

CENTRAL BEDFORDSHIRE COUNCIL

THE EXECUTIVE
 Tuesday, 2 November 2010

DECISIONS DIGEST

THE CALL-IN DEADLINE FOR ANY ITEMS CONTAINED IN THIS DIGEST IS 5.00 P.M. ON THURSDAY 11 NOVEMBER 2010 SUBJECT TO ANY CALL-IN REQUESTS BEING RECEIVED, ALL THE DECISIONS WILL BE ACTIONED ON OR AFTER FRIDAY 12 NOVEMBER 2010.

**DATE
 ISSUED/PUBLISHED
 4 NOVEMBER 2010**

AGENDA ITEM NO./SUBJECT	DECISION	PORTFOLIO HOLDER	ACTIONING OFFICER
<p>CAPITAL PROGRAMME REVIEW (Contact Officer: Matt Bowmer, Assistant Director, Financial Services/Chief Finance Officer email: matt.bowmer@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk Tel: 0300 300 6147)</p>	<p>RECOMMENDED TO COUNCIL <i>That the updated Capital Programme of £30.717M for 2010/11, as set out in columns 10 to 12 of the summary in Appendix A of the submitted report, be approved.</i></p> <p>RESOLVED</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. That slippage of £2.832M to the 2011/12 Capital Programme, as set out in columns 19 to 21 of the summary in Appendix A of the submitted report, be noted. 2. That, subject to the recommendation above, the 11% reduction in the borrowing requirement for 2010/11 Capital schemes, be noted. 3. That the potential pressures on the Capital Programme for 2012/13, as detailed in the submitted report, be noted. 	<p>Portfolio for Finance, Governance and People</p>	<p>Director of Customer and Shared Services</p>

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	<p>4. That no future additional commitments be entered into in advance of the Local Government Finance Settlement and Budget Report to Council in February 2011.</p>		
<p>CORPORATE BUDGET STRATEGY <i>(Contact Officer: Matt Bowmer, Assistant Director, Financial Services/Chief Finance Officer email: matt.bowmer@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk Tel: 0300 300 6147)</i></p>	<p>That the Executive:-</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. acknowledge the considerable challenges facing the Council in view of the Government's Comprehensive Spending Review announcement and the expected reduction in funding for local authorities; 2. endorse the strategic response, proposed outcomes and direction of travel, as set out in paragraphs 21 to 40 of the submitted report; 3. agree to move the following proposals, OCE1, HT1, CSS2 and CSS9, from Appendix A (efficiencies for consultation) to Appendix B (service reconfigurations and reductions for consultations); 4. note the efficiency proposals outlined in Appendix A of the submitted report, subject to the deletion of proposal CSS13, authorise officers to commence any consultations needed in connection with these proposals, including consultation with employee representatives under the Trade Union & Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992, and delegate to the Portfolio Holder for People, Finance and Governance authority to implement appropriate individual savings proposals for the 2009/10 financial year in consultation with the Portfolio Holders and Directors for the relevant service areas and the Chief Finance Officer; 	<p>Portfolio for Finance, Governance and People</p>	<p>Director of Customer and Shared Services</p>

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	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 5. invite Overview & Scrutiny and other stakeholders to comment on the Service Reconfiguration and Reduction saving proposals detailed in Appendix B of the submitted report; 6. note the announcement by the Government in its Comprehensive Spending Review of a 28% reduction in Local Authority grants and requests officers to bring forward further saving options; 7. approve the communications and engagement process detailed in the submitted report; 8. agree the timetable for setting the 2011/12 Budget, as set out in paragraph 50 of the submitted report. 		
<p>CARBON MANAGEMENT PLAN <i>(Contact Officer: Richard Fox, Head of Development Plan email: richard.fox@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk Tel: 0300 300 4105)</i></p>	<p>That the Carbon Management Plan, attached as Appendix A to the submitted report, be approved.</p>	<p>Portfolio for Sustainable Development</p>	<p>Director of Sustainable Communities</p>
<p>CENTRAL BEDFORDSHIRE HOUSING STRATEGY 2010 - 2015 <i>(Contact Officer: John Lucas, John Lucas, Housing Strategy Team Leader, email: john.lucas@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk Tel: 0300 300 4120)</i></p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. That the draft Housing Strategy 2010-2015, attached as Appendix A to the submitted report, be approved as the basis for public consultation. 2. That public consultation take place in accordance with the proposals set out in the submitted report. 	<p>Portfolio for Sustainable Development</p>	<p>Director of Sustainable Communities</p>

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	<p>3. That following public consultation, the draft Strategy be referred direct to the Council for approval, subject to any amendments that may be appropriate in the light of the consultation, and that the Director of Sustainable Communities be authorised to report direct to the Council on this matter following consultation with the Portfolio Holders for Sustainable Development and Housing.</p>		
<p>LOCAL INVESTMENT PLAN BID TO THE HOMES AND COMMUNITIES AGENCY <i>(Contact Officer: Jon Cliff, Head of Growth Programme email: jon.cliff@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk Tel: 0300 300 4373)</i></p>	<p>1. That the Local investment Plan be approved for submission to the Homes and Communities Agency (HCA).</p> <p>2. That, modifications to the Local investment Plan required to respond to any changes in emphasis at the HCA arising from the Government's Comprehensive Spending Review and forthcoming reforms, be delegated to the Director of Sustainable Communities, in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Economic Growth Skills and Regeneration.</p> <p>3. That the signing of a Local Investment Agreement between the Council and the HCA, based on the Local Investment Plan submission, be delegated to the Director of Sustainable Communities in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Economic Growth Skills and Regeneration.</p>	<p>Portfolio Holder for Economic Growth, Skills & Regeneration</p>	<p>Director of Sustainable Communities</p>
<p>EMPTY HOMES STRATEGY <i>(Contact Officer: Nick Costin, Head of Private Sector Housing email: Email nick.costin@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk Tel: 0300 300 5219)</i></p>	<p>1. That the comments and recommendations of Overview and Scrutiny Committee, including the harmonisation of a 10% Council Tax discount for the whole of Central Bedfordshire, and responses of the consultation, be noted.</p>	<p>Portfolio Holder for Housing</p>	<p>Director of Social Care, Health and Housing</p>

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	<p>2. That the Empty Homes Strategy for Central Bedfordshire, attached as Appendix A to the submitted report, be approved.</p>		
<p>GAS MAINTENANCE AND SERVICE CONTRACT 2011 - 2014 <i>(Contact Officer: Basil Quinn, Housing Asset Manager Performance email: basil.quinn@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk Tel: 0300 300 5202)</i></p>	<p>That the Gas Maintenance and Service Contract 2011 – 2014 be awarded to Contractor E, as detailed in Exempt Appendix A of the submitted report.</p>	<p>Portfolio Holder for Housing</p>	<p>Director of Social Care, Health and Housing</p>
<p>LUDUN INDUSTRIES <i>(Contact Officer: Ed Thompson, Assistant Director, Adult Social Care email: ed.thompson@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk Tel: 0300 300 5146)</i></p>	<p>1. That the decision by the Trustees of LuDun to give the Council notice that they intend to close the factory in 12 months, or earlier if a date can be mutually agreed, be noted.</p> <p>2. That the Council co-operate with the Trustees of LuDun to achieve the objective to close the factory referred to in resolution 1 above.</p> <p>3. That the Director of Social Care, Health & Housing be authorised to enter into formal consultation with employees on the proposed closure of LuDun Industries.</p>	<p>Portfolio Holder for Social Care and Health</p>	<p>Director of Social Care, Health and Housing</p>

Date Issued:	4 November 2010	To:	All Members of the Council and Management Team
<p>NOTE: Recommendations of the Executive to the Council (shown in bold and italics) are NOT subject to call-in.</p>			