CENTRAL BEDFORDSHIRE SHADOW COUNCIL

THE SHADOW EXECUTIVE Tuesday, 20 January 2009

DECISIONS DIGEST

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THE CALL-IN DEADLINE FOR ANY ITEMS CONTAINED IN THIS DIGEST IS 5.00 P.M. ON FRIDAY 30 JANUARY 2009 SUBJECT TO ANY CALL-IN REQUESTS BEING RECEIVED, ALL THE DECISIONS WILL BE ACTIONED ON OR AFTER MONDAY 2 FEBRUARY 2009.

AGENDA ITEM NO./SUBJECT	DECISION	PORTFOLIO HOLDER	ACTIONING OFFICER
SC1 ENFORCEMENT POLICY AND REGULATORS' COMPLIANCE CODE (Contact Officer: Susan Childerhouse, Work Environment Manager email: susan.childerhouse@midbeds.gov.uk Tel: 01462 611394)	1. that the Enforcement Policy for Central Bedfordshire as set out at Appendix 1 to the report of the Director of Sustainable Communities, be adopted.	Portfolio for Safer and Stronger Communities	Director of Sustainable Communities
	 that the Regulators' Compliance Code as set out at Appendix 2 to the report of the Director of Sustainable Communities, be adopted. 		
	3. that the Director of Sustainable Communities, in consultation with the Portfolio Holder (Safer, Stronger Communities) be delegated the power to make minor amendments to the enforcement policies.		

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CR1 MEMBERS' ALLOWANCES	RECOMMENDED that the Shadow Council:	Portfolio for Corporate	
SCHEME 2009/10 (Contact Officer: Rob Mills, Scrutiny and Committees Manager email: rob.mills@southbeds.gov.uk Tel: 0845 849 6274)	 (a) notes that the Shadow Executive, having taken careful consideration of the recommendations of the Independent Remuneration Panel and additional information provided since the review, would support a revised scheme of members' allowances for the year commencing 1 April 2009 as set out in the amended summary circulated at the meeting by the Portfolio Holder for Corporate Resources, and subject also to be included a flat rate Special Responsibility Allowance (SRA) of £2,525 (i.e. 7.5% of the Leader's allowance) for each Minority Group Leader, at an estimated total cost of £1,200,000. 	Resources	Resources
	(b) notes that the Shadow Executive endorses the conclusion of the Independent Remuneration Panel that all Central Bedfordshire Councillors should be given access to the Local Government Pension Scheme, based on the sum of members' basic and Special Responsibilities Allowances (SRA), at an estimated cost of £75,000.		
	(c) approves a scheme of members' allowances for the year commencing 1 April 2009 as proposed by the Shadow Executive at (a) and (b) above.		

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CR2 CREATING CENTRAL BEDFORDSHIRE: PROPERTY & ACCOMMODATION ISSUES (Contact Officer: Clive Heaphy, Director of Corporate Resources email: clive.heaphy@midbeds.gov.uk Tel: 01462 611421)	 that having considered the progress made to date, the planned actions in relation to the implementation of the Initial Accommodation Plan and Medium Term Property Strategy for Central Bedfordshire Council be endorsed. that having considered the property and accommodation issues, the actions relative to the disaggregation of the County Council's property assets pursuant to finalising a list of agreed disaggregated property assets in line with requirements laid down by the Secretary of State be endorsed. 	Portfolio for Corporate Resources	Director of Corporate Resources
CR3 RESERVES POLICY 2009/10 (Contact Officer: Clive Heaphy, Director of Corporate Resources email: clive.heaphy@midbeds.gov.uk Tel: 01462 611421)	 RECOMMENDED that the Shadow Council:- (a) approves the reserves policy for 2009/10 as set out in the report of the Director of Corporate Resources; (b) approves the setting of the minimum General Fund Reserve level for 2009/10 at £4.68m for Central Bedfordshire as indicated in paragraph 17 of Appendix 1 to the report of the Director of Corporate Resources; and (c) determines that the Authority will review the reserves policy following the closure of the accounts of the three legacy authorities. 	Portfolio for Corporate Resources	Director of Corporate Resources
CR4 CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2009/10 - 2012/13 (Contact Officer: David Sutherland, Chief Finance Officer email: david.sutherland@midbeds.gov.uk Tel: 01462 611080)	 that the Shadow Executive:- (a) notes the draft Capital Programme proposals for 2009/10 – 2010/11 for Central Bedfordshire attached at Appendices A – G of the report of the Director of Corporate Resources; (b) approves in principle those schemes categorised as 1 to 5 as the basis of the Capital Programme to be recommended to the Shadow Council; 	Portfolio for Corporate Resources	Director of Corporate Resources

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	 (c) notes the indicative Capital Programme proposals for 2011/12 – 2012/13 for Central Bedfordshire attached at Appendix H of the report of the Director of Corporate Resources; 		
	(d) notes the draft Housing Revenue Account Capital Programme for Central Bedfordshire attached at Appendix K to the report of the Director of Corporate Resources; and		
	(e) notes that any comments of the Shadow Scrutiny Committee will be included in a further report on the Capital Programme to be considered at the next meeting, for recommendation to the Shadow Council.		
CR5 CREATING CENTRAL BEDFORDSHIRE - PROGRESS REPORT (Contact Officer: Simon Redmore, Deputy Chief Executive, Mid Bedfordshire District Council email: simon.redmore@midbeds.gov.uk Tel: 01462 611255)	that the progress report be noted and that Officers be requested to provide a further progress report to the next meeting of the Shadow Executive.		Director of Corporate Resources

Date Issued:	23 January 2009	To:	All Members of the Shadow Council and Management Team
	NOTE: Recommendations of the Executive to the Council (shown in italics) are NOT subject to call-in.		