

ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES PORTFOLIO HOLDER'S MEETING

TUESDAY, 24 MARCH 2009

DECISIONS

Set out below is a summary of the recommendations made at the meeting of the Environmental Services Portfolio Holder's Meeting held on Tuesday, 24 March 2009. 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 recommendation summary please contact Maggie Jennings.

1. **AWARDED WATERCOURSES - NEW CONTRACT**

The Environmental Services Portfolio Holder

- (a) approved the tender documents attached to the report for tendering,
- (b) invited the Contractors listed in the confidential appendix to tender for the works, and
- (c) noted the timetable for the tendering and evaluation process to be undertaken.

2. **GOVERNMENT GRANTS FOR HOUSEHOLD-LEVEL FLOOD RISK MITIGATION**

The Environmental Services Portfolio Holder

- (a) endorsed the proposal that the Council should apply to obtain funding for property-level survey work and appropriate property protection and resilience measures under the Government's grant scheme,
- (b) agreed that, in order to enhance the application for funding, the Council should use the *South Cambs Magazine* as one method of communication demonstrating community engagement on flooding issues and of obtaining evidence of flooding from residents who historically had been affected by river or surface water flooding, and
- (c) instructed officers to contact parish councils and local Members in order to provide further evidence in support of the Council's application.

3. **SERVICE PLANS 2009/10 TO 2011/12**

The Environmental Services Portfolio Holder approved the Health and Environmental Services Service Plan for the period from 2009-10 to 2011-12.

4. **MEMBER TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME 2009-2010**

The Environmental Services Portfolio Holder

- (1) noted the results of the 2008 survey of Members' training and development needs, as summarised in Appendix A;
- (2) approved the following:
 - (a) the Member Training and Development Programme for 2009-2010 attached at Appendix B;
 - (b) the draft criteria for responding to requests for councillor training

- attached at Appendix C; and
 - (c) The draft pre- and post-course evaluation form attached at Appendix D; and
- (3) designated the Executive Director for Finance and Support Services as champion for Member Training and Development and following their appointment, the duties of the champion in the interim being undertaken by the Democratic Services Manager.

