



Council

27 July 2009

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, 1 JULY 2009 – MATTERS ARISING

(Report of the Head of Legal, Democratic & Property Services)

1. Purpose of Report

To ask that the Council consider two matters arising from the meeting of the Executive Committee on 1 July 2009 and amendments or additions to the referrals on those particular items

2. Recommendations

INSURANCE PREMIUM SAVINGS – CONSORTIUM TENDER (Minute 36)

RECOMMENDED that

- 1) **authority be delegated to the Head of Financial, Revenues and Benefits Services, in consultation with the Risk Monitoring Group and the relevant Portfolio Holder, to utilise these monies; and**

SCHEME OF DELEGATION TO OFFICERS – PLANNING SERVICES AMENDMENTS RELATING TO PLANNING ENFORCEMENT AND PLANNING OBLIGATIONS (Minute 43)

RESOLVED that

- 2) **the update to the recommendation, as set out in paragraphs 3.3 and 3.4 below, in respect of the implementation of the new scheme be noted.**

3. Report

Key Issues

- 3.1 The decision taken at the Executive Committee on 1 July in respect of the Insurance Premium Savings mistakenly included a resolution purporting to delegate authority to an Officer of the Council. Clearly, such a decision can only be taken by the Council and so the resolution on that point has been changed to a recommendation as in Paragraph 2, above.
- 3.2 In respect of the Scheme of Delegation to Planning Officers report, further explanation of the delegations has been provided by service Officers, as set out in paragraphs 3.3 and 3.4 below.

- 3.3 With regard to Planning Enforcement, Members should be aware that 'direct action' in this case means that the Council take the action required and put a charge on the land in order to recover costs (see appendix 1)
- 3.4 Members should also be aware that prior to serving notices using delegated powers, Members will receive an email notification of this intent, giving a period of at least 14 days in which Members can call in matters to be considered at planning committee, by emailing or writing in as indicated within the email notification. If the period elapses without further contact, action will be taken by officers under their delegated powers. It is intended to commence the new scheme on 1 September 2009.

4. **Author of Report**

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5. **Appendices**

None.