

LEADER'S PORTFOLIO MEETING

MONDAY, 23 JANUARY 2012

DECISIONS

Set out below is a summary of the decisions taken at the Leader's Portfolio Meeting held on Monday, 23 January 2012. Decisions made by the Portfolio Holder will be subject to call-in. Recommendations made to the Cabinet or to the Council are not subject to call-in. The wording used does not necessarily reflect the actual wording that will appear in the minutes.

If you have any queries about any matters referred to in this decision sheet please contact Patrick Adams.

1. CAPITAL AND REVENUE ESTIMATES 2012/13

The Leader

RECOMMENDED TO CABINET The revenue and capital estimates for 2012/13 and the Capital Programme up to 2016/17, relating to services within the Leader's Portfolio.

AGREED The Capital Expenditure Proposal Form relating to Community Grants for inclusion in the Capital Programme.

Other Options Considered: To refuse to endorse the estimates or to suggest amendments to Cabinet.

Reason For Decision: The draft estimates for all the services of the Council need to be considered and endorsed by the relevant portfolio holders, in order to be collated and presented to Cabinet on 9 February 2012.

2. MELBOURN PARISH PLAN

The Leader **AGREED** the Melbourn Parish Plan as presented at the meeting.

Other Options Considered: Not to approve the Plan.

Reason For Decision: To support this timely community-led initiative and consider ways in which the Council can support its objectives.

3. APPOINTMENTS TO CAMBRIDGESHIRE JOINT STRATEGIC PLANNING BOARD

It was noted that the Council had three positions on this Board: two Conservative members and one Liberal Democrat. The Leader

AGREED To appoint Councillors Ray Manning and Tim Wotherspoon to the Cambridgeshire Joint Strategic Planning Board, with Councillors Nick Wright and Peter Topping as substitutes.

The Leader requested that the Liberal Democrat announce their nomination to the Board at the next meeting of Council.

Other Options Considered: Not to appoint members to the Board.

Reason For Decision: To ensure that the Council is represented on the Cambridgeshire Joint Strategic Planning Board.

4. GRANTS REVIEW PROCESS

The Leader

AGREED to the proposal for streamlining the Council's existing grant schemes as outlined in the report for implementation from April 2012.

Other Options Considered: To either not agree the proposal or suggest an alternative proposal.

Reason For Decision: To improve the streamlining of grants allocated to individuals, voluntary and community organisations and parish councils to avoid duplication of awards and ensure the Council's aims are met through the support of local projects.