



**TO EACH MEMBER OF THE
EXECUTIVE**

01 April 2010

Dear Councillor

EXECUTIVE - Tuesday 6 April 2010

Further to the Chairman's Briefing which was held on Tuesday 30 March 2010, please find attached the following additional information:-

6. Petitions

To consider the following additional petition received in accordance with the Scheme of Public Participation set out in Annex 2 of Part A4 of the Constitution:

- The Executive of Central Bedfordshire Council to reject proposals currently before the Council to discontinue Hitchmead Foundation Special School, Hitchmead Road, Biggleswade from 31 August 2010.

8. Statutory proposals to merge Sunnyside and Hitchmead Special Schools

Children Families and Learning Overview and Scrutiny Committee made the following recommendation to the Executive:-

Recommended that the Executive consider innovative approaches to capital funding including Section 106 agreements in relation to special schools provision in Central Bedfordshire.

9. Approval of Schools Capital Projects and Programmes

Please find attached updates to the Capital Programme, Etonbury is an Executive decision, the balance are for information as they can be dealt with under delegated powers.

11. Central Bedfordshire, Energy and Recycling (BEaR) Project - Business Case Approval

Please note that recommendation (c) has been reworded as follows:-

Commits to the modelled affordability position of the residual treatment element over the period 2016 to 2041 (cost D) as outlined in Appendix A – Financial Appraisal (Exempt Item).

In addition, please find attached the following documents:-

- (i) an update to the Financial Implications section following the Chancellor's budget.
- (ii) the Minute from the Sustainable Communities Overview & Scrutiny Committee meeting held on 25 March 2010 including their presentation slides.

13. Web Development Strategy

Please find attached the Minute from the Business Transformation Overview & Scrutiny Committee meeting held on 22 March 2010.

In addition it was noted that recommendation (b) be withdrawn and the Strategy be brought to the May Executive following consideration by the Efficiencies Board.

15. Forward Plan

To receive the Forward Plan of Key Decisions which covers the period from 1 May 2010 to 30 April 2011 inclusive.

Should you have any queries regarding the above please contact Devina Lester, Senior Democratic Services Officer on Tel: 0300 300 4036.

Yours sincerely

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Executive – 6 April 2010

Agenda Item 9 – Approval of Schools Capital Projects and Programmes

Background

The paper contains a number of updates to the Capital Programme agreed by Council on 25 February, some of these changes can be made under delegated powers but the first in respect of Etonbury is an Executive decision.

The Executive will receive the Budget Management report on a quarterly basis; this report will formally revise the Capital Programme for any changes made under delegated powers or brought to the Executive for approval.

Services have previously been issued with a template for an Outline Business Case. Officers are currently working up a template for a Detailed Business Case which will have provision for more up to date costs and will not include the policy led scoring section. This will be in place for any proposals coming forward for the May Executive.

Schemes

Etonbury

The total cost of the scheme to provide additional places has increased by £95k which is met from Developer Contributions, the net cost of the scheme remaining at nil. Under the Constitution the Executive is required approve the increase.

Tithe Farm Lower

The Business Case has re-profiled the scheme with expenditure now forecast to go into 2012/13. This Capital Programme will be updated and reported at the end of the first quarter in the June Budget Management report to the Executive.

Schools Access Initiative

The published Capital Programme does not include any provision beyond 2011/12. The inclusion of £579 per annum as part of a rolling programme will need be considered as part of the review of the Capital Programme at the end of the first quarter of 2010/11.

Arnold Middle

The total cost of the scheme is £6k greater than the published Capital Programme. This will be reported in the June Budget Management report.

Gilbert Inglefield/Parkfield Middle

Conversely these scheme are £6k less than the published programme and this too will be reflect in the June report.

School Kitchens

The 2009/10 and 2010/11 Capital Programmes provide for £746k of spend met entirely from grant. The £311k in 2009/10 won't be fully spent.

Further Recommendation

Executive approve the increased £95k cost of the Etonbury Middle scheme, met from S106 contribution.

Item 11 – Central Bedfordshire, Energy and Recycling (BEaR) Project – Business Case Approval

Update to the Financial Implications

In his budget announcement last Wednesday (24th March), the Chancellor of the Exchequer stated that the Landfill Tax price escalator will increase by at least another year to 2014/15 where it will hit £80 per tonne rather than ending in 2013/14 at £72 per tonne as previously proposed. As it is payable for every tonne of waste sent to landfill, any increase in landfill taxation has a significant impact on waste disposal services, especially those that rely upon landfill as the primary method of disposal.

The BEaR Project has undertaken detailed modelling of two options, one to continue landfilling waste (the Do-minimum Option) and one to procure a long term waste treatment solution (the Reference Solution). A number of potential cost increases that impact either option were modelled as part of this work and were demonstrated to Members at the Overview and Scrutiny meeting on the 25th March. An increase in Landfill Tax to £80 per tonne was one of these possible increases.

This possible cost increase has now become a reality and has a significant effect on the cost of continuing to use landfill. Due to its heavy reliance on landfill, the cost of the Do-minimum option has subsequently increased by £13.5m over the modelled period. The primary purpose of the Reference Solution is to divert waste from landfill, however there is likely to be small amounts of landfill required whatever technical solution is selected during the procurement. Subsequently the cost of the Reference Solution has also increased, however only by £1.2m over the modelled period due to its low reliance on landfill. This change in assumptions now means that rather than a break even position between the two options, the Reference Solution now offers a saving of approximately £8m to the authority over the modelled period.

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Minutes from Sustainable Communities Overview & Scrutiny Committee –
25 March 2010

SCOSC/09/44 Central Bedfordshire Energy and Recycling (BEaR) Project - Business Case Approval

Prior to consideration of this agenda item the Chairman reminded the Committee that there was an exempt Appendix A and if any discussion of these pages was to occur the meeting would be taken into closed session with the Press and the Public being asked to leave the Chamber as the information was exempt from publication by virtue of Paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.

Prior to consideration of the item the Committee received representations made under the Public Participation Scheme as set out in Annex 1 of Part A4 of the Constitution.

A presentation was made to the Committee highlighting the options available to the authority following the withdrawal of Luton Borough Council and Bedford Borough Council from the Project. Also included was an overview of the financial appraisal undertaken for the Project which provided a direct comparison of the costs associated with taking the Project forward or continuing to landfill waste. A copy of the presentation is attached to these Minutes at Appendix A.

Following a lengthy and detailed question and answer session, the Committee were satisfied with the answers provided by the Assistant Portfolio Holder for Safer Communities & Healthier Lifestyles and the BEaR Project Officers and endorsed the recommendations which would be considered by the Executive at their meeting to be held on 6 April 2010.

RECOMMENDED TO THE EXECUTIVE:

- (a) that the recommendations (a) to (f) contained in the Executive report of the Director of Sustainable Communities be endorsed; and**
- (b) that the scope of the Project and the additional infrastructure elements as follows be endorsed:**
 - (i) Kitchen Waste Treatment Solution, treat food waste collected across Central Bedfordshire Council area;**
 - (ii) Household Waste Recycling Centres (HWRC) refurbish three existing HWRC sites and relocate fourth to new location;**

- (iii) Waste Transfer Station, for Central Bedfordshire Council to improve haulage efficiencies;**
- (iv) Highways Depot, delivery vehicle parking, storage and maintenance.**

The BEaR Project



**Sustainable Communities
Overview & Scrutiny Committee
25 March 2010**

Key Project Drivers

- **Minimise Risk**
- Current National waste policy/legislation
 - Landfill Allowance Trading Scheme (LATS) fines
 - Landfill tax escalator (rising by £8/t/yr)*
- Risk of future changes to legislation
- Availability of landfill & other waste disposal facilities
- Housing growth
- Climate change
- Need for alternative sources of energy
- Target of 60% recycling/composting by 2020

Residual Waste Treatment Solution

- Primary deliverable of Project
- Alternative solution to landfill for waste that is not recycled / composted
- Technology neutral approach
- Competitive Dialogue process (EU Law)
- Target operational date 2016
- Requirement to treat approximately 60kt per annum
- The Contractor will, design, build & fund solution, CBC may at later date consider other funding options

Available Options

Technologies

- Mechanical Biological Treatment (MBT)
 - Autoclave
- **Energy from Waste (EfW)**
 - Gasification

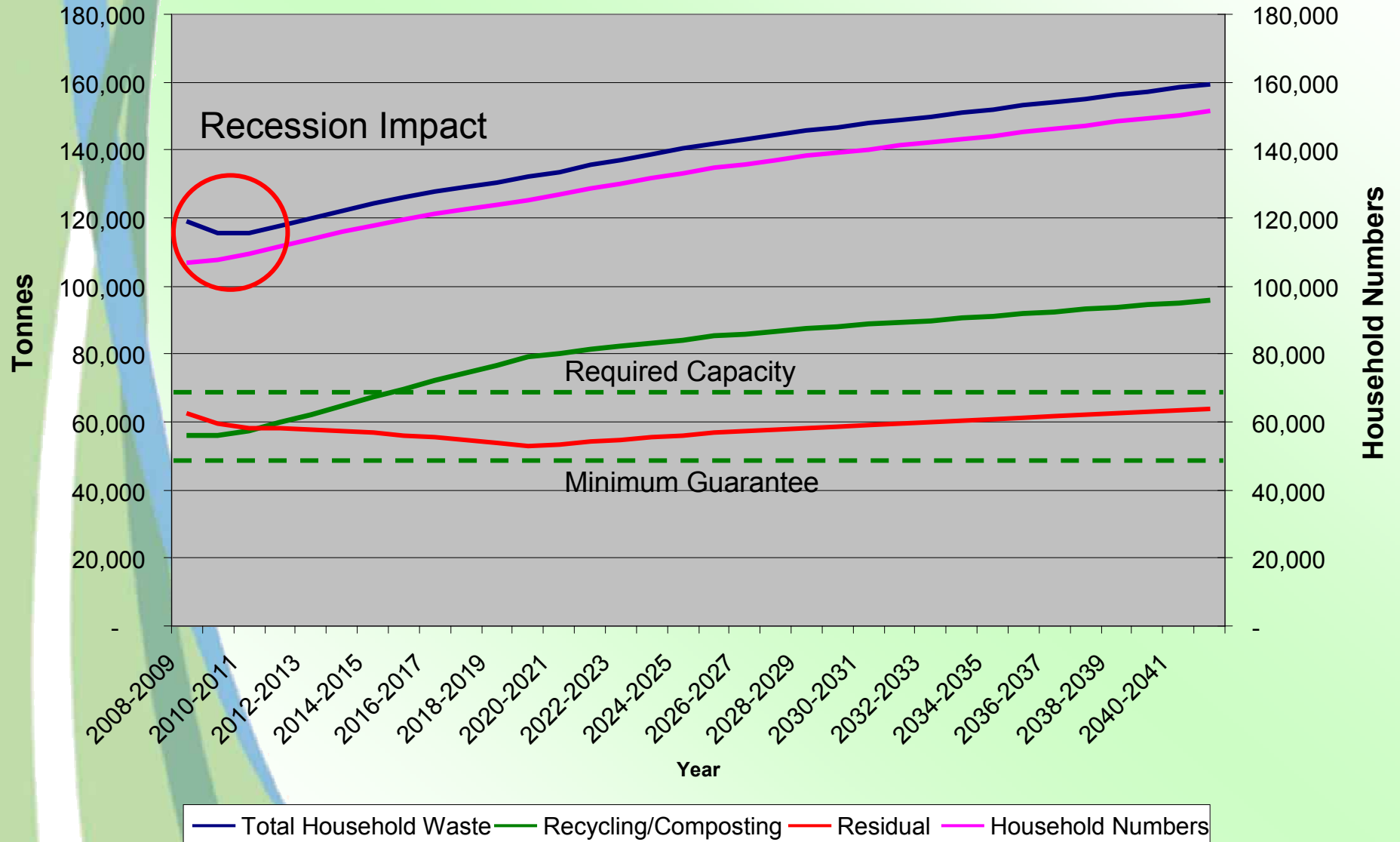
Contracting Options

- **Bespoke facility**
- Oversized facility
- Merchant capacity
 - In CBC area
 - Outside CBC area

Local Authority Procurement Update

- Buckinghamshire CC (PPP) – Final Tenders stage, expected to reach Preferred Bidder stage Sept 2010
- Milton Keynes & Northamptonshire CC (PFI) – Detailed Solutions stage, expected to reach Final Tenders stage end of 2010
- Hertfordshire CC (PFI) – Detailed Solutions stage, expected to reach Final Tenders stage Oct 2010
- Cambridgeshire CC (PFI) – MBT facility in commission stage, full operation expected Nov 2010
- Leicestershire CC (PFI) – Detailed Solutions stage, expected to reach Final Tenders stage Spring 2010

Waste Flow Modelling



Affordability Modelling

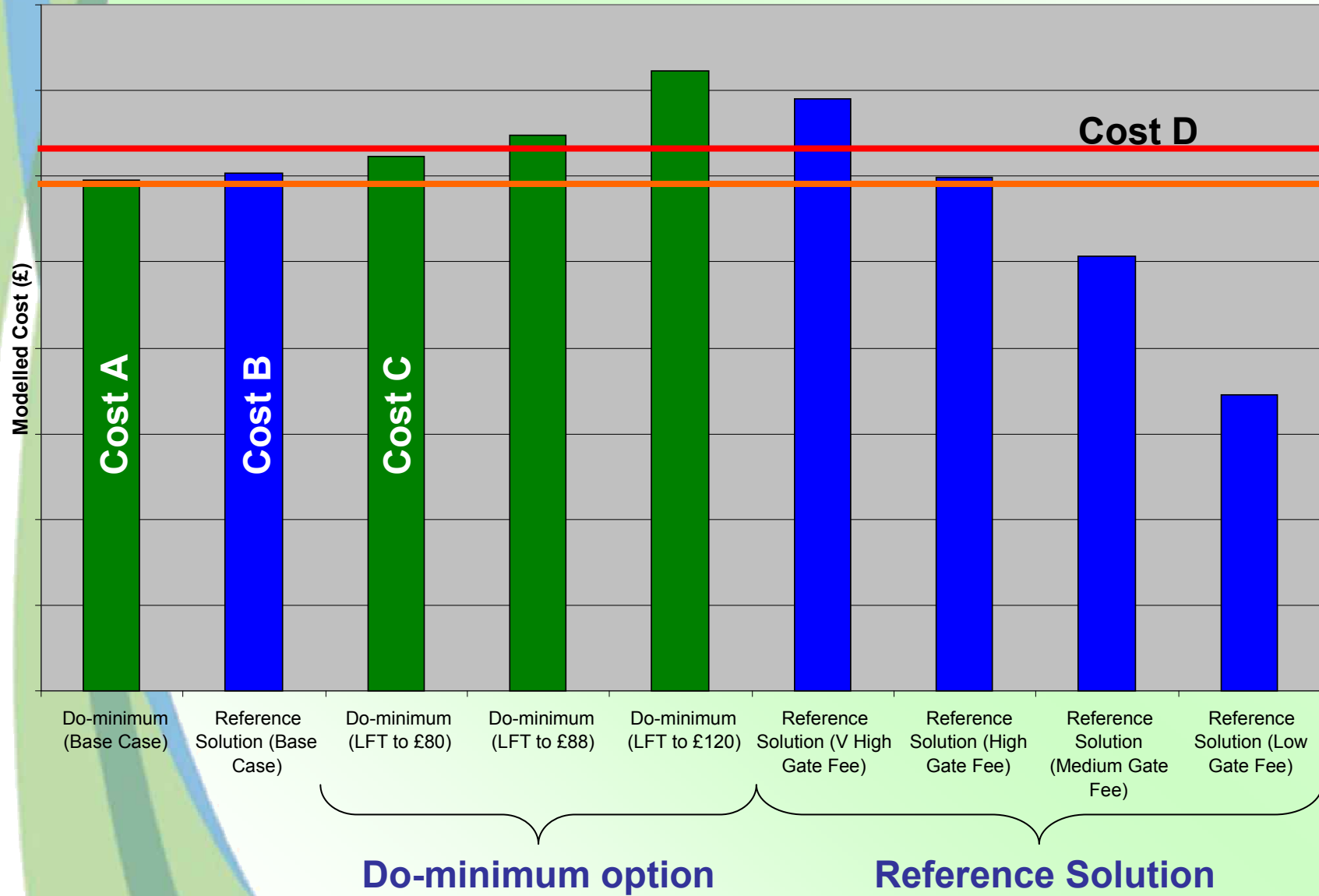
Do-Minimum Option

- Increase Recycling / Composting to 60% by 2020
- Continue sending remaining waste to landfill
- No new infrastructure delivered

Reference Solution

- Increase Recycling / Composting to 60% by 2020
- Send remaining waste to bespoke Energy from Waste facility within Central Bedfordshire for treatment
- Infrastructure required
- Technology & contract type selected for modelling only due to:
 - Known costs
 - High capital cost (prudent assumption)
 - Deliverability

Affordability Position



Modelling Variables

- Actual costs will only be realised during procurement
- Less capital-intensive solutions could be proposed
- Alternative funding options are being investigated (i.e. Capital injection by authority)
- Inclusion of additional elements could provide additional value for money

Additional Infrastructure

- **Kitchen Waste Treatment Solution**
Treat food waste collected across CBC area
- **Household Waste Recycling Centres**
Refurbish three existing HWRC sites & relocate fourth to new location
- **Waste Transfer Station**
For CBC to improve haulage efficiencies
- **Highways Depot**
Deliver vehicle parking, storage and maintenance

Key Project Benefits

Benefits of delivering Project:

- **Guaranteed disposal for life of contract**
- Environmentally superior solution to landfill
- **Known cost of long-term service**
- Avoidance of increasing landfill costs
- Avoidance of landfill availability risk
- **Risk transfer to contractor**

Benefits of delivering additional elements include:

- Procurement cost savings
- Possible co-location savings
- Delivery of the wider evolving Waste Strategy
- Interface risks removed/reduced

Thank you



Minutes from Business Transformation OSC meeting 22 March 2010

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Web Development Strategy

The Committee considered a report regarding the Web Development Strategy. It was acknowledged that during the creation of Central Bedfordshire the website had needed to be constructed very rapidly, merging three legacy authorities' web content. While work had been done throughout 2009 to improve the website, a fundamental improvement plan was needed and a Web Development Team had been tasked with creating a draft Web Development Strategy, which had been approved at the final Web Development Team meeting on 1 March 2010.

The Web Development Strategy aimed to unlock significant organisation wide savings and to give customers a better service. It was proposed that this would be delivered through five key areas of work:

- Getting the basics right
- Doing it better online
- Personalising services
- Getting involved in online conversations through social media
- Bridging the digital divide

It was anticipated that the project would take 2 years to be implemented in a phased approach, and that benefits of the strategy would start being realised from the second year of implementation onwards.

Members noted that while the majority of Central Bedfordshire residents willingly used, or would use, the internet; there was a significant minority who may not have the resources or inclination to use the internet in their daily lives and that the Council would need to be mindful of how these users accessed services or information. In addition, it was noted that 10 ikiosks had been placed in towns and villages to help members of the public who did not have access to computers otherwise.

It was noted that the website must be written in a language which was accessible by the public. An example would be to make sure that Waste was also locatable via 'garbage' and or 'rubbish'. It was important to remember that not everyone uses the same words when referring to services.

It was noted that the Elections pages within the website should be updated for the upcoming General and Local Elections. These pages would be receiving more visitors than non-election periods and needed to have accurate and timely information available at all times.

RESOLVED

- 1. that the draft Web Development Strategy be approved for consideration by the Executive at its meeting on 6 April 2010.**
- 2. that the Efficiencies Board ensure the robustness of the proposed financial savings flowing from this initiative and monitor progress accordingly.**
- 3. that the Council's website is managed proactively to ensure the provision of accurate and timely information, particularly with regard to known, planned, events such as elections.**
- 4. that the Web Development Strategy Task Force be thanked for its work.**

**Central Bedfordshire Council
Forward Plan of Key Decisions
1 May 2010 to 30 April 2011**

- 1) During the period from **1 May 2010 to 30 April 2011**, Central Bedfordshire Council plans to make key decisions on the issues set out below. “Key decisions” relate to those decisions of the Executive which are likely:
- to result in the incurring of expenditure which is, or the making of savings which are, significant (namely £200,000 or above per annum) having regard to the budget for the service or function to which the decision relates; or
 - to be significant in terms of their effects on communities living or working in an area comprising one or more wards in the area of Central Bedfordshire.
- 2) The Forward Plan is a general guide to the key decisions to be determined by the Executive and will be updated on a monthly basis. Key decisions will be taken by the Executive as a whole. The Members of the Executive are:

Member	Portfolio
Cllr Mrs Tricia Turner MBE	Chairman of the Executive and Leader of the Council
Cllr Richard Stay	Vice-Chairman of the Executive and Deputy Leader of the Council
Cllr Mrs Rita Drinkwater	Portfolio Holder for Housing
Cllr Mrs Carole Hegley	Portfolio Holder for Social Care and Health
Cllr Maurice Jones	Portfolio Holder for Finance, Governance and People
Cllr Mrs Anita Lewis	Portfolio Holder for Children’s Services
Cllr Steve Male	Portfolio Holder for Customers, Systems and Assets
Cllr Ken Matthews	Portfolio Holder for Economic Growth, Skills and Regeneration
Cllr David McVicar	Portfolio Holder for Safer Communities and Healthier Lifestyles
Cllr Tom Nicols	Portfolio Holder for Sustainable Development

- 3) Those items identified for decision more than one month in advance may change in forthcoming Plans. Each new Plan supersedes the previous Plan. Any person who wishes to make representations to the Executive about the matter in respect of which the decision is to be made should do so to the officer whose telephone number and e-mail address are shown in the Forward Plan. Any correspondence should be sent to the contact officer at the relevant address as shown below. General questions about the Plan such as specific dates, should be addressed to the Head of Democratic Services, Priory House, Monks Walk, Chicksands, Shefford SG17 5TQ.
- 4) The agendas for meetings of the Executive will be published as follows:

Meeting Date	Publication of Agenda
12 May 2009	01 May 2009
23 June 2009	15 June 2009
21 July 2009	13 July 2009
18 August 2009	10 August 2009
15 September 2009	7 September 2009
13 October 2009	5 October 2009
10 November 2009	2 November 2009
8 December 2009	30 November 2009
12 January 2010	4 January 2010
9 February 2010	1 February 2010
9 March 2010	1 March 2010
6 April 2010	25 March 2010

Central Bedfordshire Council

Forward Plan of Key Decisions for the period 1 May 2010 to 30 April 2011

Key Decisions

Date of Publication: 31 March 2010

Ref No.	Issue for Key Decision by the Executive	Intended Decision	Indicative Meeting Date	Consultees and Date/Method	Documents which may be considered	Portfolio Holder and Contact officer (method of comment and closing date)
1.	Creasey Park Community Football Development Centre -	To award the building contract to build the Football Development centre.	4 May 2010	Stakeholder group Ward members PFH	Football Foundation Grant Conditions	Cllr David McVicar Comments by 07/04/10 to Contact Officer: Jill Dickinson, Community Services Manager jill.dickinson@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk Tel: 0300 300 2258

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2.	Equalities Scheme -	Approval of the Council's Equality and Diversity Scheme which sets out the Council's vision and approach to ensuring all sections of the community get high quality services appropriate to their needs and also sets out how the Council will meet its legal responsibilities to ensure equality and diversity is integrated in to its service planning, delivery and human resource systems.	4 May 2010	Divisional Management Teams CBC Equalities Forum Officer Workshops (June - October 2009) The development of the Scheme has included consideration of national and local consultation evidence relating to the nature of inequality.	Report Draft Scheme and Action Plan	Cllr Richard Stay Comments by 07/04/10 to Contact Officer: Elaine Malarky, Head of Policy elaine.malarky@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk Tel: 01234 228269
3.	Community Engagement Strategy and Delivery Plan -	Approval of the finalised Strategy and Delivery Plan which follows the key principles agreed at the October Executive.	4 May 2010		Report	Cllr Richard Stay Comments by 07/04/10 to Contact Officer: Ian Porter, Assistant Director Policy, Partnerships & Performance ian.porter@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk Tel: 0300 300 6529

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4.	Climate Change Strategy -	Adoption of the Climate Strategy and approach of the Council to tackling climate change. Agreement and adoption of carbon footprint reduction targets for the Council's services and operations.	4 May 2010	Key staff consulted via Climate Change Management Board	Report and supporting documents	Cllr Tom Nicols Comments by 07/04/10 to Contact Officers: Elaine Malarky, Head of Policy elaine.malarky@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk Stephen.mooring@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk
5.	Award of the Aids and Adaption and Disabled Facilities Grants Contract to Private Sector Properties District Wide and Housing Properties South of the District. -	To award the contract.	4 May 2010		Tender report	Cllr Mrs Rita J Drinkwater Comments by 7 April to Contact Officer: Basil Quinn, Housing Asset Manager Performance 0300 300 5118

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6.	Highways Contract Novation -	Following the paper received on 14 April 2009, this paper updates the Executive on progress made on negotiations with Bedford Borough Council (BBC) to secure highways services in Central Bedfordshire. The paper will inform Members of expected dates for novating the existing highways contract and identify any risks/costs to service provision.	8 June 2010		Report	Cllr David McVicar Comments by 11/05/10 to Contact Officer: Basil Jackson, Assistant Director Highways basil.jackson@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk Tel: 01234 228601

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7.	Adoption of the Central Bedfordshire Housing Strategy 2010 -	The Executive are asked to give approval for the adoption of the strategy and the detailed action plan following consideration of the following points: 1. draft Central Bedfordshire Housing Strategy 2010 2. the consultation responses 3. whether the Housing Strategy will meet the housing needs for Central Bedfordshire 4. any recommendation by the Overview & Scrutiny Committee for Sustainable Communities	8 June 2010	15 January 2010: Key Stakeholders and Partners 28 January 2010: members consultation event Web based consultation December 2009 - February 2010	The Central Bedfordshire Housing Strategy 2010	Cllr Tom Nicols Comments by 11/05/10 to Contact Officer: Zoe Cox, Housing Research & Policy Officer zoe.cox@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk Tel: 0300 300 4479
8.	Acquisition of Land in Flitwick -	To approve the purchase using GAF funding.	8 June 2010		Report	Cllr Maurice R Jones Comments by 11/05/10 to Contact Officer: Peter Burt, MRICS, Head of Property Assets peter.burt@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk Tel: 0300 300 5281

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9.	Asset Disposal Policy -	To approve the Policy.	8 June 2010		Report and Policy	Cllr Maurice R Jones Comments by 11/05/10 to Contact Officer: Peter Burt, MRICS, Head of Property Assets peter.burt@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk Tel: 0300 300 5281
10.	Strategic Planning Framework for Central Bedfordshire -	To set out the strategic approach for transformation and improvement of the Council to meet it's corporate plan vision.	8 June 2010		Report	Cllr Richard Stay Comments by 11/05/10 to Contact Officer: Ian Porter, Assistant Director Policy, Partnerships & Performance ian.porter@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk Tel: 0300 300 6529
11.	The Remodelling of Customer Services -	To approve the Customer Services remodelling proposals.	8 June 2010		Report	Cllr Maurice R Jones Comments by 11/05/10 to Contact Officer: Clive Jones, Assistant Director Business Transformation & Customer Services clive.jones@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk Tel: 0300 300 4168

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12.	Sustainable Community Strategy for Central Bedfordshire -	To agree the Sustainable Community Strategy for Central Bedfordshire which sets out the Local Strategic Partnership Board's vision and priorities for the Central Bedfordshire area.	8 June 2010	Wide range of consultation activity with residents, partners and stakeholders, including through: Town & Parish Council Conference (4/11/09), Central Bedfordshire Forum (14/0110), MORI Residents' Panel (23/1/10) and Third Sector Assembly (3/2/10).	The Central Bedfordshire Sustainable Community Strategy	Cllr Mrs Patricia E Turner MBE Comments by 11/05/10 to Contact Officer: Peter Fraser, Head of Partnerships & Community Engagement peter.fraser@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk Tel: 0300 300 6740
13.	CCTV Service Options -	To consider options available to move to a common approach to the provision of a CCTV service within Central Bedfordshire.	8 June 2010	Portfolio Holder (Safer and Stronger Communities) Key Stakeholders Sustainable Communities Overview and Scrutiny Committee – May 2010	Report	Cllr David McVicar Comments by 11/05/10 to Contact Officer: Jane Moakes, Assistant Director Community Safety & Public Protection jane.moakes@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk Tel: 0300 300 5441
14.	Award of the Day to Day Response and Programmed Electrical Maintenance Contract to Council Houses South of the District -	To award the contract.	8 June 2010		Tender report	Cllr Mrs Rita J Drinkwater Comments by 11/05/10 to Contact Officer: Basil Quinn, Housing Asset Manager Performance 0300 300 5202

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15.	Supporting Excellence: An Adult Social Care Workforce Strategy for Central Bedfordshire -	To approve the workforce strategy.	8 June 2010	Healthier Communities & Older Peoples Partnership Board Social Care, Health & Housing Overview and Scrutiny Committee	Report	Cllr Mrs Carole Hegley Comments by 11/05/2010 to Contact Officer: David Jones, Transformation Project Director Social Care, Health & Housing 01234 228649
16.	Approval of additional services to be included in the BEaR Project Procurement -	To approve additional services.	8 June 2010		Report	Cllr David McVicar Comments by 11/05/10 to Contact Officer: Alan Fleming, BEaR Project Director, Sustainable Communities alan.fleming@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk Tel: 0300 300 6968 Ben Finlayson, BEaR Project Manager ben.finlayson@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk Tel: 0300 300 6277
17.	Care Homes Contract Extension -	a) agree to waiver of standing orders b) approve extension of contract	8 June 2010		Report	Cllr Mrs Carole Hegley Comments by 11/05/10to Contact Officer: David Jones, Transformation Project Director Social Care, Health & Housing david.jones3@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk Tel: 0300 300 6190

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18.	Executive arrangements under the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007 -	To consider the requirements of the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007 in respect of the Council's executive arrangements and how the council should respond to those requirements.	13 July 2010		Report	Cllr Mrs Patricia E Turner MBE Comments by 15/06/10 to Contact Officer: Kathrin John, Head of Democratic Services kathrin.john@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk Tel: 0300 300 4380
19.	Visible Presence -	To consider the options available for Central Bedfordshire to undertake enforcement of a range of environmental and community safety legislation (including the Environmental Protection Act (EPA) and Clean Neighbourhoods and Environment Act (CNEA)) and exploring the role that a uniformed team has in that respect.	13 July 2010	Relevant Portfolio Holders Key Stakeholders	Report	Cllr David McVicar Comments by 15/06/10 to Contact Officer: Jane Moakes, Assistant Director Community Safety & Public Protection jane.moakes@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk Tel: 0300 300 5441

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20.	Consultation on the Draft East of England Plan to 2031 -	To agree the Council's response to the draft plan.	13 July 2010		Report	Cllr Tom Nicols Comments by 15/06/10 to Contact Officer: Richard Fox, Head of Development Plan richard.fox@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk Tel: 0300 300 4105
21.	Safeguarding Annual Report of the Local Safeguarding Children Board 2009 - 10 -	To receive the report of the Joint Central Bedfordshire and Bedford Borough LCSB which sets out how the Board and Partners have met the statutory duties.	17 August 2010		Report	Cllr Mrs Anita M Lewis Comments by 17/07/10 to Contact Officer: Martin Pratt, Deputy Director Children Families and Learning and Assistant Director Specialist Services martin.pratt@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk Tel: 0300 300 4484
22.	Policy for Charging for Non-Residential Social Care Services -	To approve the revised Policy.	17 August 2010	Overview and Scrutiny Task Group (dates tba) Public Consultation (April - July 2010)	Report and Policy	Cllr Mrs Carole Hegley Comments by 17/07/10 to Contact Officer: Tim Hoyle, Head of Business Systems tim.hoyle@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk Tel: 0300 300 3065
23.	Gypsy and Traveller Development Plan Document for Submission -	To agree the Gypsy and Traveller Development Plan Document for Submission. This relates to the LDF North area.	28 September 2010	Stakeholders Members of the public Sustainable Communities Overview and Scrutiny Committee	Report and draft document	Cllr Tom Nicols Comments by 31/08/010 to Contact Officer: Richard Fox, Head of Development Plan richard.fox@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk Tel: 0300 300 4105

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24.	Central Bedfordshire Validation Checklist for Planning Applications -	To adopt a harmonised local validation checklist for planning applications within Central Bedfordshire.	28 September 2010	stakeholders including agents and statutory consultees	Report	Cllr Tom Nicols Comment on 31/08/10 to Contact Officer: Andrew Davie, Head of Development Management (North) andrew.davie@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk Tel: 0300 300 4426
25.	Child Poverty Strategy -	To agree the strategy which sets out how the Local Authority and its partners intend to reduce child poverty by 2020. This includes 4 targets (relative low income, material deprivation, absolute poverty and persistent poverty). This also includes a needs assessment to describe the characteristics of child and family within Central Bedfordshire and a joint child poverty strategy which will outline the steps and accountability for the Local Authority and partners.	28 September 2010		Report	Cllr Mrs Anita M Lewis Comments by 31/08/10 Glen Denham, Assistant Director Integrated Services 0-19 glen.denham@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk Tel: 0300 300 6125

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26.	Local Economic Assessment -	To approve the Central Bedfordshire Local Economic Assessment.	7 December 2010	Stakeholders Members of the public Full public consultation undertaken between August - October	Draft final Local Economic Assessment	Cllr Ken C Matthews Comments by 16/11/10 to Contact Officer: James Cushing, Head of Economic Policy james.cushing@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk Tel: 0300 300 4984
27.	School Modernisation -	To approve the commencement of the rolling capital programme	Portfolio Holder Delegated Decision		Report	Cllr Mrs Anita M Lewis Comments to Contact Officer: Rob Parsons, Head of School Organisation and Capital Planning 0300 300 5572
28.	School Temporary Accommodation -	To approve the commencement of the rolling capital programme	Portfolio Holder Delegated Decision		Report	Cllr Mrs Anita M Lewis Comments to Contact Officer: Rob Parsons, Head of School Organisation and Capital Planning 0300 300 5572
29.	Asbestos, Health & Safety -	To approve the commencement of the rolling capital programme.	Portfolio Holder Delegated Decision		Report	Cllr Mrs Anita M Lewis Comments to Contact Officer: Rob Parsons, Head of School Organisation and Capital Planning 0300 300 5572

Postal address for Contact Officers: Central Bedfordshire Council, Priory House, Monks Walk, Chicksands, Shefford SG17 5TQ

**Central Bedfordshire Council
Forward Plan of Decisions on Key Issues**

The following table sets out the dates on which the Central Bedfordshire Council Forward Plan will be published in 2009/10:

Date of Publication	Period of Plan
08.05.09	1 June 2009 – 31 May 2010
15.06.09	1 July 2009 – 30 June 2010
15.07.09	1 August 2009 – 31 July 2010
13.08.09	1 September 2009 – 31 August 2010
10.09.09	1 October 2009 – 30 September 2010
08.10.09	1 November 2009 – 31 October 2010
05.11.09	1 December 2009 – 30 November 2010
03.12.09	1 January – 31 December 2010
07.01.10	1 February 2010 – 31 January 2011
04.02.10	1 March 2010 – 28 February 2011
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