the Strategic Housing Panel be asked to monitor implementation of the Action Plan, and report progress to the Executive.**

Explanation

This report formally notifies the Executive of the content of the Audit Commission report following the inspection of the Council's housing service. The report summarised the issues highlighted in the Audit Commission report and proposed an Action Plan to implement enhancements to the service. It was likely that there would be a formal re-inspection in autumn 2009.

Alternative Options Considered:

None

Interests Declared: None

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## Copeland Borough Council

### Statement of Executive Decision

Agenda Item: 9	
Subject: Draft Revenue and Capital Outturn	
Date of Decision: 27 May 2008	Decision made by:
Decision Reference: EXE/08/007	Full Executive

Portfolio Holder: Councillor E Woodburn

Context:  
Informs the Executive of draft unaudited provisional outturns for 2007/2008

Key Decision Status:  
  
No

Decision  
  
**That this item be withdrawn from the agenda**

Explanation

Alternative Options Considered:  
  
None

Interests: None

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## Copeland Borough Council

### Statement of Executive Decision

Agenda Item: 10	
Subject: End of Year Performance Monitoring	
Date of Decision: 27 May 2008	Decision made by: Full Executive
Decision Reference: EXE/08/008	

Portfolio Holder: Councillor E Woodburn

Context:  
Considers update on the Council's performance on delivering Corporate Plan objectives for 2007/2008

Key Decision Status:  
No

Decision  
**That (a) the report and progress made be noted; and**  
**(b) future reports should comprise an analysis of performance trends rather than detail of progress on all Corporate plan objectives.**

Explanation  
The report considered consisted of progress summaries for all Corporate Plan objectives as shown in Covalent, which has also been considered by the Corporate Improvement Board. To avoid possible duplication the Executive asked for future quarterly and annual performance reports to show summary trends rather than performance on all objectives.

Alternative Options Considered:  
None

Interests Declared: None

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## Copeland Borough Council

### Statement of Executive Decision

Agenda Item: 11	
Subject: South Whitehaven Neighbourhood Management	
Date of Decision: 27 May 2008	Decision made by:
Decision Reference: EXE/08/009	Full Executive

Portfolio Holder: Councillor A Holliday

Context:  
Considers the South Whitehaven Delivery plan for 2008/2009 and 2009/2010

Key Decision Status:  
No

Decision  
**That the South Whitehaven Delivery Plan at a cost of £459,136 for 2008/2009 and £258,000 for 2009/2010 be approved to be funded from the Working Neighbourhood Reserve.**

Explanation  
The Neighbourhood Management Programme provides a neighbourhood focus in the South Whitehaven area including the communities of Greenbank, woodhouse, Kells, Mirehouse and Hensingham. Funding for the programme is sourced from the Council's Working Neighbourhood Reserve allocation. The Programme sets out progress on activities to date and plans for initiatives planned for funding in 2008/2009 and 2009/2010.

Alternative Options Considered:  
N/A

Interests Declared: None

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## Copeland Borough Council

### Statement of Executive Decision

Agenda Item: 12	
Subject: Exclusion of Press and Public	
Date of Decision: 27 May 2008	Decision made by: Full Executive
Decision Reference: EXE/08/010	

Portfolio Holder: N/A

Context:

Key Decision Status:  
  
No

Decision

**That the press and public be excluded for the following items of business on the grounds of likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in the Local Government Act 1972 as amended.**

Explanation

Alternative Options Considered:  
  
N/A

Interests Declared: None

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## Copeland Borough Council

### Statement of Executive Decision

Agenda Item: 13	
Subject: Home HA/Copeland Homes Investment Programme	
Date of Decision: 27 May 2008	Decision made by:
Decision Reference: EXE/08/011	Full Executive

Portfolio Holder: Councillor G Clements

Context: To seek approval of the proposed Home HA/Copeland Homes Investment Programme

Key Decision Status:  
  
No

Decision

**That (a) Executive notes the proposals; and**

**(b) the Executive's initial response to the proposals be as set out in para 4.1 of the report, subject to an additional requirement for Ward Members to be involved in consultation on proposals affecting their Wards.**

Explanation

The investment proposals for the next 5 years set out include properties transferred to Copeland homes under the stock transfer and other Home stock. The report sets out the consultation arrangements proposed and the financial implications. There would be no call on the Council's capital programme resources at the present time.

The main consultative forum between the Council and Copeland Homes on the proposals would be the Strategic Housing Panel though Members stressed the need for consultation with relevant ward members on proposals for their areas also.

Alternative Options Considered:  
  
N/A

Interests Declared: None

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