

CENTRAL BEDFORDSHIRE COUNCIL

THE EXECUTIVE  
Tuesday, 18 March 2014

DECISIONS DIGEST

THE CALL-IN DEADLINE FOR ANY ITEMS CONTAINED IN THIS DIGEST IS 5.00 P.M. ON **THURSDAY 27 MARCH 2014**. SUBJECT TO ANY CALL-IN REQUESTS BEING RECEIVED, ALL THE DECISIONS WILL BE ACTIONED ON OR AFTER **FRIDAY 28 MARCH 2014**.

DATE  
ISSUED/PUBLISHED  
20 March 2014

AGENDA ITEM NO./SUBJECT	DECISION	EXECUTIVE MEMBER	ACTIONING OFFICER
<b>FORWARD PLAN OF KEY DECISIONS</b> (Contact Officer: Sandra Hobbs, Committee Services Officer Email: <a href="mailto:sandra.hobbs@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk">sandra.hobbs@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk</a> Tel: 0300 300 5257)	That the Forward Plan of Key Decisions for the period 1 April 2014 to 31 March 2015 be noted.	Leader of the Council	Monitoring Officer
<b>ARLESEY CROSS MASTERPLAN</b> (Contact Officer: Sue Frost, Interim Local Planning and Housing Team Leader Email: <a href="mailto:sue.frost@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk">sue.frost@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk</a> Tel: 0300 300 4952)	That the Masterplan be endorsed and adopted as technical guidance for development management purposes.	Executive Member for Sustainable Communities - Strategic Planning and Economic Development	Director of Regeneration and Business Support

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<p><b>CENTRAL BEDFORDSHIRE COUNCIL PARK HOME SITE LICENSING FEES POLICY</b>            (Contact Officer: Terry Gilbey, Private Sector Housing Area Manager (North)            Email:  <a href="mailto:terry.gilbey@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk">terry.gilbey@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk</a>            Tel: 0300 300 4384)</p>	<p>That the Central Bedfordshire Council Park Home Site Licensing Fees Policy be adopted.</p>	<p>Executive Member for Social Care, Health and Housing</p>	<p>Director of Social Care, Health and Housing</p>
<p><b>LOCAL TRANSPORT PLAN PROGRAMME 2014/15</b>            (Contact Officer: Ben King, Principal Transport Planner - Transport Strategy Team            Email:  <a href="mailto:ben.king@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk">ben.king@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk</a>            Tel: 0300 300 4824)</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. That the Local Area Transport Plans (LATP) programmes for Leighton Linlade, Ampthill and Flitwick, Marston Vale, Shefford, Silsoe and Shillington, and Heath and Reach, Barton le Clay and Toddington in 2014/15 be endorsed.</li> <li>2. That the Rural Match Fund proposals to be implemented following a bidding process by Town and Parish Councils be endorsed.</li> <li>3. That the road safety financial allocation be endorsed.</li> <li>4. That the use of the “development fund” in 2014/15 be endorsed.</li> </ol>	<p>Executive Member for Sustainable Communities - Strategic Planning and Economic Development</p>	<p>Director of Regeneration and Business Support</p>
<p><b>LEISURE STRATEGY ADOPTION</b>            (Contact Officer: Jill Dickinson, Head of Leisure Services            Email:  <a href="mailto:jill.dickinson@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk">jill.dickinson@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk</a>            Tel: 0300 300 4258)</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. That the minor amendments to the adopted Leisure Strategy Chapter 1: the Leisure Facilities Strategy, following formal consultation, as required for adoption as technical guidance, be approved.</li> <li>2. That the process and proposed policy standards and facility recommendations of the Leisure Strategy, Chapters 2 and 3 be noted.</li> <li>3. That the Leisure Strategy (Chapters 1, 2 and 3) for Central Bedfordshire be adopted as technical guidance for development management purposes.</li> </ol>	<p>Executive Member for Sustainable Communities - Services</p>	<p>Community Services Director</p>

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<p><b>COMMUNITY SAFETY PARTNERSHIP PLAN 2014- 2015</b>            (Contact Officer: Joy Craven, CSP Manager            Email: <a href="mailto:joy.craven@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk">joy.craven@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk</a>            Tel: 0300 300 4649)</p>	<p><b>RESOLVED</b>            That the Strategic Assessment and the Community Safety Partnership Priorities be endorsed, as amended.  <b>RECOMMENDED to Council</b>  <b>That the Community Safety Partnership Plan 2014 – 2015 be adopted, as amended.</b></p>	<p>Executive Member for Sustainable Communities - Services</p>	<p>Community Services Director</p>
<p><b>CENTRAL BEDFORDSHIRE DESIGN GUIDE</b>            (Contact Officer: Connie Frost-Bryant, Acting Principal Planning Officer, Local Planning and Housing Team            Email: <a href="mailto:connie.frostbryant@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk">connie.frostbryant@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk</a>            Tel: 0300 300 4329)</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. That the proposed changes to the Design Guide be noted and that the revised Design Guide be adopted as technical guidance for development management purposes.</li> <li>2. To authorise the Director of Regeneration and Business Support, in consultation with the Executive Member for Sustainable Communities – Strategic Planning and Economic Development, to make any minor amendments to the revised Design Guide prior to publication.</li> <li>3. To authorise the Director of Regeneration and Business Support, in consultation with the Executive Member for Sustainable Communities - Strategic Planning and Economic Development, to alter the internal space standards set out in the revised Central Bedfordshire Design Guide paragraph 5.05 to take account of the national standards to be issued by the Government in response to the Housing Standards Review 2013; providing that they are not lower than 25% of the current standards.</li> </ol>	<p>Executive Member for Sustainable Communities - Strategic Planning and Economic Development</p>	<p>Director of Regeneration and Business Support</p>

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<p><b>DETERMINATION ON ADMISSION ARRANGEMENTS 2015/16</b>  <i>(Contact Officer: Rob Parsons, Head of School Organisation and Capital Planning</i>  <i>Email:</i>  <a href="mailto:rob.parsons@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk">rob.parsons@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk</a>  <i>Tel: 0300 300 5572)</i></p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. That the Council's co-ordinated admissions scheme, as attached at Appendices 1 and 2 to the report be approved.</li> <li>2. That the findings of the Annual Report of the Office of the Schools Adjudicator which has upheld over 20 objections to nursery criteria and how this can be unfair and disadvantageous to children as well as the two responses to the consultation which were not supportive regarding the inclusion of this criterion, be noted.</li> <li>3. That the proposed inclusion of the nursery criteria for Hawthorn Park and Tithe Farm Lower School will not be implemented in line with the responses and report of the Office of the Schools Adjudicator.</li> <li>4. That the conversion of lower catchment areas in Houghton Regis to Primary catchment areas, as set out in section 31 of the report, be noted.</li> <li>5. That the implementation of a catchment area for Greenleas Kestrel Way but not the inclusion of nursery criteria for this site as per the revised admissions policy for the school, as set out in sections 34 to 37 of the report be approved.</li> <li>6. That the implementation of a catchment area for the second site of St Andrews Lower School, Biggleswade, including the admissions policy, be approved.</li> <li>7. That the published admission number at Watling Lower School remain at 45 for admissions in the academic year of 2015/16.</li> </ol>	<p>Executive Member for Children's Services</p>	<p>Director of Children's Services</p>

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<p><b>WASTE PROCUREMENT STRATEGY</b>            (Contact Officer: Tracey Harris (Waste), Head of Waste Services            Email: <a href="mailto:tracey.harris@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk">tracey.harris@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk</a>            Tel: 0300 300 4646)</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. That the proposed approach to procuring the waste disposal services, as set out within the Executive report, be approved.</li> <li>2. That the development of the required waste facilities by the Authority, as set out within the Executive report, be approved.</li> </ol>	Executive Member for Sustainable Communities - Services	Community Services Director
<p><b>PROMOTER AND DEVELOPER FRAMEWORK</b>            (Contact Officer: David Cox, Chief Assets Officer            Email: <a href="mailto:david.cox@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk">david.cox@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk</a>            Tel: 0300 300 5474)</p>	<p>That the procurement of a promoter and developer framework to enable ready access to the necessary support for catalysing regeneration, delivering development and realising capital receipts be approved. Individual schemes which may be delivered by the framework may be over £500k. All schemes are funded via the Council's agreed Capital Programme.</p>	Deputy Leader and Executive Member for Corporate Resources	Director of Improvement and Corporate Services
<p><b>DECEMBER 2013 - QUARTER 3 REVENUE BUDGET MONITORING REPORT</b>            (Contact Officer: Charles Warboys, Chief Finance Officer            Email: <a href="mailto:charles.warboys@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk">charles.warboys@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk</a>            Tel: 0300 300 6147)</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. That the Revenue forecast position which is currently to overspend the budget by £0.4m be noted.</li> <li>2. To request officers to continue with their efforts to achieve a minimum balanced outturn or an underspend.</li> </ol>	Deputy Leader and Executive Member for Corporate Resources	Chief Finance Officer

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<p><b>DECEMBER 2013 - QUARTER 3 CAPITAL BUDGET MONITORING REPORT</b>            (Contact Officer: Charles Warboys, Chief Finance Officer            Email: <a href="mailto:charles.warboys@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk">charles.warboys@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk</a>            Tel: 0300 300 6147)</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. That the overall forecast position to spend £73.7m compared to the budget of £94.6m be noted. This is a variance of £20.9m as a result of an overspend of £4.4m and the proposed deferred spend to 2014/15 of £25.3m.</li> <li>2. To request officers to carefully examine their forecast spend to determine how realistic the proposals to defer spend into 2014/15 are.</li> </ol>	Deputy Leader and Executive Member for Corporate Resources	Chief Finance Officer
<p><b>DECEMBER 2013/14 (Q3) HOUSING REVENUE ACCOUNT BUDGET MONITORING REVENUE AND CAPITAL REPORT</b>            (Contact Officer: Charles Warboys, Chief Finance Officer            Email: <a href="mailto:charles.warboys@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk">charles.warboys@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk</a>            Tel: 0300 300 6147)</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. That the Revenue forecast position be approved to achieve a balanced budget with a contribution to Housing Revenue Account (HRA) Reserves of £7.282m, thus strengthening the Council's ability to invest and improve its stock of Council houses.</li> <li>2. That a year end spend of £3.120m be anticipated for the HRA capital programme, £2.125m of which relates to lower than budgeted spend on Priory View. At the current time, it is predicted that £2.000m will be spent on Priory View from the Extra Care Development Reserve. It is proposed that the underspend on Priory View will be carried forward as slippage to spend in the next financial year.</li> <li>3. That Right to Buy sales will be monitored for the possible impact on predicted surpluses in the medium to longer term.</li> </ol>	Deputy Leader and Executive Member for Corporate Resources	Chief Finance Officer
<p><b>QUARTER 3 PERFORMANCE REPORT</b>            (Contact Officer: Elaine Malarky, Head of Programmes &amp; Performance Management            Email: <a href="mailto:elaine.malarky@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk">elaine.malarky@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk</a> Tel: 0300 300 5517)</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. That the continuing overall good performance in Quarter 3 for the indicators being used to help support the monitoring of progress against the Medium Term Plan priorities be acknowledged.</li> <li>2. To recommend officers to further investigate and resolve underperforming indicators as appropriate.</li> </ol>	Deputy Leader and Executive Member for Corporate Resources	Chief Executive

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<p><b>STRATEGIC ECONOMIC PLAN FOR SOUTH EAST MIDLANDS LOCAL ENTERPRISE PARTNERSHIP</b>  <i>(Contact Officer: James Cushing, Economic Policy Manager</i>  <i>Email:</i>  <a href="mailto:james.cushing@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk">james.cushing@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk</a>  <i>Tel: 0300 300 4984)</i></p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. That the emerging South East Midlands Local Enterprise Partnership (SEMLEP) Strategic Economic Plan be endorsed.</li> <li>2. To authorise the Chief Executive, in consultation with the Leader of the Council, to agree on behalf of Central Bedfordshire Council the submission of the SEMLEP Strategic Economic Plan and Local Growth Deal negotiations.</li> </ol>	<p>Chairman of the Executive and Leader of the Council</p>	<p>Chief Executive</p>
<p><b>LAND EAST OF BIGGLESWADE</b>  <i>(Contact Officer: Andrew Gordon, Head of Estate Management</i>  <i>Email:</i>  <a href="mailto:andrew.gordon@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk">andrew.gordon@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk</a>  <i>Tel: 000 300 5882)</i></p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. That option 3 set out in Paragraph 24 of the Exempt Executive report be agreed.</li> <li>2. To authorise the Director of Improvement and Corporate Services, in consultation with the Deputy Leader and Executive Member for Corporate Resources, to take such steps necessary to protect the Council's interests and secure the maximum financial benefit.</li> </ol>	<p>Deputy Leader and Executive Member for Corporate Resources</p>	<p>Director of Improvement and Corporate Services</p>

Date Issued:	20 March 2014	To:	All Members of the Council and the Corporate Management Team
<p><b>NOTE: Recommendations of the Executive to the Council (shown in bold and italics) are NOT subject to call-in.</b></p>			