



Forest Heath District Council

Cabinet Decisions Notice

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The following decision was taken by the Cabinet on **Tuesday 11 October 2016** and due to the reasons provided in the 'Reason(s) for Decision(s)' column below, this Cabinet decision **has been exempted from the Call-in procedure**. As provided for under Part 4 of the Constitution under the Overview and Scrutiny Committees Procedure Rules, paragraph 14.4, the Chairman of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee has agreed both that the decision proposed is reasonable in all the circumstances and to it being treated as a matter of urgency.

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Agenda Item and Report No.	Declarations of Interest/Dispensations Granted	Decision(s) (including recommendations to Council)	Reason(s) for Decision(s)	Other Options Considered and Reasons for Rejection	Contacts
Item No. 4 CAB/FH/16/042	None	<p><u>Hatchfield Farm: Secretary of State Decision - Next Steps</u></p> <p>RESOLVED:</p> <p>That:-</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Forest Heath District Council does not seek to challenge the Secretary of State's decision in regard to the Hatchfield Farm development, but to remain an interested party in the claim of Moulton Parish Council, on behalf of themselves and the Rural Parish Alliance and the Earl of Derby. 	<p>The Cabinet Members considered carefully the potential impacts on the residents of Newmarket and the surrounding areas, the potential impact on the area's local economy and the cost to the District's council tax payers, as well as the impact on the adoption of the Council's Local Plan by the required deadline of the end of 2017.</p> <p>As an application to challenge the Secretary of State's decision had to be made by the deadline of 12 October 2016, the Chairman of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee had agreed that this Cabinet decision should be exempted from</p>	<p>The two options were broadly:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - To not pursue a High Court Challenge. - To pursue a High Court Challenge and to consider the implications of each option for Challenge. Legal advice on the options available in terms of pursuing a High Court Challenge 	<p><u>Portfolio Holder:</u> Cllr Lance Stanbury Portfolio Holder for Planning and Growth 07970 947704</p> <p><u>Lead Officer:</u> Steven Wood Head of Planning and Growth 01284 757306</p>

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		<p>2. Forest Heath District Council to lead a process looking to the future of the Town. The Cabinet to invite the whole community to join us and work together to develop an exciting new Prospectus for Newmarket that brings together all the different planning and visioning work that is taking place across the Town and District.</p>	<p>the Call-in procedure as both the decision proposed was reasonable in all the circumstances and to it being treated as a matter of urgency (in line with Part 4: Overview and Scrutiny Committees Procedure Rules; paragraph 14.4 of the Council's Constitution).</p>	<p>were also circulated at the meeting.</p>	

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