

COPELAND BOROUGH COUNCIL

STATEMENTS OF EXECUTIVE DECISIONS

MEETING HELD ON 17 JUNE 2008

MEMBERS PRESENT: Councillors Ms E Woodburn; G Blackwell; H Branney; G Clements; A Holliday

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: Councillors C Giel; T Knowles & N Williams

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE: L Murphy, Chief Executive; F McMorrow, Corporate Director, G Ayling, Interim, Head of Finance and Business Development; M Jepson, Head of Legal and Democratic Services; J Salt, Head of Customer Services; K Parker, Head of Leisure and Environmental Services; D James, Member Services Officer

START TIME: 2.00 pm

CLOSE TIME: 2.45 pm

CERTIFICATION: _____

Certified a true record of decisions taken at the meeting of the Executive of Copeland Borough Council dated 17 June 2008.

Copeland Borough Council

Statement of Executive Decision

Agenda Item: 1	
Subject: Statements of Decision made on 27 May 2008	
Date of Decision: 17 June 2008	Decision made by: Full Executive
Decision Reference: EXE/08/0012	

Portfolio Holder: N/A

Context: To consider the accuracy of the Statement of decision made on 27 May 2008

Key Decision Status: N/A

Decision That the Statements of Decision made on 27 May 2008 be signed as a correct record.
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Explanation N/A

Alternative Options Considered: None

Interests Declared: None

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Statement of Executive Decision

Agenda Item: 3	
Subject: Arrangement of the Agenda	
Date of Decision: 27 May 2008	Decision made by: Full Executive
Decision Reference: EXE/08/0013	

Portfolio Holder: N/A

Context: To consider the order in which the items on the Agenda are taken and any additional items for consideration.
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Key Decision Status: N/A

Decision That Agenda Item 11 – Proposals for the Commitment of Working Neighbourhood Fund 2008 – 2011 be withdrawn from the Agenda
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Explanation N/A

Alternative Options Considered: N/A
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Interests Declared: None

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Statement of Executive Decision

Agenda Item: 5	
Subject: Forward Plan June – September 2008	
Date of Decision: 17 June 2008	Decision made by: Full Executive
Decision Reference: EXE/08/0014	

Portfolio Holder: N/A

Context: To consider the forward plan of Executive Decisions.
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Key Decision Status: No

Decision That the amended forward plan of Key Decisions June – September 2008 be noted.

Explanation N/A

Alternative Options Considered: None

Interests Declared: None

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Statement of Executive Decision

Agenda Item: 6	
Subject: Saltom Pit	
Date of Decision: 17 June 2008	Decision made by:
Decision Reference: EXE/08/0015	Full Executive

Portfolio Holder: Councillor C Giel

Context:

This report seeks Members' views on a range of options and proposals for the future of Saltom Pit.

Key Decision Status:

No

Decision

That a) subject to the receipt of and the acceptable conditions of the grants

- i) That Members consider agreement to Option 3 (paragraph 3.3 of the report), should satisfactory capital funding be provided, to proceed with works to preserve the Pit remains and develop into a visitor attraction. Should members not agree to Option 3 or satisfactory funding not be available then Option 1 (paragraph 3.1 of the report) to apply.**
- ii) That should Members agree to recommendation A, that the sum of £4,500 is set aside annually from 2009/10 for maintenance for a period of 10 years or as required (funding to be provided through the Public Building Fund Revenue budget); and**
- iii) That, should Members agree to recommendations A and B, Members agree to suspension of Contract Standing Orders to enable the appointment of the supervising consultant and works contractor to progress the project within the timescales indicated below; be agreed in principle**
- b) the designation of the land to "open access land" be investigated; and**
- c) a further report be submitted to the next meeting addressing all outstanding issues.**

Explanation

This report considers options for the future of the Saltom Pit as a visitor attraction and way to maximise safety.

Alternative Options Considered:

None

Interests Declared: None

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D James

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Contact Officers:
S Smith

Copeland Borough Council

Statement of Executive Decision

Agenda Item: 7	
Subject: St Nicholas Gardens Lease Expiry	
Date of Decision: 17 June 2008	Decision made by: Full Executive
Decision Reference: EXE/08/0016	

Portfolio Holder: K Parker

Context: This report informs Executive that the current lease arrangement for St Nicholas Gardens expires on the 18 November 2008.

Key Decision Status: No

Decision That a) the report be noted; and b) option 3 - to Renew the lease for a shorter period of 5 years – an interim measure to provide the Council greater flexibility be approved.
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Explanation The lease for St Nicholas Gardens is due for renewal this report considers the options.
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Alternative Options Considered: None

Interests Declared: None

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Statement of Executive Decision

Agenda Item: 8	
Subject: 5 Year Corporate Plan	
Date of Decision: 17 June 2008	Decision made by:
Decision Reference: EXE/08/0017	Full Executive

Portfolio Holder: Councillor E Woodburn

Context:
This report seeks agreement to the updated five year Corporate Plan

Key Decision Status:
No

Decision
That Council be recommended to approve the five year Corporate Plan

Explanation
The Council adopted a five year Corporate Plan in April 2007 which set out within three main themes eighteen objectives with targets comprising the Council's overall vision, direction and aims. This plan was the basis of service plans in 2007/8 and 2008/9, and it has been monitored and reported to Executive regularly through the CoValent performance management system

Alternative Options Considered:
None

Interests Declared:

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Statement of Executive Decision

Agenda Item: 9	
Subject: Provisional 2997/08 Revenue and Capital Outturn	
Date of Decision: 17 June 2008	Decision made by: Full Executive
Decision Reference: EXE/08/0019	

Portfolio Holder: Councillor E Woodburn

Context:

This report advises members of the provisional Revenue and Capital Budget outturn positions for the financial year 2007/08 and of the optimal level of reserves to be held over the period 2008/09 to 2010/11.

Key Decision Status:

No

Decision

That a) the carry forward of the capital budget under spend of £2.684m, conditional upon a satisfactory outcome of the statutory audit, to help deliver the Corporate Plan over the next three years be approved; and

b) details of the proposed projects for the Revenue carry forwards of £399k be subject of a further report to the next meeting.

Explanation

In accordance with financial regulation and Council procedures.

Alternative Options Considered:

That the carry forward of the revenue and capital budget under spends of £399k and £2.684m respectively, conditional upon a satisfactory outcome of the statutory audit, to help deliver the Corporate Plan over the next three years be approved.

Interests Declared: None

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Statement of Executive Decision

Agenda Item: 10	
Subject: Searching for Best Value	
Date of Decision: 17 June 2008	Decision made by: Full Executive
Decision Reference: EXE/08/0020	

Portfolio Holder: Councillor E Woodburn

Context:
To consider proposals for the development of and improvement and efficiency policy.

Key Decision Status:
No

Decision
That the development of an improvement and efficiency policy for the purposes of addressing the Council's further need to find Best Value in public service and public service delivery be approved for submission and approval by Council.

Explanation
<p>The Council's record in efficiency savings over the last number of years has been consistent and exceeded expectations. (See 'Annual Efficiency Statement' elsewhere on this agenda.) In addition to Gershon savings, however, there are now a number of other requirements in place that are going to drive the Council's efficiency agenda further and harder.</p> <p>This report explains what these requirements are and how the Council may seek to address them and realise the improvements that will go with them</p>

Alternative Options Considered:
None

Interests Declared: None

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