Decision No: CMM61 – 24/09/09

Forward Plan No: ENV10358 This record relates to Agenda Item 40 on the agenda for the Decision-Making

# **RECORD OF CABINET MEMBER KEY DECISION**

DECISION-MAKER:

COUNCILLOR GEOFFREY THEOBALD

PORTFOLIO AREA:

ENVIRONMENT

SUBJECT:

RESIDENT PARKING SCHEMES CONSULTATION

AUTHOR:

CHARLES FIELD

#### THE DECISION

- (1) That the Cabinet Member approves:
  - (a) That the Area H Extension Residents Parking Scheme be progressed to final design and the Traffic Regulation Order advertised, subject to the amendments outlined in this committee report.
  - (b) That Cowfold Road and Manor Road residents be contacted again by letter drop to ensure that they are aware a scheme will be progressed around them and to give them a further opportunity to decide whether to be in or outside of this scheme.
  - (c) That an order should be placed for all required pay and display equipment to ensure implementation of the proposed parking schemes are undertaken as programmed.

#### **REASON FOR THE DECISION**

To seek approval of the Traffic Order with amendments after taking into consideration of the duly made representations and objections. These proposals and amendments are recommended to be taken forward for the reasons outlined within the report.

## DETAILS OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

1. For the majority of the proposals the only alternative option is doing nothing which would mean the proposals would not be taken forward. However, it is the recommendation of officers that these proposals are proceeded with for the reasons outlined within the report.

2. For the proposals outlined as being removed from the order in the recommendations the only alternative option is taking these forward. However, it is the recommendation of officers that these proposals are not taken forward for the reasons outlined in the recommendations.

OTHER RELEVANT MATTERS CONCERNING THE DECISION None

#### CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

None.

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#### Decision Maker:

24 September 2009

Councillor Geoffrey Theobald Cabinet Member for Environment **Signed:** 

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**Proper Officer:** 

24 September 2009

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Call-in Procedure completed (if applicable)

Call-in heard by (if applicable)

Decision No: CMM62 – 24/09/09

Forward Plan No: N/A This record relates to Agenda Item 41 on the agenda for the Decision-Making

# **RECORD OF CABINET MEMBER DECISION**

DECISION-MAKER:

COUNCILLOR GEOFFREY THEOBALD

PARKING ANNUAL REPORT 2008/9

PORTFOLIO AREA:

ENVIRONMENT

PAUL NICHOLLS

SUBJECT:

AUTHOR:

#### THE DECISION

(1) That the Cabinet Member endorses the publication of the first Parking Services Annual Report 2008/9 for submission to the Department for Transport and Traffic Penalty Tribunal under the provisions of the Traffic Management Act 2004.

#### **REASON FOR THE DECISION**

To provide the public and stakeholders with information on the performance, aims and objectives of parking services and to meet the Council's new legal obligations under the Traffic Management Act 2004.

#### DETAILS OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

None considered.

#### OTHER RELEVANT MATTERS CONCERNING THE DECISION None

#### **CONFLICTS OF INTEREST**

None.

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Decision No: CMM63 – 24/09/09

Forward Plan No: N/A This record relates to Agenda Item 42 on the agenda for the Decision-Making

# **RECORD OF CABINET MEMBER DECISION**

DECISION-MAKER:

COUNCILLOR GEOFFREY THEOBALD

PORTFOLIO AREA:

ENVIRONMENT

SUBJECT:

VARIOUS CONTROLLED PARKING ZONES (CONSOLIDATION ORDER 2008 / AMENDMENT ORDER NO.\* 200\*)

AUTHOR:

CHARLES FIELD

#### THE DECISION

- (1) That the Cabinet Member (having taken into account of all the duly made representations and objections) approve the traffic order with the following amendments:
  - (a) The proposed removal of disabled parking bays in Goldstone Road, is to be removed from the Traffic Order as the bay is still required by local resident.

#### REASON FOR THE DECISION

To seek approval of the Traffic Order with amendments after taking into consideration of the duly made representations and objections.

#### DETAILS OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

- 1. For the majority of the proposals the only alternative option is doing nothing which would mean the proposals would not be taken forward. However, it is the recommendation of officers that these proposals are proceeded with for the reasons outlined in Appendix A and within the report.
- 2. For the proposals outlined as being removed from the order in the recommendations the only alternative option is taking these forward. However, it is the recommendation of officers that these proposals are not taken forward for the reasons outlined in the recommendations.

#### OTHER RELEVANT MATTERS CONCERNING THE DECISION None

#### **CONFLICTS OF INTEREST**

None.

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Call-in Procedure completed (if applicable)

Call-in heard by (if applicable)

Decision No: CMM64 – 24/09/09

Forward Plan No: N/A This record relates to Agenda Item 43 on the agenda for the Decision-Making

# **RECORD OF CABINET MEMBER DECISION**

DECISION-MAKER:

COUNCILLOR GEOFFREY THEOBALD

PORTFOLIO AREA:

ENVIRONMENT

SUBJECT:

ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING POINTS

AUTHOR:

DAVID LOW

#### THE DECISION

- (1) That the Cabinet Member gives approval to proceed with the introduction of the Electric Vehicle Charging Points scheme in Brighton & Hove as set out in this report.
- (2) That the Cabinet Member (having taken into account all the duly made representations and objections) approves the Brighton & Hove Various Controlled Parking Zones consolidation order 2008 amendment order no. \*200\* (as advertised namely:
  - The provision of two on-street electric vehicle charging points to be created in Bartholomews (north side of the northern arm).
  - The provision of two on street electric vehicle charging points to be created in Ditchling Road (west side, between Oxford Place and Oxford Street).)

## **REASON FOR THE DECISION**

1. To seek approval to proceed with the Electric Vehicle Charging Points project.

#### DETAILS OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

The Civitas Archimedes project requires that the on-street charging points should be installed the section of central Brighton designated the Civitas area. The proposed site(s) fall within that area, and are in high-visibility, easily accessible locations designed to encourage their access by the users of electric vehicles, and best publicise the charging point scheme to potential users.

#### OTHER RELEVANT MATTERS CONCERNING THE DECISION

A decision on recommendation 2.2 was not required as no objections to the TRO were received.

CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

None.

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Decision No: CMM65 – 24/09/09

Forward Plan No: CAB12107 This record relates to Agenda Item 44 on the agenda for the Decision-Making

# RECORD OF CABINET MEMBER KEY DECISION

**DECISION-MAKER:** 

COUNCILLOR GEOFFREY THEOBALD

PORTFOLIO AREA:

SUBJECT:

APPROVAL TO PROCURE STREET LIGHTING ENERGY CONTRACT

AUTHOR:

CHRISTINA LIASSIDES

ENVIRONMENT

#### THE DECISION

- (1) That the Cabinet Member authorises the Director of Environment to:
  - (a) Enter into an arrangement with ESCC to utilise the Buying Solutions' framework agreement to procure the electricity for highway street lighting and illuminated signs for a period of 18 months until April 2011.
  - (b) Carry out a review, including soft market testing as to the options and costs for the future procurement of electricity for highway street lighting and illuminated signs and to report back to the Cabinet Member with recommendations following the review.

#### **REASON FOR THE DECISION**

- 1. The Council has a duty to maintain regulatory signs / bollards and also to maintain the public highway street lighting in a safe condition. Energy supply is an essential element of providing illumination on the city's streets.
- 2. This proposal would succeed the current Street Lighting energy Contract tendered by ESCC on behalf of both authorities terminating on 30<sup>th</sup> September 2009.

#### DETAILS OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

- 1. At this current time, this form of framework agreement with East Sussex is considered to be the most suitable because timescales for disaggregation mean that the council is unable to pursue alternatives.
- 2. The only other alternative is not to enter into this framework but this would leave Brighton & Hove City Council without any contract for the energy of the street

lighting, illuminated signs and bollards, with a resulting safety risk.

OTHER RELEVANT MATTERS CONCERNING THE DECISION None

**CONFLICTS OF INTEREST** 

None.

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Call-in Procedure completed (if applicable)

Call-in heard by (if applicable)

Decision No: CMM66 – 24/09/09

Forward Plan No: CAB11928 This record relates to Agenda Item 45 on the agenda for the Decision-Making

# RECORD OF CABINET MEMBER KEY DECISION

**DECISION-MAKER:** 

COUNCILLOR GEOFFREY THEOBALD

PORTFOLIO AREA:

SUBJECT:

APPROVAL TO PROCURE STREET LIGHTING MAINTENANCE CONTRACT

AUTHOR:

CHRISTINA LIASSIDES

ENVIRONMENT

#### THE DECISION

- (1) That the Cabinet Member authorises the Director of Environment to:
  - (a) To enter into a procurement process with ESCC to tender for the maintenance of the highway street lighting, illuminated signs and bollards stock.
  - (b) To present a future report to the Cabinet Member outlining the results of the procurement process and seeking permission to proceed with appointing the contractor.

#### **REASON FOR THE DECISION**

- 1. The Council has a duty maintain regulatory signs / bollards and also to maintain the public highway street lighting in a safe condition. This Contract facilitates this requirement.
- 2. This contract succeeds the current Highway Street Lighting Maintenance Contract that terminates on 31st March 2010.

#### DETAILS OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

- 1. At this current time, this form of EU procurement tendered jointly with East Sussex is considered to be the most suitable. Timescales and resources issues within Brighton & Hove mean that alternatives are unlikely to produce good value for money and a robust contract specification.
- 2. The contract is being tendered for 2 years 5 months with optional extensions so this gives Brighton & Hove an opportunity to re-consider alternative options within 2 years 5 months.

3. The only other alternative is not to tender at all but this would leave Brighton & Hove City Council without any contract for the maintenance of the street lighting, illuminated signs and bollards, with a resulting safety risk and failure in its duty to maintain.

OTHER RELEVANT MATTERS CONCERNING THE DECISION None

#### CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

None.

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Call-in Procedure completed (if applicable)

Call-in heard by (if applicable)

Decision No: CMM67 – 24/09/09

Forward Plan No: N/A This record relates to Agenda Item 46 on the agenda for the Decision-Making

# **RECORD OF CABINET MEMBER DECISION**

DECISION-MAKER:

COUNCILLOR GEOFFREY THEOBALD

PORTFOLIO AREA:

ENVIRONMENT

CONSULTATION RESPONSE TO DRAFT PPS15: PLANNING FOR THE HISTORIC ENVIRONMENT

AUTHOR:

SUBJECT:

TIM JEFFERIES

#### THE DECISION

(1) That the Cabinet Member agrees that the draft Planning Policy Statement 15: Planning and the Historic Environment is broadly welcomed and that the response to consultation, as set out at Appendix 1, is endorsed.

#### **REASON FOR THE DECISION**

As a significant historic city it is considered important for Brighton & Hove to respond to the Government consultation on the draft national conservation policy in a transparent manner, to accord with the corporate priority of open and effective city leadership.

#### DETAILS OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

The alternative option would be to make no response to the public consultation on the draft PPS. That option would be less likely to result in a final document that is useful within our local context.

#### OTHER RELEVANT MATTERS CONCERNING THE DECISION None

CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

None.

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Call-in heard by *(if applicable)* 

Decision No: CMM68 – 24/09/09

Forward Plan No: N/A This record relates to Agenda Item 47 on the agenda for the Decision-Making

# **RECORD OF CABINET MEMBER DECISION**

DECISION-MAKER:

COUNCILLOR GEOFFREY THEOBALD

PORTFOLIO AREA:

ENVIRONMENT

SUBJECT:

MAINTENANCE OF HISTORIC BUILDINGS

AUTHOR:

**TIM JEFFERIES** 

#### THE DECISION

(1) That the Cabinet Member endorses the updated register of listed buildings that are considered to be 'at risk' (Appendix 1).

#### **REASON FOR THE DECISION**

The report recommendation will allow resources to be directed to those historic buildings that are most in need of repair and to ensure a consistent and transparent approach to any future enforcement action.

#### DETAILS OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

None considered.

OTHER RELEVANT MATTERS CONCERNING THE DECISION None

#### CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

None.

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Call-in Procedure completed (if applicable)

Call-in heard by *(if applicable)* 

Decision No: CMM69 – 24/09/09

Forward Plan No: N/A This record relates to Agenda Item 48 on the agenda for the Decision-Making

# **RECORD OF CABINET MEMBER DECISION**

DECISION-MAKER:

COUNCILLOR GEOFFREY THEOBALD

PORTFOLIO AREA:

SUBJECT:

ENVIRONMENT

CONSULTATION ON THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE FUTURE SOUTH DOWNS NATIONAL PARK AUTHORITY

#### AUTHOR:

GILLIAN MARSTON

#### THE DECISION

(1) That the Cabinet Member approves the draft response to DEFRA attached at Appendix 1 regarding the proposed membership of the future South Downs National Park Authority.

#### **REASON FOR THE DECISION**

- 1. The council wishes to ensure that the South Downs NPA is effective and efficient and believes this is best achieved through a smaller authority discharging its duties.
- 2. It is important that the council is represented on the NPA given the importance of conserving and promoting the South Downs within and around the city and across the whole National Park area.
- 3. The nature of the two tier structure of county councils and district councils, and the inclusion of parish members already allows for increased representation on the NPA for those areas with more population or area to be included in the National Park, and thus there is not a need to opt for the larger NPA.

## DETAILS OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

The council could decide not to respond to the consultation documents issued by Defra on the size and composition of the NPA. However, this option is not recommended as the council has a keen interest in the National Park and ensuring its success in conserving and promoting the value of the land within and around the city and across the South Downs.

#### OTHER RELEVANT MATTERS CONCERNING THE DECISION None

**CONFLICTS OF INTEREST** 

None.

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Decision No: CMM70 – 24/09/09

Forward Plan No: N/A This record relates to Agenda Item 49 on the agenda for the Decision-Making

## **RECORD OF CABINET MEMBER DECISION**

**DECISION-MAKER:** 

COUNCILLOR GEOFFREY THEOBALD

PORTFOLIO AREA:

SUBJECT:

CITYPARKS DOWNLAND MANAGEMENT

AUTHOR:

HUGO BLOMFIELD

ENVIRONMENT

#### THE DECISION

- (1) That the Cabinet Member for Environment approves the grazing plans for each site subject to full consultation with ward councillors and residents.
- (2) That the Cabinet Member for Environment approves the implementation of the grazing plans for key chalk downland sites where feasible, subject to the above consultation being completed successfully.

#### REASON FOR THE DECISION

To implement a more sustainable method of managing Cityparks chalk grassland sites.

## DETAILS OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

Mowing is inferior to grazing:

- it can cause severe disruption to grassland invertebrates and ground nesting birds;
- it cannot be used on the steeper slopes (where much of the remaining chalk grassland is found);
- it is uniform in its application and therefore prevents the establishment of swards of varying height, which are favoured by some chalk grassland species; and
- it damages chalk grassland features such as ant hills and some archaeology.

The cost comparisons of continuing to mow our chalk grassland sites vary due to soil type and from year to year due to the weather. In total in 2007 it cost £16,000 to cut, clear and compost. In 2008 it is estimated this would have increased to between £28,000 and £48,000 - depending on the weather - due to increased fuel and composting costs (as a result sites were cut but not cleared or composted).

# OTHER RELEVANT MATTERS CONCERNING THE DECISION None

CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

None.

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