

Forest Heath District Council St Edmundsbury Borough Council

FHDC and SEBC Portfolio Holders Decisions Notice
(Published: Wednesday 8 August 2018)

The following decision was each taken by the Forest Heath District Council and St Edmundsbury Borough Council Portfolio Holders for Leisure and Culture on **Wednesday MeetingDate** and, if not called in by Councillors, will come into operation on Thursday 16 August 2018. An executive committee decision may be called in, in accordance with the Overview and Scrutiny Committee Procedure Rules contained within Part 4 of each Council's Constitutions, by at least five Councillors submitting the required call-in request form to the Assistant Director (HR, Legal and Democratic Services) (e-mail: democratic.services@westsuffolk.gov.uk) **by 5.00 pm on Wednesday 15 August 2018.**

Should you have a query regarding any of the decisions taken, contact should be made with the named officer in the first instance, either on the telephone number listed against their name, or via email using the format firstname.surname@westsuffolk.gov.uk. Alternatively, you may also contact the relevant Portfolio Holder on the telephone number listed against their name, or via email using the format firstname.surname@stedsb.gov.uk or firstname.surname@forest-heath.gov.uk Contact may also be made via Democratic Services, West Suffolk House, Western Way, Bury St Edmunds Suffolk, IP33 3YU

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No Agenda Item as individual Portfolio Holder Decision Report No: EXC/SA/18/007	None	<p><u>Single Council Implementation - Harmonisation of Approach to Play Area Inspections</u></p> <p>The Forest Heath DC and St Edmundsbury BC Portfolio Holders for Leisure and Culture (also Shadow Executive (Cabinet) Members with the responsibility for Leisure and Culture) have each made the following decision:</p> <p>(1) the proposed interim arrangement for a free play area inspection service for the financial years 2019/20 and 2020/21, as outlined in paragraph 1.3 of Report No: EXC/SA/18/007, be approved;</p>	<p>The Forest Heath DC and St Edmundsbury DC Portfolio Holders for Leisure and Culture consider it is appropriate to align the approach to play area inspections for implementation on 1 April 2019 (creation date for the West Suffolk Council) and for the playground inspection service be offered to all parish and town councils and Playing Field Associations without a charge for the financial years 2019/20 and 2020/21. During that time the play area inspection service will be considered as part of a wider review of the new Council's relationship with town and parish councils.</p>	<p>To levy a charge to town/parish councils in St Edmundsbury, as is current practice in Forest Heath; however, this is not a preferred option given the play area inspection service will be considered as part of a wider review of the new Council's relationship with town and parish councils.</p>	<p><u>Portfolio Holders:</u></p> <p>FHDC Cllr Andy Drummond 01638 751411</p> <p>SEBC Cllr Joanna Rayner 07872 456836</p> <p><u>Officer:</u> Mark Walsh Assistant Director (Operations) 01284 757300</p>

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		<p>and</p> <p>(2) as part of the 2019/20 budget setting process, the budget for play inspections be increased by £6,500 to take account of the increased costs and reduced income, as in paragraph 1.4 of Report No: EXC/SA/18/007, be agreed.</p>	<p>The £6,500 budget increase as part of the 2019/20 budget setting process to take account of the increased costs and reduced income, is considered appropriate to warrant the implementation of the above.</p>		

Jennifer Eves
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8 August 2018