

CENTRAL BEDFORDSHIRE COUNCIL

THE EXECUTIVE  
Tuesday, 27 May 2014

DECISIONS DIGEST

THE CALL-IN DEADLINE FOR ANY ITEMS CONTAINED IN THIS DIGEST IS 5.00 P.M. ON **THURSDAY 5 JUNE 2014**. SUBJECT TO ANY CALL-IN REQUESTS BEING RECEIVED, ALL THE DECISIONS WILL BE ACTIONED ON OR AFTER **FRIDAY 6 JUNE 2014**.

DATE  
ISSUED/PUBLISHED  
29 May 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 May 2014 to 30 April 2015 be noted.	Leader of the Council	Monitoring Officer

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<p><b>DETERMINATION OF THE STATUTORY PROPOSAL OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF ASHTON CHURCH OF ENGLAND VOLUNTARY AIDED MIDDLE SCHOOL</b></p> <p><i>(Contact Officer: Helen Redding, Assistant Director School Improvement</i>  <i>Email: <a href="mailto:helen.redding@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk">helen.redding@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk</a></i>  <i>Tel: 0300 300 6057)</i></p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. That the procedures established by The Education and Inspections Act 2006 (EIA 2006) and The School Organisation (Prescribed Alterations to Maintained Schools) (England) Regulations 2013, have been complied with in bringing forward the proposal to change the age range of Ashton Church of England Voluntary Aided Middle School as outlined in the report and in the school's consultation document as attached at Appendix A to the report.</li> <li>2. That receipt of the representation on the 8 April 2014 at Appendix C to the report in respect of the proposal to make a prescribed alteration to change the age range of Ashton C of E VA Middle School and the statutory notice as set out in Appendix B to the report, issued on the 17 March 2014 under section 19(3), of the Education and Inspections Act 2006 be confirmed.</li> <li>3. That receipt of the business case dated 4 April 2014 attached at Appendix D to the report submitted by the Governing Body of Ashton Church of England Voluntary Aided Middle School outlining its support and rationale for the proposal to change the age range of Ashton Church of England Voluntary Aided Middle School as outlined in the report be confirmed.</li> <li>4. That the statutory proposal (Appendix B) published by the Governing Body of Ashton C of E VA Middle School on 17 March 2014, to change the age range of Ashton C of E VA Middle School, the linked Prescribed Alterations (Appendix A) and the current business case (Appendix D) and the statutory proposal for the reasons set out in paragraph 76 of the report be rejected.</li> </ol>	<p>Executive Member for Children's Services</p>	<p>Director of Children's Services</p>

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<p><b>CONSIDERATION OF THE OUTCOME OF STATUTORY CONSULTATIONS OF PROPOSALS TO CLOSE BREWERS HILL COMMUNITY MIDDLE SCHOOL, STREETFIELD COMMUNITY MIDDLE SCHOOL AND ASHTON CHURCH OF ENGLAND (C OF E) VOLUNTARY AIDED (VA) MIDDLE SCHOOL IN AUGUST 2016.</b></p> <p><i>(Contact Officer: Helen Redding, Assistant Director School Improvement</i>  <i>Email: <a href="mailto:helen.redding@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk">helen.redding@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk</a></i>  <i>Tel: 0300 300 6057)</i></p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. That the publication of statutory notices and final representation period to close Brewers Hill Community Middle School in Dunstable, phased from September 2015, with final implementation in August 2016 be progressed.</li> <li>2. That the publication of statutory notices and final representation period to close Streetfield Community Middle School in Dunstable, phased from September 2015, with final implementation in August 2016 be progressed.</li> <li>3. That the publication of statutory notices and final representation period to close Ashton Church of England Voluntary Aided Middle School in Dunstable, phased from September 2015, with final implementation in August 2016 be progressed.</li> </ol>	Executive Member for Children's Services	Director of Children's Services
<p><b>DEVELOPING THE EARLY INTERVENTION OFFER THROUGH CHILDREN'S CENTRES</b></p> <p><i>(Contact Officer: Sue Tyler, Head of Child Poverty and Early Intervention</i>  <i>Email: <a href="mailto:sue.tyler@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk">sue.tyler@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk</a></i>  <i>Tel: 0300 300 6553)</i></p>	That the commencement of the consultation process, based on the four potential models, as set out in the report be approved.	Executive Member for Children's Services	Director of Children's Services

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<p><b>DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY - REVISED PRE-SUBMISSION VERSION</b>            (Contact Officer: Richard Fox, Head of Development Planning and Housing Strategy            Email: <a href="mailto:richard.fox@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk">richard.fox@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk</a>            Tel: 0300 300 4105)</p>	<p><b><i>RECOMMENDED to Council</i></b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b><i>That the draft revised Pre-Submission Development Strategy attached at Appendix A to the Executive report be approved for the purposes of Publication and Submission to the Secretary of State.</i></b></li> <li><b><i>To authorise the Director of Regeneration and Business, in consultation with the Executive Member for Regeneration, to make any minor amendments to the Development Strategy:</i></b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b><i>prior to Publication;</i></b></li> <li><b><i>after Publication but before Submission; and</i></b></li> <li><b><i>during the Examination process.</i></b></li> </ol> </li> </ol> <p><b>RESOLVED</b></p> <p>That the draft revised Pre-submission Development Strategy, be endorsed for Development Management guidance purposes for use in the south of Central Bedfordshire prior to its formal adoption*.</p> <p><i>*In the north of Central Bedfordshire the existing adopted documents will continue to be used.</i></p>	Executive Member for Regeneration	Director of Regeneration and Business
<p><b>PLAN-MAKING PROGRAMME - THE LOCAL DEVELOPMENT SCHEME</b>            (Contact Officer: Richard Fox, Head of Development Planning and Housing Strategy            Email: <a href="mailto:richard.fox@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk">richard.fox@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk</a>            Tel: 0300 300 4105)</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>That the preparation of the three Local Plans (Development Strategy, Gypsy and Traveller Local Plan and Allocations Local Plan) and other associated documents be supported.</li> <li>That the programme of plan-making, attached at Appendix A to the report, that sets out the formal Local Development Scheme for the whole of Central Bedfordshire be approved.</li> </ol>	Executive Member for Regeneration	Director of Regeneration and Business

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<p><b>LOCAL DEVELOPMENT ORDER FOR WOODSIDE INDUSTRIAL ESTATE, DUNSTABLE</b>  <i>(Contact Officer: Matt Pyecroft, Major Projects Officer</i>  <i>Email:</i>  <a href="mailto:matt.pyecroft@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk">matt.pyecroft@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk</a>  <i>Tel: 0300 300 5588)</i></p>	<p>That the proposed Local Development Order (LDO) for the Woodside Estate and surrounding area in Dunstable be adopted, in order to assist businesses and contribute towards economic and employment growth in the area.</p>	<p>Executive Member for Regeneration</p>	<p>Director of Regeneration and Business</p>
<p><b>STRATEGY FOR NORTH OF LUTON</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: 0300 300 5882)</i></p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. That the Council as Landowner, actively participates within the North of Luton Consortium to support the Framework Plan and strategic allocation in the Council's emerging Development Strategy and continues through to at least public examination (estimated by 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter 2015).</li> <li>2. That the spending allocated in the Capital Programme 2014/15 of up to £125k to enable commitment to a Planning Performance Agreement with the consortium and to achieve a Framework Plan for the site and to enter into a collaboration agreement to bring forward development within the timescales identified in the emerging Development Strategy be approved.</li> <li>3. To authorise the Director of Regeneration and Business, in consultation with the Director of Improvement and Corporate Services, the Deputy Leader and Executive Member for Corporate Resources and Executive Member for Regeneration to monitor progress, evaluate emerging options and take appropriate actions to sustain the corporate interests of the Council.</li> </ol>	<p>Deputy Leader and Executive Member for Corporate Resources</p>	<p>Director of Regeneration and Business, Director of Improvement and Corporate Services</p>

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<b>DEVELOPMENT BRIEF - LAND AT POTTON ROAD, BIGGLESWADE</b> (Contact Officer: Carry Murphy, Principal Planning Officer Email: <a href="mailto:carry.murphy@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk">carry.murphy@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk</a> Tel: 0300 300 4374)	That the development brief for Land at Potton Road, Biggleswade be adopted as technical guidance for development management purposes.	Executive Member for Regeneration	Director of Regeneration and Business
<b>PLANNING GUIDANCE NOTE ON SOLAR FARM DEVELOPMENT IN CENTRAL BEDFORDSHIRE</b> (Contact Officer: Stephen Mooring, Environmental Policy Manager Email: <a href="mailto:stephen.mooring@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk">stephen.mooring@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk</a> Tel: 0300 300 6241)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. That the guidance note on solar farm development in Central Bedfordshire, as amended, be adopted as technical guidance for development management purposes.</li> <li>2. To authorise the Director of Regeneration and Business, in consultation with the Executive Member for Regeneration, to make minor amendments to the technical guidance note prior to its publication.</li> </ol>	Executive Member for Community Services	Director of Regeneration and Business
<b>SUPERFAST BROADBAND EXTENSION PROGRAMME</b> (Contact Officer: James Cushing, Economic Policy Manager Email: <a href="mailto:james.cushing@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk">james.cushing@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk</a> Tel: 0300 300 4984)	<p><b>RECOMMENDED to Council</b></p> <p><b><i>That an additional £500,000 capital funding to fully match Broadband Delivery UK (BDUK) allocations for the delivery of superfast broadband infrastructure be approved.</i></b></p> <p><b>RESOLVED</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. That the use of the BDUK procurement framework to select a private partner to put in place necessary infrastructure to deliver at least 95% superfast coverage (speeds of at least 24 megabits per second) and ensure access to infrastructure able to provide at least 2 Megabits per second to all premises be approved.</li> </ol>	Executive Member for Regeneration	Director of Regeneration and Business

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	<p>3. That the local procurement priority, to maximise total coverage, and subject to this, seek to achieve a balance of residential and business premise coverage and to seek to achieve a reasonable geographic spread, taking into account local demand, demonstrated through responses to the Broadband survey be approved.</p> <p>4. To authorise the Director of Regeneration and Business, in consultation with the Executive Member for Regeneration and Deputy Executive Member for Corporate Resources, to select the contractor based on any priorities the Council sets and the successful completion of the BDUK procurement process and sign and vary the contract if additional resources are secured during the lifetime of the contract.</p> <p>5. To authorise the Deputy Executive Member for Corporate Resources, in consultation with the Executive Member for Regeneration, to represent the Council through the Superfast Extension Programme.</p> <p>6. That the Council's continued participation with the existing partnership arrangements, updating the collaboration agreement as required be approved. Furthermore, that the Deputy Executive Member for Corporate Resources, in consultation with the Director of Regeneration and Business , approves any proposed changes to the membership and terms of reference to the partnership.</p>		

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<p><b>HOUSING ALLOCATIONS POLICY FOR CENTRAL BEDFORDSHIRE</b>  <i>(Contact Officer: Tony Keaveney, Assistant Director Housing Services</i>  <i>Email: <a href="mailto:nick.costin@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk">nick.costin@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk</a></i>  <i>Tel: 0300 300 5219)</i></p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. That the Central Bedfordshire Housing Allocations Policy, attached at Appendix 1 to the report, be adopted as the Allocation Scheme for social housing in Central Bedfordshire.</li> <li>2. To authorise the Director of Social Care, Health and Housing, in consultation with the Executive Member for Social Care, Health and Housing to: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2.1 allocate social housing in accordance with the Housing Allocations Policy, at such time as the Policy can be implemented successfully;</li> <li>2.2 amend or vary the detailed wording of the Housing Allocations Policy, where to do so does not change the strategic intent or overarching aims of the policy, so as to ensure the Policy is and remains effective in operational terms, to achieve the Policy objectives;</li> <li>2.3 consult for four weeks on the specific proposal that Older People should have priority for a home in close proximity to where they live, to then decide either to retain, modify or remove this specific policy, having taken into account the views of the stakeholders and the public;</li> <li>2.4 develop and implement on an annual basis, a Lettings Plan that is aligned to the aims and intent of the Housing Allocations Policy; and</li> <li>2.5 develop and implement monitoring arrangements to ensure that the aims of the Policy are achieved and to support the Council's duty to promote Equality, in line with the mitigations set out in the Equalities Impact Assessment.</li> </ol> </li> </ol>	Executive Member for Social Care, Health and Housing	Director of Regeneration and Business



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<b>STRATTON PHASES 4 AND 5</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: 0300 300 5882)</i>	To authorise the Director of Improvement and Corporate Services, in consultation with the Deputy Leader and Executive Member for Corporate Resources, to negotiate an exit of the Contractor from Stratton 4 on the best available terms, whether they be cash or land settlement.	Deputy Leader and Executive Member for Corporate Resources	Director of Improvement and Corporate Services

Date Issued:	29 May 2014	To:	All Members of the Council and the Corporate Management Team
	<b>NOTE: Recommendations of the Executive to the Council (shown in bold and italics) are NOT subject to call-in.</b>		