

Executive Committee

18th November 2009

Notice of Decisions

Present:

Councillor M Braley (Vice-Chair, in the Chair) and
Councillors P Anderson, J Brunner, B Clayton, W Hartnett, N Hicks and
M Shurmer

Also Present

Councillor D Hunt and M Collins (Standards Committee)

Officers:

G Revans, Head of Environment, C Flanagan, A Williams, Jackie Smith,
S Hanley, T Kristunas, J Staniland, H Halls, Jane Smith, D Taylor and E
Baker

Committee Services Officer:

D Sunman

1. APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received on behalf of Councillors
Gandy and MacMillan.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

3. LEADER'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Chair advised that the following item of business, scheduled on
the Forward Plan to be dealt with at this meeting, had been
rescheduled to a later meeting:

- Private Sector Home Support Service

The Chair also advised that he had accepted the following matters
as Urgent Business:

- Item 6 - Community Management and Ownership of Assets –
Proposed Policy and Procedure;

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Item 9 - Benefits Improvement Plan – Quarterly Monitoring – July – September 2009;

Item 12 - Churchill District Centre – Redevelopment Update;
and

Item 20 - Core Strategy Development Plan Document – Development Options – Joint Consultation with Bromsgrove District Council.

(Not meeting the publication deadline.)

4. MINUTES

RESOLVED that

the minutes of the meetings of the Committee held on 7th and 28th October 2009 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

5. CHARGEABLE WASTE COLLECTION - BUSINESS CASE

RESOLVED that

- 1) **the report be noted; and**
- 2) **a further report be prepared for a future meeting of the Committee.**

(Members expressed their concerns that all options for the disposal of garden waste had not been investigated. An amendment to the Officers' recommendation to continue the existing policy of the use of grey bins and orange sacks in the pilot area was not approved.)

6. COMMUNITY MANAGEMENT AND OWNERSHIP OF ASSETS - PROPOSED POLICY AND PROCEDURE

RESOLVED that

- 1) **the report be noted; and**
- 2) **the voluntary sector in Redditch be consulted on the proposed policy and procedures.**

(An earlier amendment to the Officers' recommendations to delete recommendation 1 as set out in the report was not approved.)

7. QUARTERLY PERFORMANCE MONITORING - QUARTER 2 - JULY TO SEPTEMBER 2009

RESOLVED that

the update on key performance indicators for the period April to September be noted.

8. QUARTERLY BUDGET MONITORING - QUARTER 2 - JULY TO SEPTEMBER 2009

RESOLVED that

the report be noted.

9. BENEFITS IMPROVEMENT PLAN - QUARTERLY MONITORING - JULY TO SEPTEMBER 2009

RESOLVED that

the report be noted.

(Officers were requested to highlight the Inspector's comments regarding Overview and Scrutiny Committee's involvement in overseeing the management of performance. [Appendix 1 (R7a)])

10. QUARTERLY MONITORING OF FORMAL COMPLAINTS AND COMPLIMENTS - QUARTER 2, JUNE - SEPTEMBER 2009

RESOLVED that

the update on complaints and compliments for the period July to September 2009 be noted.

11. REVENUE AND CAPITAL BIDS 2009/10 TO 2012/13

RECOMMENDED that

- 1) the General Fund revenue bid set out in Appendix 1 in respect of the current financial year, if it is determined it should proceed, be approved and funded from General Fund revenue balances;**
- 2) the General Fund capital bid set out in Appendix 2 in respect of the current financial year, if it is determined it**

should proceed, be approved and funded from General Fund revenue balances;

- 3) those of the General Fund revenue bids set out in Appendix 1 for the period 2010/11 to 2012/13 which it is determined should proceed be approved in principle, subject to the availability of resources;
- 4) those of the General Fund capital bids set out in Appendix 2 for the period 2010/11 to 2012/13 which it is determined should proceed be approved in principle, subject to the availability of resources;
- 5) the Housing Revenue Account capital bid set out in Appendix 2 in respect of the current financial year, if it is determined it should proceed, be approved and funded from Housing Revenue Account revenue balances;
- 6) those of the Housing Revenue Account revenue bids set out in Appendix 1 for the period 2010/11 to 2012/13 which it is determined should proceed be approved in principle, subject to the availability of resources; and
- 7) those of the Housing Revenue Account capital bids set out in Appendix 2 for the period 2010/11 to 2012/13 which it is determined should proceed be approved in principle, subject to the availability of resources.

12. CHURCH HILL CENTRE - REDEVELOPMENT UPDATE

RESOLVED that

- 1) progress on the scheme be noted; and

RECOMMENDED that

- 2) additional revenue funding of £2,360 be approved to progress the scheme for the year 2009/10 up to and including reporting on the outcomes of the market testing exercise.

13. WOODROW LIBRARY PROJECT

RESOLVED that

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- 1) **Redditch Borough Council supports in principal the co-location of Woodrow One Stop Shop in Woodrow library;**
- 2) **Officers investigate the feasibility of extending the use of swipe cards as a possible alternative to a payment kiosk and report back to this Committee on their findings before the expenditure requested in paragraph 5 is committed;**
- 3) **the rent currently charged for the library be reviewed, taking into account the extent of the investment proposed to improve a community facility and the implications of the future use of the vacated office space.**
- 4) **the outcome of the investigation outlined in paragraph 3 be brought back to Committee for consideration; and**

RECOMMENDED that

- 5) **the capital bid of £17,000 for the installation of a payment kiosk and the revenue bid of £2,500 per year for maintenance be approved.**

14. OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

RESOLVED that

- 1) **the minutes of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee held on 14th October 2009 be noted; and**
- 2) **Asset Maintenance Officers be asked to prioritise the redecoration of the Mayor's Parlour in the Town Hall redecoration programme scheduled to take place in 2010/11.**

15. MINUTES / REFERRALS - OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE, EXECUTIVE PANELS, NEIGHBOURHOOD GROUPS ETC.

There were no minutes or referrals for discussion.

16. ADVISORY PANELS - UPDATE REPORT

RESOLVED that

the update report on the work of the Committee's Advisory Panels, etc. be received and noted, subject to the following further updates:

- 1) a date for the next meeting of the Community Safety Advisory Panel be identified;
- 2) the Economic Advisory and Procurement Advisory Panels on 14th December be rescheduled;
- 3) a date for the next meeting of the Member Development Steering Group be identified.

17. ACTION MONITORING

RESOLVED that

the report be noted.

18. CORE STRATEGY DEVELOPMENT PLAN DOCUMENT - DEVELOPMENT OPTIONS

RECOMMENDED that

- 1) A six week consultation period from 1st February to 15th March 2010 to be held jointly with Bromsgrove District Council be approved for the purposes of consulting on the Development Options to meet Redditch's growth needs up to 2026.
- 2) Authority be delegated to the Acting Development Plans Manager, in consultation with the relevant Portfolio Holder and the Leaders of the political parties to agree the nature and content of the consultation publicity material.