## **HUNTINGDONSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL**

## **CABINET**

## **THURSDAY, 11 FEBRUARY 2010**

## **DECISION SHEET**

 ${\sf K}$  J Churchill, D B Dew, J A Gray, A Hansard, C R Hyams, Mrs D C Reynolds, T V Rogers and L M Simpson PRESENT:

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| 1        | Minutes   |                        |
|          | The Minutes of the meeting of the Cabinet held on 21st January 2010 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.   | Mrs H Taylor<br>388008 |
| 2        | Members' Interests  |                        |
|          | No declarations were received.  |                        |
| 3        | Financial Strategy, Medium Term Plan 2011 to 2015 and the 2010/11 Budget  |                        |
|          | Recommended the proposed budget, Medium Term Plan and Financial Strategy to Council for approval; recommended an increase of £3.02 (2.5%) in Council Tax, representing a level of £124.17 for Band D properties for 2010/2011 be approved; and that the Director of Commerce and Technology, after consultation with the Leader, Executive Councillor for Finance and the relevant Chief Officers, be authorised to manage the special reserve. | S Couper<br>388103     |
| 4        | Treasury Management Strategy 2010/11  |                        |
|          | recommended to the Council that the following be approved; the Treasury Management Strategy for 2010/2011, the Treasury Management Indicators and Prudential Indicators for 2010/2011; and the scrutiny of Treasury Management be undertaken by the Overview and Scrutiny (Economic Well-Being) Panel.  | S Couper<br>388103     |
| 5        | Car Parking Review 2009   |                        |
|          | Agreed to include the provision of 38 spaces offering 2 hours free parking in a demarcated area at Riverside Car Park, St. Neots as part of a revised Off-Street Parking  | S Bell<br>388387       |

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|          | Places Order 2010 for planned implementation on 1st June 2010, requested the Members Car Parking Working Group to consider those issues raised by the Overview and Scrutiny (Environmental Well-Being) Panel and the promotion of environmental issues at the end of the statutory consultation period; and authorised the Director of Environment and Community Services, after consultation with Executive Councillor for Planning Strategy and Transport, to make and confirm Off-Street Parking Places Orders in future years involving any changes of minor significance and reviews of charges in line with inflation.   |                        |
| 6        | Local Development Scheme Revision  |                        |
|          | Endorsed the content of a revised Local Development Scheme for Huntingdonshire for submission to the Secretary of State and authorised the Head of Planning Services, after consultation with the Executive Councillor for Planning Strategy and Transport, to make any minor changes to the draft Local Development Scheme, as he considers necessary following informal consultation with Go-East.   | R Probyn<br>388430     |
| 7        | Development Management Submission Document   |                        |
|          | noted the content of the proposed submission document for Development Management along with the responses received on the proposals set out in a Statement of Consultation and recommended its approval to Council. Also recommended to Council that authority be given to the Head of Planning Services, after consultation with the Executive Councillor for Planning Strategy and Transport, to make any minor textual amendments to the documents and to approve the Statement of Consultation, Sustainability Appraisal, Habitat Regulations Assessment and Equality Impact Assessment prior to publication; and to complete the final submission for Development Management DPD and associated documents including a summary of the main issues raised in final representations and to submit these to the Secretary of State. | R Probyn<br>388430     |
| 8        | National non domestic rates - discretionary rate relief under the local government finance act 1988 (as amended)   |                        |
|          | Approved the proposed discretionary rate relief policy for applications relating to 2010/2011 onwards; agreed to review the rateable value mentioned in the policy every five years on the occasion of the new ratings lists, authorised the Head of Revenue Services and the Local Taxation Manager to grant relief under the policy, agreed to optimise "Part Occupation" relief (S44a) in appropriate cases for a maximum of twelve months, subject to prevailing legislation   | Mrs J Barber<br>388105 |

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|          | on unoccupied rating, agreed that "Rural Rate Relief (S47) continue to be granted in appropriate cases, subject to the Rural Settlement List with a provision of 100% relief for rural post offices; authorised the Head of Customer Services, after consultation with the Executive Member for Finance, to grant "Hardship Relief" (S49) on the merits of individual cases; and authorised the Director of Commerce and Technology to deal with appeals from applicants dissatisfied with the determination made by the Head of Revenue Services and the Local Taxation Manager. |                        |
| 9        | Mini recycling sites (bring sites)  |                        |
|          | Noted revised working arrangements for moving 1,000 litre wheeled bins at bring sites.  | R Ward<br>388635       |
| 10       | St Neots Eastern Expansion  |                        |
|          | Noted proposed governance arrangements required to support the master planning process from the St. Neots Eastern Expansion and the development of a project members steering group. Delegated the appointment of four Members to the Steering Group to the Chief Executive, after consultation with the Deputy Leader of the Council.  | M Huntington<br>388404 |