CENTRAL BEDFORDSHIRE SHADOW COUNCIL

THE SHADOW EXECUTIVE Tuesday, 16 December 2008

DECISIONS DIGEST

DATE
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19 DECEMBER 2008

THE CALL-IN DEADLINE FOR ANY ITEMS CONTAINED IN THIS DIGEST IS 5.00 P.M. ON MONDAY 29 DECEMBER 2008. SUBJECT TO ANY CALL-IN REQUESTS BEING RECEIVED, ALL THE DECISIONS WILL BE ACTIONED ON OR AFTER TUESDAY 30 DECEMBER 2008.

AGENDA ITEM NO./SUBJECT	DECISION	PORTFOLIO HOLDER	ACTIONING OFFICER
CR6 CENTRAL BEDFORDSHIRE UNITARY COUNCIL'S SEVERANCE / EARLY RETIREMENT POLICY (Contact Officer: Steve James, Interim Human Resources Lead email: steve.james@midbeds.gov.uk Tel: 01462 611064)	1. that, in line with current practice amongst predecessor authorities, Central Bedfordshire should not operate the discretion available under Regulation 52 of the Local Government Pension Scheme ("added years").	Portfolio for Corporate Resources	Director of Corporate Resources
	2. that the Shadow Exeuctive adopt a strategy that makes use of the available discretion under the redundancy compensation scheme to award up to 45 weeks in 2009/10.		
	3. that the Interim Chief Executive, in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Corporate Resources, be authorised to implement the severance/early retirement policy with effect from 1 April 2009 in accordance with resolution 2 above.		
	4. that the policy in respect of severance and early retirement be included in the suite of employment policies for the new Council.		

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SD1 THE CENTRAL BEDFORDSHIRE LOCAL DEVELOPMENT	 that the Central Bedfordshire Local Development Scheme be approved for formal submission to the Secretary of State, and following approval, be brought into effect. 	Portfolio for Sustainable Development	Director of Sustainable Communities
SCHEME (Contact Officer: Connie Frost-Bryant, Planning Officer email: connie.frost-bryant@midbeds.gov.uk Tel: 01462 611329)	2. that the Director of Sustainable Communities in conjunction with the Portfolio Holder (Sustainable Development), be authorised to make any minor changes to the Central Bedfordshire Local Development Scheme both prior to submission, and in response to any comments made by GO-East and the Secretary of State.		
	3. that the Shadow Executive notes that, in view of the need to submit the new LDS to the Secretary of State no later than 31 December 2008, the decision at 1 above is urgent and therefore exempt from call-in under Rule No.15 of the Scrutiny Procedure Rules.		
SD2 LOCAL AUTHORITY MODERNISATION PROJECT (LAMP) PROJECT FOR CENTRAL BEDFORDSHIRE COUNCIL (Contact Officer: Gary Alderson, Director of Sustainable Communities, CBC email: gary.alderson@midbeds.gov.uk Tel: 01462 611391 / Ian McArdle, Central Bedfordshire Project Manager email: ian.mcardle@midbeds.gov.uk Tel: 01462 611614)	that the Shadow Executive accepts the proposal set out in the business case to use the LAMP Project at a one-off cost of £1,060,000 to deliver a unified computer system for Development Control, Building Control, Land Charges and Environmental Service areas for Central Bedfordshire Council, incorporating a Council wide Geographical Information System and Local Land and Property Gazetteer.	Portfolio for Sustainable Development	Director of Sustainable Communities

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CR1 AWARD OF TENDER FOR CISCO EQUIPMENT AND SOFTWARE	 that the report of the Director of Corporate Resources and the tender evaluation scoring as set out at Appendix "A", be noted. 	Portfolio for Corporate Resources	Director of Corporate Resources
(Contact Officer: Rob Wood, Interim Head of Strategic ICT, SBDC email: rob.wood@midbeds.gov.uk Tel: 01462 611609)	that the Shadow Executive approves the award of the tender to procure Central Bedfordshire Council's Cisco hardware and software requirements to Supplier 1, at a cost not exceeding £950,000.		
	3. that the Shadow Executive be provided with an update, via a future implementation monitoring report, in respect of the proposed arrangements for the Customer Contact Centre.		
IMPLEMENTATION PLAN MONITORING REPORT (Contact Officer: Simon Redmore, Deputy Chief Executive, MBDC email: simon.redmore@midbeds.gov.uk Tel: 01462 611255)	 that a further progress report be made to the next meeting of the Shadow Executive. that, as requested by the Shadow Scrutiny Committee, the original estimates in the transitional budget be reviewed in order to establish more accurately the budget likely to be required to take account of current circumstances. that a copy of the 'Progress Report' update that was considered by the Shadow Scrutiny Committee on 11 December 2008 be circulated to the Shadow Executive. 	Portfolio for Corporate Resources	Programme Management Officer

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CR3 LUTON AND SOUTH BEDFORDSHIRE JOINT COMMITTEES (Contact Officer: Rob Mills, Scrutiny & Committees Manager email: rob.mills@southbeds.gov.uk Tel: 01462 611391)	 that the arrangements as set out in paragraph 2 of the report to the Luton and South Bedfordshire Joint Committee on 28 November 2008 for:- (a) the continuation of the existing Section 29 (planning) Joint Committee until 1 April 2012; and (b) parallel arrangements for the Section 101 (transportation) Joint Committee, including their respective Member composition, be approved. that the Shadow Executive notes that the arrangements for the Section 29 (planning) Joint Committee and the Section 101 (transportation) Joint Committee have been incorporated into the draft constitution for Central Bedfordshire Council, to take effect from 1 April 2009 (subject to Full Council approval in February 2009), and will similarly be incorporated into the constitution of Luton Borough Council. that the Shadow Executive delegates authority to the Head of Legal and Democratic Services to finalise with Luton Borough Council the detailed terms of reference and/or 	Portfolio for Corporate Resources	Head of Legal and Democratic Services
CR4 FEES AND CHARGES STRATEGY 2009/10 (Contact Officer: David	formal agreement to enable the work of the Joint Committees to continue uninterrupted. 1. that the Shadow Executive approves the principles set out in paragraph 2 (c) of the report of the Director of Corporate Resources applying to the setting of Fees and Charges in 2009/10.	Portfolio for Corporate Resources	Chief Finance Officer
Sutherland, Interim Chief Finance Officer, CBC / Chief Finance Officer, MBDC email: david.sutherland@midbeds.gov.uk Tel: 01462 611080)	2. that the Portfolio Holder for Corporate Resources, in consultation with the Director of Corporate Resources, respond to the questions raised by the Shadow Scrutiny Committee on 11 December 2008.		

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CR5 CAPITAL INVESTMENT STRATEGY (Contact Officer: Brian Mew, Interim Finance Manager email: brian.mew@midbeds.gov.uk Tel: 01462 611070)	 approves the draft Capital Investment Strategy for Central Bedfordshire attached at Appendix "A" to the report of the Director of Corporate Resources for submission to Full Council as part of the budget process. approves the process for consideration and approval of the Capital Programme and financing outlined in the report. 	Portfolio for Corporate Resources	Director of Corporate Resources

Date Issued:	19.12.08	То:	All Members of the Shadow Council and Management Team
	NOTE: Recomm	nendation	s of the Executive to the Council (shown in italics) are NOT subject to call-in.