

COPELAND BOROUGH COUNCIL

STATEMENTS OF EXECUTIVE DECISIONS

MEETING HELD ON 26 SEPTEMBER 2006

MEMBERS PRESENT: Councillors Ms E Woodburn; M Ashbrook; G Blackwell, N Williams

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors G Clements; C Geil; H Wormstrup

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE: L Murphy, Chief Executive; S Borwick Head of Finance and Business Development; M Jepson, Head of Legal and Democratic Services; H Mitchell, Head of Policy and Performance; T Chilcott,, Corporate Director Quality of Life; F McMorrow Corporate Director- Economic Prosperity and Sustainability; K Parker, Head of Leisure and Environment.; I Curwen, Communications Officer; D James, Member Services Officer

M Tichford, Head of Regeneration Agenda Items 7-12; M Sharrock & L Gleed Agenda Items 1-6

START TIME: 10.30AM CLOSE TIME: 12.30PM

CERTIFICATION: _____

Copeland Borough Council

Statement of Executive Decision

Agenda Item: 1	
Subject: Statement of Decision	
Date of Decision: 26 September 2006	Decision made by:
Decision Reference: EXE/06/0091	Full Executive

Portfolio Holder: Councillor M Ashbrook

Context:
Decisions made at the previous meeting requiring formal approval

Key Decision Status:
No

Decision
That the Statements of decisions made at the meeting held on 5 September 2006 be agreed as a correct record

Explanation
N/A

Alternative Options Considered:
None

Interests Declared: None

Implementation Date: N/A	Publication Date: 29 September 2006	Recorded by: D James
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Copeland Borough Council

Statement of Executive Decision

Agenda Item: 5	
Subject: Forward Plan	
Date of Decision:	Decision made by:
Decision Reference: EXE/06/0092	Full Executive

Portfolio Holder: Councillor M Ashbrook

Context:
To consider the forward plan of key decisions for September 2006 - January 2007

Key Decision Status:
No

Decision
That the Forward Plan of Key Decisions be noted

Explanation
N/A

Alternative Options Considered:
None

Interests Declared: None

Implementation Date:	Publication Date:	Recorded by: D James
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Copeland Borough Council

Statement of Executive Decision

Agenda Item: 6	
Subject: Section 1 Health and Safety Policy & Operating Procedures	
Date of Decision:	Decision made by:
Decision Reference: EXE/06/0093	Full Executive

Portfolio Holder: Councillor N Williams

Context:

To consider the draft revised Health & Safety Policy & Operating Procedures.

Key Decision Status:

No

Decision

That subject to 2.1 in the organisation and responsibilities being amended to

“Will co-ordinate and monitor Health and Safety matters with the aid of a Chief Officer, who will be nominated to Champion Health & Safety within the council.”

the document attached be approved.

Explanation

The Councils Safety Policy document held on the intranet has become outdated and has therefore been reviewed taking into account changes in staff i.e. health and safety officer and chief executive, both of which have a key roles in this document. It also includes the fact that we now have safety representatives, which also needed to be included in the policy

Alternative Options Considered:

None

Interests Declared: None

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Statement of Executive Decision

Agenda Item: 7	
Subject: Procurement Initiative	
Date of Decision: 29 September 2006	Decision made by:
Decision Reference: EXE/06/0094	Full Executive

Portfolio Holder: Councillor G Clements

Context:
This report presents Members with a proposal for improving and consolidating procurement within the Council as part of a Cumbria wide initiative

Key Decision Status:

No

Decision

That Executive:

- a) the proposal to join the IDeA Market Place be approved in principle;**
- b) the funding proposals identified at heading 4, on the basis that overall savings will accrue over the three year period and beyond be approved in principle.**
- c) a further report be submitted prior to finalisation of the initiative.**

Explanation

Copeland is a member of the Cumbria Procurement Initiative, a consortium of local authorities linked to the North West Centre of Excellence, Procurement Workstream, and which comprises of the District Councils and Cumbria County Council: The group is focussed on identifying practical ways in which improvements and efficiencies to procurement processes can be introduced within the member councils, independently or on a co-ordinated basis

Alternative Options Considered:

None

Interests Declared: None

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Statement of Executive Decision

Agenda Item: 8	
Subject: Restriction of Alcohol Consumption	
Date of Decision: 26 September 2006	Decision made by:
Decision Reference: EXE/06/0095	Full Executive

Portfolio Holder: Councillor G Clements

<p>Context:</p> <p>Recommends consultation on making Hensingham Open Space a "Designated Public Place.</p> <p>During consideration of this item Members asked various monitoring questions and that these be address as part of the decision by way of a further report.</p>
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<p>Key Decision Status:</p> <p>No</p>

<p>Decision</p> <p>That a) the necessary consultation on Making Hensingham Open Space a "Designated Public Place" takes place ; and</p> <p>b) further report be submitted following full consultation of the above giving</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. evidence of how other designated areas are working; and 2. how the designation of public places fits in with the Crime and Disorder Partnership.
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Explanation

Cumbria Police, Hensingham Open Space Friends Group and the Council's own Parks Section have requested that Hensingham Open Space (the area of open land between Rosebank and Richmond Hill Road) becomes a "Designated Public Place"

Cumbria Police have confirmed that a number of incidents have occurred in the area and that evidence of persons using alcohol in the area can usually be found on a daily basis.

The Council's Park Section also support and confirm the views of Cumbria Police and Hensingham Open Space Friends Group

Alternative Options Considered:

None

Interests Declared: None

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6 October 2006

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29 September 2006

Recorded by:
D James

Call-in Period Expires on
6 October 2006

Contact Officers:
M Jepson

Copeland Borough Council

Statement of Executive Decision

Agenda Item: 9	
Subject: Developing a Parish Charter for Copeland	
Date of Decision: 26 September 2006	Decision made by:
Decision Reference: EXE/06/0096	Full Executive

Portfolio Holder: Councillor N Williams

Context:

This report outlines work that has been done to develop a Parish Charter for the Copeland Area in partnership with the County Council and the Parish & Town Councils and seeks member's endorsement of a Draft Charter and wider consultation.

Key Decision Status:

No

Decision

That a) the work undertaken to develop a Parish Charter for Copeland be noted; and

b) the draft Parish Charter for consultation with Parish Councils in Copeland be endorsed

Explanation

The Government launched it's Quality Parish Status (QPS) Scheme in April 2003. Under this scheme Town & Parish Councils that satisfy certain specific standards can apply for QPS accreditation. Council which attain this status are to be given greater opportunities to take responsibility for some local government services and to have greater influence over the way services and projects are delivered in their area by other authorities

Alternative Options Considered:

None

Interests Declared: Councillor Ms E Woodburn declared a personal interest in this item due to being a Member of Egremont Town Council.

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Contact Officers: T Chilcott

Copeland Borough Council

Statement of Executive Decision

Agenda Item: 10	
Subject: Local Area Agreement	
Date of Decision: 26 September 2006	Decision made by:
Decision Reference: EXE/06/0097	Full Executive

Portfolio Holder: Councillor Ms E Woodburn

Context:

This report seeks agreement of the Executive to the development of the Local Area Agreement for Cumbria, in particular the emerging outcomes framework.

Key Decision Status:

No

Decision

That

- 1) the draft outcomes framework proposed through the work of the Cumbria Strategic Partnership and Cumbria County Council be approved in principle; and**
- 2) comments made by the Executive be referred to Cumbria County Council to assist with refining the draft outcomes framework.**

Explanation

A local area agreement is a three year agreement, based on local sustainable communities strategies, that sets out the priorities for a local area agreed between Central Government, represented by Government Office, and a local area, represented by the lead local authority (here Cumbria County Council) and other key partners through local strategic partnerships (here Cumbria Strategic Partnership).

Alternative Options Considered:

None

Interests Declared: None

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Contact Officers: H Mitchell

Copeland Borough Council

Statement of Executive Decision

Agenda Item: 11	
Subject: Code of Conduct	
Date of Decision: 26 September 2006	Decision made by:
Decision Reference: EXE/06/0098	Full Executive

Portfolio Holder: N/A

Context:
To receive training on the Code of Conduct.

Key Decision Status:
No

Decision
That the training be received and noted

Explanation
In accordance with Member Training Programme.

Alternative Options Considered:
N/A

Interests Declared: None

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Copeland Borough Council

Statement of Executive Decision

Agenda Item: 12 – Item taken on Grounds of Urgency	
Subject: Urgent Action	
Date of Decision: 26 September 2006	Decision made by: Full Executive
Decision Reference: EXE/06/0099	

Portfolio Holder: Councillor A Holliday

Context:

To note action taken on grounds of urgency.

Key Decision Status:

No

Decision

That action taken by the Head of Leisure and Environmental Service in consultation with the Portfolio Holder in putting into place arrangement to collect recyclable materials from households following the cessation of Doorstep Collection Ltd's services in the borough.

Explanation
Following the cessation of Doorstep Collection Ltd's services in the borough the Council had to consider if and how it would continue the service until the normal end of the contract.

Alternative Options Considered:
N/A

Interests Declared: None

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