

COUNCIL

THURSDAY, 26 SEPTEMBER 2013

DECISIONS

Set out below is a summary of the decisions taken at the meeting of the Council held on Thursday, 26 September 2013. 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.

ASSET MANAGEMENT POLICY (HOUSING PORTFOLIO HOLDER MEETING, 1 AUGUST 2013)

Council

AGREED The adoption of the new Housing Revenue Account Asset Sustainability Policy (Disposals and Acquisitions), as set out in Appendix A of the report, with delegated authority being given to the Housing Portfolio Holder to make minor amendments relating to clarification and grammatical corrections.

FILMING OF PUBLIC MEETINGS (CIVIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE, 20 SEPTEMBER 2013)

Council

AGREED

To allow members of the public to film its public meetings in accordance with newly published guidance by the Department of Communities and Local Government entitled "Your council's cabinet – going to its meetings, seeing how it works".

That Standing Order 21.4 of the Council's Constitution (Recording of Business) be amended to read: -

"The recording in any format of any meeting of the Council, the Executive, or any committee or sub-committee of the Council or the Executive, is permitted, except: -

- a) Where the Chairman, or person presiding the meeting, rules that filming is being undertaken in such a way that it is disruptive or distracting to the good order and conduct of the meeting.
- b) Where the public have been excluded from the meeting in accordance with the Council's Access to Information Procedure Rules (Rule 10) during the consideration of exempt or confidential information."

Council further

AGREED That the matter of whether the Council should film or broadcast its own meetings should be referred to the Corporate and Customer Services Portfolio holder.

LOCALISED COUNCIL TAX SUPPORT SCHEME 2013/14: REVIEW OF OPERATION (CABINET, 12 SEPTEMBER 2013)

Council

AGREED To continue with the current Localised Council Tax Support Scheme for 2014/15.

MILTON AND WHADDON: IMPROVING EXISTING GYPSY AND TRAVELLER ACCOMMODATION (CABINET, 12 SEPTEMBER 2013)

Council

AGREED That an initial financial contribution of up to £900,000 be established to achieve the transactions below, on a business case, with the Council investment being recovered through the income collected from the sites:

- i. The acquisition of sites at Fen Road and Blackwell, Milton and New Farm, Whaddon
- ii. The allocation of funds to refurbish the site at New Farm, Whaddon, to include the addition of two further pitches.
- iii. The purchase of the site at Fen Road, Milton.

Council further

AGREED the delegation on the final decision to the Section 151 Officer in consultation with the Finance and Staffing Portfolio Holder pending the completion of a full detailed business case that demonstrates financial viability.