

Report of Executive Decisions

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This report is submitted for information and summarises decisions taken by the District Executive and Portfolio Holders since the last meeting of Council in May 2018. The decisions are set out in the attached Appendix.

Members are invited to ask any questions of the Portfolio Holders.

Background Papers

All Published

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Appendix

Portfolio	Subject	Decision	Taken By	Date
Legal and Finance	Review of the Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act 2000 (RIPA)	District Executive agreed to:- a. note the Council's use of RIPA powers. b. approve and adopt the revised Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act 2000 Policy and Procedures Guide attached at Appendix 1 of the agenda report.	District Executive	07/06/18
Property, Climate Change & Income Regeneration	Establishing Special Purpose Vehicles for SSDC Investments	District Executive:- a. Agreed in principle to the setting up of limited companies and/or limited liability partnerships where these are required to discharge Council functions and comply with the approved IAG governance for investments and income generation projects that are either, commercially sensitive, include confidential matters or are time-limited. b. Delegated authority to the Chief Executive in consultation with the Council Leader as part of the Investment Assessment Group (IAG) approval process to give effect to a decision to set up such companies or partnerships, including but not limited to: - selecting a company/LLP name - approving Articles of Association - approving Shareholder or Partnership Agreements - appointing individuals to positions of responsibility within the company or LLP Recommend to Full Council that Part 3 Section 4 of the Constitution be updated to identify that such matters are the responsibility of District Executive but to reflect the above delegation.	District Executive	07/06/18
Income Generation, Climate Change & Property	Commercial Strategy and Investments Progress Report	District Executive noted the progress in delivering the Commercial Strategy and in particular, the acquisition of commercial investments and in securing income from our existing assets.	District Executive	07/06/18
Strategy & Policy	Affordable Housing Development Programme: South Street, Crewkerne	The Portfolio Holder for Strategy and Policy has approved the allocation of £350,000 grant subsidy from the Affordable Housing Development Programme unallocated general reserve, to Magna Housing Association towards the proposed scheme on the site of St Peters Church, South Street, Crewkerne	Portfolio Holder	08/06/18

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		subject to obtaining appropriate reserved matters planning permission including one larger property of at least four bedrooms.		
Strategy & Policy	Request for Early Release of Pension Benefits (Confidential)	The Portfolio Holder for Strategy & Policy has agreed:- i. To allocate the Executive Decision to waive the actuarial reduction to Councillor Ric Pallister; ii. To waive the actuarial reduction and grant the request for early release of pension on compassionate grounds due to the loss of the former staff member's partner and the associated challenges and emotional impact.	Portfolio Holder	22/06/18
Strategic Planning	Dualling of the A303 from Sparkford to Ilchester	That District Executive noted the report and its contents, and reviewed and approved:- a. The Statement of in Principle Support for the scheme to be submitted to Highways England (Appendix 1). b. The principle of the Council entering into a Planning Performance Agreement with Highways England, the detail and completion to be delegated to Lead Specialist – Strategy and Commissioning. c. That £100,000 is allocated from estimated revenue underspends in 2018/19, under-written by general balances, to resource the Council's involvement in this project. d. The Scheme of Delegation for the Council's input into the Development Consent Order process.	District Executive	05/07/18
Strategy and Policy	Affordable Housing Development Programme	District Executive:- a. Noted the affordable housing development programme outcomes to date; b. Agreed to withdraw the award of £396,661 grant to Yarlinton for the proposed scheme at Misterton in the event that suitable planning permission is not in place before 5th July 2019.	District Executive	05/07/18
Strategy and Policy	Private Sector Housing Enforcement Policy and associated charges	District Executive agreed and adopted the attached Private Sector Housing Enforcement Policy in Appendix 1 and agreed the charges in the following Appendices:- a. Appendix 1.1 Charging Policy for Private Sector Housing Enforcement Services b. Appendix 1.2 Civil Penalties Policy for Private Sector Housing Related Offences c. Appendix 1.3 Statement of Principles for determining a penalty charge for offences under the Smoke and Carbon Monoxide Alarm Regulations 2015	District Executive	05/07/18

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		and related legislation		
Leisure and Culture	Adoption of the South Somerset Playing Pitch Strategy 2017-2028	District Executive:- a. Formally adopted the new South Somerset Playing Pitch Strategy 2017 – 2028 b. Adopted the revised standards for playing pitch and changing room provision outlined in the Agenda report		05/07/18
Finance and Legal Services	Capital Budget Outturn Report for 2017/18	District Executive:- a. noted the content of the report including the net spend of £16.424m on capital schemes during 2017/18; and small variance of only £4K underspend across 33 completed schemes. b. approved the revised Capital Programme spend as detailed in paragraph 10.	District Executive	05/07/18
Strategy and Policy	SSDC Annual Performance Report 2017-18	District Executive noted the 2017/18 performance information at Appendix A.	District Executive	05/07/18
Transformation	SSDC Transformation Programme – Progress Report	District Executive:- a. noted and commented on the report. b. approved the transfer of £250,000 from the capital programme reserve schemes to fund necessary alterations to Petters House as detailed in this report.	District Executive	05/07/18
Finance and Legal Services	Revenue Budget Outturn Report for 2017/18	District Executive:- a. noted the net spending for the year of £17,318,942, an underspend of £663,318 (3.7%) compared to final budget, and explanations of variances from budget holders for the 2017/18 financial year as shown in paragraphs 7-10; b. approved budget carry forwards of £118,648 into the 2018/19 budgets (as shown in Appendix B); c. approved the transfer of £646,103 to the Transformation Reserve as detailed in paragraph 18; d. approved individual service overspends are funded from general balances and the net underspend of £544,670 after carry forwards are returned to general balances; e. noted the use of the specific reserves in paragraph 26 and the transfers to and from balances outlined in the General Fund table at paragraph 28;	District Executive	05/07/18

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		f. noted the position of the Area Committee balances in paragraph 31; g. approved the virements in paragraph 36 and note the virements in Appendix F.		
Leisure and Culture	Purchase of Land at Ham Hill Country Park (Confidential)	District Executive approved the recommendations of the report.	District Executive	05/07/18
Strategy and Policy	Notification of an Urgent Executive Decision: Battery Project – Establishing a Special Purpose Vehicle (Confidential)	District Executive noted that the Leader of Council had taken urgent executive decisions according to the provisions of Part 3, Section 4, subsection 2a and, Part 3, Section 6, subsection 4 of the Constitution, relating to the Battery Project - Establishing a Special Purpose Vehicle.	District Executive	05/07/18