COPELAND BOROUGH COUNCIL

STATEMENTS OF EXECUTIVE DECISIONS

HELD ON 30 JULY 2013

MEMBERS PRESENT: Councillors Allan Holliday, In the Chair; Hugh Branney; George Clements; Peter Kane; Gillian Troughton

Councillor Elaine Woodburn and Paul Walker Agenda Items 11 and 1 - 9

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE: Darienne Law, Head of Corporate Resources; Penny Mell, Head of Policy and Transformation; Julie Betteridge, Head of Regeneration and Community; Keith Parker, Head of Neighbourhoods; Tim Capper Democratic Services Manager; Denise James, Member Services Officer

START TIME: 2.00pm CLOSE TIME: 2.30 PM

CERTIFICATION:

Certified a true record of decisions taken at the meeting of the 30 July 2013

Statement of Executive Decision

Agenda Item: 1	
Subject: Statements of Decision	
Date of Decision: 30 July 2013	Decision made by:
Decision Reference: EXE/13/0017	Full Executive

Portfolio Holder: N/A

Context: To consider the statement of Executive decision made on 28 May 2013

Key Decision Status: No

Decision: That the Statement of Executive Decisions 28 May 2013 be signed as a correct record.

Explanation - N/A

Alternative Options Considered: None

Implementation Date:	Publication Date:	Recorded by:
9 August 2013	2 August 2013	Denise James

Call-in Period Expires on:	Contact Officers:
9 August 2013	Tim Capper

Statement of Executive Decision

Agenda Item: 3	
Subject: Declarations of Interest	
Date of Decision: 30 July 2013	Decision made by:
Decision Reference: EXE/13/0018	Full Executive

Portfolio Holder: N/A

Context: To note declarations of Disclosable and Non-Disclosable Pecuniary Interests

Key Decision Status: No

Decision: There were no declarations of interests made.

Explanation: N/A

Alternative Options Considered: None

Implementation Date:	Publication Date:	Recorded by:
9 August 2013	2 August 2013	Denise James

Call-in Period Expires on:	Contact Officers:
9 August 2013	Tim Capper

Statement of Executive Decision

Agenda Item: 4	
Subject: Arrangement of the Agenda	
Date of Decision: 30 July 2013	Decision made by:
Decision Reference: EXE/13/0019	Full Executive

Portfolio Holder: N/A

Context: To consider the order in which the Agenda is considered along with any additional or withdrawn reports.

Key Decision Status: No

Decision: That due to the Leader of the Council and Chief Executive having to leave to attend another meeting Agenda Item 11 Impact of Welfare Reform in Copeland be considered first.

Explanation: N/A

Alternative Options Considered: None

Implementation Date:	Publication Date:	Recorded by:
9 August 2013	2 August 2013	Denise James

Call-in Period Expires on:	Contact Officers:
9 August 2013	Tim Capper

Statement of Executive Decision

Agenda Item: 6	
Subject: Forward Plan	
Date of Decision: 30 July 2013	Decision made by:
Decision Reference: EXE/13/0020	Full Executive

Portfolio Holder: N/A

Context: To consider the Forward Plan of Key decisions July – August 2013

Key Decision Status: N/A

Decision: That the Forward Plan of Key decisions July – August 2013 be noted.

Explanation: N/A

Alternative Options Considered: None

Implementation Date:	Publication Date:	Recorded by:
9 August 2013	2 August 2013	Denise James

Call-in Period Expires on:	Contact Officers:
9 August 2013	Tim Capper

Statement of Executive Decision

Agenda Item: 7		
Subject: Petition – Park Homes Lakeview Residents Association		
Date of Decision: 30 July 2013	Decision made by:	
Decision Reference: EXE/13/0021	Full Executive	

Portfolio Holder: Councillor George Clements

Context: To receive and consider a Petition seeking Councils support in highlighting new legislation which relates to "sale blocking" by unscrupulous park home owners.

Key Decision Status: No

Decision: That a) the points raised in the petition regarding the introduction of new legislation to protect the interests of the residents of park homes be noted; and b) the approaches taken to publicise the legislation with those residents be endorsed.

Explanation: This new legislation affords protection to residents of the Borough who live in park homes, particularly in protecting their investment in property and from less scrupulous park home site owners. This petition is received in accordance with with the Councils Constitution Rule 19.1

Alternative Options Considered: None

Implementation Date:	Publication Date:	Recorded by:
9 August 2013	2 August 2013	Denise James

Call-in Period Expires on:	Contact Officers:
9 August 2013	John Groves

Statement of Executive Decision

Agenda Item: 8		
Subject: Petition – Grass Maintenance Buckle Avenue Cleator Moor		
Date of Decision: 30 July 2013	Decision made by:	
Decision Reference: EXE/13/0022	Full Executive	

Portfolio Holder: Councillor Peter Kane

Context: To receive a petition asking the Council to maintain grass surrounding area of park on Buckle Avenue, Cleator Moor.

Key Decision Status: No

Decision: That a) the points raised in the on-line petition submitted regarding the standard of grass maintenance at Buckle Avenue, Cleator Moor be noted; and b) it be confirmed that no change to the Council's policy in relation to grounds maintenance of such area.

Explanation: This petition is received in accordance with the Councils Constitution Rule 19.1

Alternative Options Considered: None

Implementation Date:	Publication Date:	Recorded by:
9 August 2013	2 August 2013	Denise James

Call-in Period Expires on:	Contact Officers:
9 August 2013	Keith Parker

Statement of Executive Decision

Agenda Item: 9	
Subject: Risk Management Strategy	
Date of Decision: 30 July 2013	Decision made by:
Decision Reference: EXE/13/0023	Full Executive

Portfolio Holder: Councillor Gillian Troughton

Context: To update Members with the details of the revised Risk Management Strategy.

Key Decision Status: No

Decision

That a) the Risk Management Strategy be noted and agreed;

b) the Risk Management Strategy and associated Strategic Risk Register be presented to Council for information and to raise awareness of the Council's agreed approach to strategic risk management; and

c) all Members be invited to a member Briefing session regarding Risk Management Strategy and Strategic Risk Register

Explanation

Risk management will strengthen the ability of the Council to achieve its corporate objectives and enhance the value of service provided.

Alternative Options Considered: None

Interests Declared:
None

Implementation Date:	Publication Date:	Recorded by:
9 August 2013	2 August 2013	Denise James

Call-in Period Expires on:	Contact Officers:
9 August 2013	Penny Mell

Statement of Executive Decision

Agenda Item: 10		
Subject: West Cumbria Destination Management Project Extension		
Date of Decision: 30 July 2013	Decision made by:	
Decision Reference: EXE/13/0024	Full Executive	

Portfolio Holder: Councillor Hugh Branney

Context: The Council has been the accountable body since 1 April 2011 for the West Cumbria Destination Management Project receiving a mix of funding including £347,300 grant from Britain's Energy Coast to raise the quality and awareness of the tourism offer in West Cumbria. A further 6 month extension to this project to 31 March, 2014, is proposed which requires Executive agreement to continue to perform the accountable body function for this additional 6 month period

Key Decision Status: No

Decision: That a) the additional Britain's Energy Coast grant of £35,000 under a change control to our existing grant offer of £347,300 and continues to take the lead role in delivering the Destination Management Plan until 31 March 2014 be accepted; and

b) a further six month extension to the current agreement with Cumbria Tourism (a registered company) be arranged to deliver the project on behalf of the Council.

Explanation: Tourism is one of the economic diversification sectors being supported through Britain's Energy Coast and the Economic Blueprint. Copeland's visitor economy employs over 6,000 people and the West Cumbria Destination Management project works with businesses, the councils, Cumbria Tourism, residents and local groups to bring activity, improvements, jobs and wellbeing for the benefit of Copeland residents. Partnership activity has the potential to increase spend and jobs in our local economy and bring new cultural opportunities benefitting local visitors

Alternative Options Considered: None

Implementation Date:	Publication Date:	Recorded by:
9 August 2013	2 August 2013	Denise James

Call-in Period Expires on:	Contact Officers:
9 August 2013	Julie Betteridge

Statement of Executive Decision

Agenda Item: 11		
Subject: Impact of Welfare Reform in Copeland		
Date of Decision: 30 July 2013	Decision made by:	
Decision Reference: EXE/13/0025	Full Executive	

Portfolio Holder: N/A

Context: Changes in the system of welfare benefits are taking place. This report provides some initial insight into these changes and proposes that the impact of such changes are monitored so that public services can, where possible and appropriate, respond.

Key Decision Status: No

Decision: That a) the report be noted; and b) periodic reports be submitted in order to continue to monitor the impact of welfare reform in Copeland.

Explanation: Significant changes are taking place in welfare benefits and these changes are affecting some residents within Copeland. This report provides some initial insight into these changes and how public services are responding in Copeland.

Alternative Options Considered: None

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9 August 2013	Penny Mell