



Forest Heath District Council

Cabinet Decisions Notice (Published: Thursday 7 April 2016)

The following decisions were taken by the Cabinet on **Tuesday 5 April 2016** and, if not called in by Councillors, will come into operation on Friday 15 April 2016. This procedure does not however, apply to decisions that have been recommended to Council for a final decision (and which are also indicated within the decisions below). An executive decision may be called in, in accordance with the Overview and Scrutiny Committee Procedure Rules contained within Part 4 of the Council's Constitution, by at least five Councillors submitting the required call-in request form to the Head of HR, Legal and Democratic Services (e-mail: democratic.services@westsuffolk.gov.uk) by **5.00 pm on Thursday 14 April 2016**.

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@forest-heath.gov.uk. Contact may also be made via Democratic Services, Forest Heath District Council, District Offices, College Heath Road, Mildenhall, Suffolk, IP28 7EY

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Item No. 5 CAB/FH/16/013	None	<u>Report of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee: 10 March 2016</u> RESOLVED: That the contents of the report be noted.	The report set out the decisions which had been made by the Overview and Scrutiny Committee at their meeting on 10 March 2016.	The Overview and Scrutiny Committee had considered the options in detail at their meeting on 20 March 2016.	<u>Chairman:</u> Cllr Simon Cole 07974 443762 <u>Officer:</u> Christine Brain Scrutiny Officer 01638 719729
Item No. 6	None	<u>Exemption to Contract Procedure Rules: Home of Horseracing</u> RESOLVED: That the exemption to the West Suffolk Contract Procedure Rules, as contained	The National Horseracing Museum had identified a specialist contractor, Gander and White Shipping Limited, who could meet the specialist requirements in respect of transporting and hanging a significant number of value art	Not applicable.	<u>Portfolio Holder:</u> Cllr Andy Drummond 01638 751411

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		in the Constitution, be noted.	works, some on loan from national collections. This supplier also had the capacity to carry out the works in accordance with critical dates in the fit-out programme for the new Museum and had to be booked in advance. This exemption to the West Suffolk Contract Procedure Rules was exercised on 10 March 2016, as the specialised nature of the goods, services to be supplied or the works to be executed meant that only one suitable supplier had been identified or was available.		<u>Officer:</u> Alex Wilson Director 01284 757695
Item No 7 CAB/FH/16/014	None	<u>West Suffolk Community Energy Plan - Update</u> RESOLVED: That the capital allocation approved for the development of a rent-a-roof solar scheme for business as agreed by the Council (Report No CAB/FH/14/010 dated 9 December 2014) be extended to support such investment schemes as set out in Section 1.3 of Report No CAB/FH/16/014, based on renewable power, heat and energy efficiency financing.	Section 1.3 of the report set out the investment opportunities which could be financed by extending the scope of the existing capital provision for the Opportunity 3 (Developing a 'rent-a-roof' solar scheme for local business), with the objective of generating similar projected returns, along with supporting local businesses and cutting carbon emissions.	The lack of investment capital had been cited as a block to taking action to improve energy efficiency and uptake of renewable energy generation. This block would continue to hold back our communities and businesses if the Council chose not to support the opportunities presented in the report.	<u>Portfolio Holder:</u> Cllr James Waters 07771 621038 <u>Officer:</u> Peter Gudde Service Manager (Environmental Health) 01284 757042

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Item No 9 CAB/FH/16/016	None	<p><u>Revenues Collection and Performance Write-Offs</u></p> <p>RESOLVED:</p> <p>That the write-off of the amounts detailed in the exempt appendices to Report No CAB/FH/16/016 be approved, as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Exempt Appendix 1: Council Tax totalling £4,414.49. 2. Exempt Appendix 2: Business Rates totalling £35,774.87. 3. Exempt Appendix 3: Housing Benefit Overpayments totalling £14,072.39. 4. Exempt Appendix 4: Sundry Debts totalling £5,624.01. 	<p>The total amounts detailed in the decision would be written-off. Detailed reasons for the decisions were included in Exempt Appendices 1, 2, 3 and 4 attached to the report.</p>	<p>The Council currently used the services of the ARP Enforcement Agency to assist in the collection of business rates and also had online tracing facilities. It was not considered appropriate to pass the debt onto another agency. In the event that a written-off debt becomes recoverable, the amount was written back on and enforcement procedures were re-established.</p>	<p><u>Portfolio Holder:</u> Cllr Stephen Edwards 07711 457657</p> <p><u>Officer:</u> Rachael Mann Head of Resources and Performance 01638 719245</p>

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