

# HUNTINGDONSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

## CABINET

THURSDAY, 13 DECEMBER 2012

### DECISION SHEET

**PRESENT:** J D Ablewhite, B S Chapman, J A Gray, N J Guyatt and D M Tysoe

ITEM NO.	SUBJECT	CONTACT OFFICER
1	<b>Safeguarding Policy</b>  Approved the contents of the Safeguarding Policy	C Davidson (01480) 387801
2	<b>Update 2013/14 Budget and Medium Term Plan</b>  Recommended the draft Medium Term Plan to Council as the basis of the development for the 2013/2014 budget and the revised Medium Term Plan.	S Couper 388103
3	<b>Treasury Management review of performance</b>  Recommended the report of the Head of Financial Services, which reviewed the respective levels of performance achieved during April to September 2012 by external fund managers in the matter of investment of the Council's Capital Receipts to Council and agreed the revised table and targets for borrowing.	S Couper 388103
4	<b>Local Government Finance Act 1988 - publication of rural settlement list</b>  Approved the rural settlement list agreed that it be made available for inspection.	J Barber 388105
5	<b>Review of the Council's Lettings Policy</b>  approved the revised Lettings Policy to come into effect on 1st April 2013.	J Barber 388105

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6	<p><b>The Technical Reform of Council Tax</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) that unoccupied and non-furnished (Class C) properties be granted 100% discount for one month and then 0% thereafter;</li> <li>(b) that second home discounts be reduced to 0%;</li> <li>(c) that uninhabitable properties (class A) be granted 100% discount for a maximum of twelve months (no change);</li> <li>(d) that empty homes premium be levied after two years at 50% in addition to the 100% charge currently made; and</li> <li>(e) that monthly instalments continue to be made due on 15th day of each month (extended to those who request twelve monthly instalments) but Managers be permitted to include an additional later instalment date purely as an incentive for those opting to pay by direct debit; and</li> <li>(f) that in accordance with Section 10 – 13 of the Local Government Finance Act 2012, the Head of Customer Services be authorised to calculate and award such discounts and the Council's Scheme of Delegation be amended accordingly.</li> </ul>	J Barber 388105
7	<p><b>Council Tax Support from 1st April 2013</b></p> <p>Recommended to Council that they endorse the Council Tax Support Scheme and authorised the Head of Customer Services to administer the Scheme and amend the Council's Scheme of Delegation accordingly.</p>	J Barber 388105
8	<p><b>Carbon Management Plan update</b></p> <p>noted the progress made towards the implementation of the Council's Carbon Management Plan and the positive impact this had had on energy use and bills at the Council's main sites and supported the undertaking of cross-departmental working as a way of maximising cost savings and the continued use of the salix ring-fenced funding and Environment Strategy Capital Funding to implement further energy saving projects.</p>	C Jablonski 388368
9	<p><b>Round Rescheduling</b></p> <p>Noted progress to deliver effective refuse, recycling and garden waste collection rounds and the content of a communications plan for the efficiency measures.</p>	B Gordan 388720

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10	<p><b>risk Register</b></p> <p>Noted the action identified to deal with an emerging risk relating to affordable housing and homelessness and actions proposed to reduce its likelihood and severity</p>	Mr D Harwood 388115
11	<p><b>CHARGING FOR A SECOND GREEN BIN - CALL IN</b></p> <p>The Cabinet noted the outcome of the Panel's call-in of a Cabinet's decision regarding charging for a second green bin and reiterated that the proposal will be considered with all the Council's options for saving measures as part of the Medium Term Plan.</p>	A Roberts 388015
12	<p><b>Disposal of Land, St. Mary's Street, Huntingdon</b></p> <p>Approved the disposal of Council-owned land at St. Mary's Street, Huntingdon and authorised the Managing Director (Communities, Partnerships and Projects), after consultation with the Executive Councillor for Resources, to accept an offer for the land from the prospective purchaser.</p>	C Allen 388380