

# HUNTINGDONSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

## CABINET

THURSDAY, 15 SEPTEMBER 2005

### DECISION SHEET

**PRESENT:** I C Bates, Mrs J Chandler, N J Guyatt, A Hansard, Mrs P J Longford, Mrs D C Reynolds,  
T V Rogers and L M Simpson  
**APOLOGIES:** D P Holley

ITEM NO.	SUBJECT	CONTACT OFFICER
1	<p><b>CONSULTATION ON CHANGES TO THE WAY THE GOVERNMENT PROVIDES FINANCIAL SUPPORT TO LOCAL AUTHORITIES</b></p> <p>Authorised the Director of Commerce and Technology to respond to the Government's proposals for changing the way financial support to Local authorities is calculated, after consultation with the Executive Councillor for Finance.</p>	S Couper 388103
2	<p><b>FINANCIAL STRATEGY</b></p> <p>Recommended to full Council that a decision on the Financial Strategy be deferred until the winter cycle of meetings to enable further information to be considered.</p>	S Couper 388103
3	<p><b>REVENUE OUTTURN 2004/05</b></p> <p>Noted the level of net outturn expenditure in the sum of £14,556 million as at 31<sup>st</sup> March 2005 and details of expenditure carried forward to the current year.</p>	S Couper 388103
4	<p><b>TREASURY MANAGEMENT INVESTMENT PERFORMANCE</b></p> <p>Reviewed the respective levels of performance achieved during the quarter 1<sup>st</sup> April to 30<sup>th</sup> June 2005 by three external fund managers in the matter of investment of the Council's capital receipts.</p>	S Couper 388103
5	<p><b>PERFORMANCE MONITORING</b></p> <p>Noted progress achieved by the Council against targets within the Corporate Plan – Growing Success during the period April to June 2005.</p>	

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(a)	<p><b>COMPREHENSIVE PERFORMANCE ASSESSMENT: USE OF RESOURCES</b></p> <p>Authorised the Chief Executive, after consultation with either the Leader of the Council or Deputy Leader of the Council, to approve and submit the District Council's Use of Resources - Value for Money self-assessment to the Audit Commission.</p>	I Leatherbarrow 388005
6	<p><b>Ageing well in Huntingdonshire - Older Peoples Housing, Health and Social Care Strategy</b></p> <p>Approved the contents of the Older Peoples' Health, Housing and Social Care Strategy together with the associated action plan</p>	J Barrett 388203
7	<p><b>Street Naming and Numbering - Service Standards</b></p> <p>reviewed progress of the asset survey on street nameplates and the repair of damaged plates from existing budgets , agreed, subject to the agreement of the relevant Parish Council, that action be undertaken to resolve the problems of inconsistent names between common use and the National Street Gazetteer; and retained the Council's existing policy of not numbering properties in villages where established practices is for households to provide house names</p>	C Allen 388380
8	<p><b>Draft Statement of Community Involvement</b></p> <p>approved the draft Statement of Community Involvement for the purpose of public consultation.</p>	Dr M Bingham 388431
9	<p><b>URBAN DESIGN FRAMEWORK - LONGSANDS QUARTER</b></p> <p>Approved the contents of a draft Urban Design Framework for land in and around Longsands College, the Regional College, the site of the open air swimming pool, the Almond Road surgery and Health Centre in St Neots, for further discussion and consultation.</p>	R Probyn 388430
10	<p><b>DESIGN GUIDANCE - CAR COURTS - A GUIDE FOR DESIGNERS</b></p> <p>Approved the contents of the design guidance for car courts</p>	R Probyn 388430

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	as Council policy.	
11	<p><b>Development Brief - The Grand Cinema, Ramsey</b></p> <p>Approved the contents of a draft design brief for the Grand Cinema, Ramsey.as a basis for further discussion and consultation.</p>	C Surfleet 388476
12	<p><b>Huntingdonshire Big Gig</b></p> <p>Agreed that no future Big Gig events be organised by the District Council.</p>	P Jones 388202
13	<p><b>ASSET MANAGEMENT PLAN - PROGRESS REPORT</b></p> <p>Authorised the Director of Operational Services, after consultation with the Executive Councillor for Resources and Policy, to accept new assets, including sustainable urban drainage systems, where they are accompanied by satisfactory financial and management arrangements; and the Director of Central Services to accept the transfer of amenity land, currently maintained but not owned by the District Council.</p>	R Preston 388340 K Phillips 388260
14	<p><b>CITIZENS ADVICE BUREAU, ST. NEOTS</b></p> <p>Authorised the Executive Director of Central Services, after consultation with the Executive Member for Resources and Policy, to approve arrangements for the Council to act as guarantor of a lease of premises in New Street, St Neots to the Citizens Advice Bureau.</p>	K Phillips 388260
15	<p><b>PUBLIC CONVENIENCES ADVISORY GROUP - APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS</b></p> <p>RESOLVED</p> <p>that Councillor Bates, Mrs Chandler, Guyatt and Mrs Longford be appointed to serve on the Public Conveniences Advisory Group for the remainder of the Municipal Year.</p>	Mrs H Taylor 388008
16	<p><b>Headquarters and Other Accommodation - Initial Tender Evaluation</b></p> <p>Noted the outcome of the initial evaluation of tenders for the Council's future office and accommodation requirements; Recommended to full Council that the tenders from the two</p>	Mrs E Wilson 388301

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	<p>companies referred to in paragraph 5.5 of the report be included in the final evaluation;</p> <p>subject to the above, authorised the Chief Executive to notify the remaining unsuccessful company that their bid would not be given further consideration;</p> <p>authorised the Director of Operational Services, after consultation with the Deputy Leader, to agree payments as necessary, but not exceeding £20,000, to each of two companies to support the presentation of more detailed information; and</p> <p>agreed that the final decision on the proposed awarding of a contract and consequential changes to the Medium Term Plan be made by full Council at the meeting on 7<sup>th</sup> December 2005.</p>	