

**Report of the Leader on Decisions taken by Executive Members and the Joint Strategic Committee since the last meeting of Council**

**A Decisions Taken by Individual Executive Members**

Listed below is a summary of decisions taken by the individual Executive Members since the despatch of the agenda for the last Council Meeting . Full details can be found on the Executive Members and Portfolios, Reports and Decisions webpage. [www.adur-worthing.gov.uk/committee/agendas-minutes.htm](http://www.adur-worthing.gov.uk/committee/agendas-minutes.htm)

**Leader**

LDR/017/14-15 Representing the Council in the Community on other organisations

JAW/003/14-15 Risk Management Strategy

**Executive Member for Regeneration**

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**Executive Member for Resources**

RES/013/14-15 Write Offs

RES/015/14-15 Rate Relief Applications

RES/016/14-15 Write Offs

RES/018/14-15 Request for Early Termination of Employment in the Interests of Efficiency of the Service

JAW/005/14-15 Request for Retirement in the Interests of Efficiency of the Service

JAW/006/14-15 Application for Voluntary Redundancy

JAW/007/14-15 Transforming our Visitor Services Offer and Closure of the Worthing Visitor Information Centre

JAW/008/14-15 Application for Voluntary Redundancy

JAW/009/14-15 Efficiency of Service – Productivity & Innovation Unit

**Executive Member for Customer Services**

JAW/010/14-15 Enforcement of Letting Agent and Property Management Redress Scheme

## **Executive Member for the Environment**

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## **Executive Member for Health and Wellbeing**

JAW/004/14-15 Funding for the Wellbeing Programmes Older People's Services contract

### **B. Decisions Taken by the Joint Strategic Committee on 05 February 2015**

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*Items relating to Worthing Borough Council are not reproduced on this agenda*

#### **JSC/091/14-15 Outline 5-Year Forecast and Savings Proposals**

##### **Decision**

The Joint Strategic Committee:

- i. noted the non-committed growth items outlined in Appendix 2, which had already been considered at the individual Executive meetings;
- ii. agreed the budgets for 2015/16, as set out in Appendix 3, which would be adjusted by any non-committed growth items approved by the individual Executives.

#### **JSC/093/14-15 Planned Maintenance Programmes for 2015/16 Onwards**

##### **Decision**

The Joint Strategic Committee agreed the planned maintenance programmes proposed for 2015/16 and beyond for both Adur District Council and Worthing Borough Council.

#### **JSC/094/14-15 Accessing External Funding Opportunities for Adur and Worthing Councils**

##### **Decision**

The Joint Strategic Committee:-

- i) considered the opportunities being considered with partners under the 2 Seas Programme and agreed that concept notes around the identified Projects be submitted by the 15th February deadline; and,
- ii) delegated authority to the Director for the Economy and the Director for Customer Services, in consultation with the relevant Executive

Members, to develop the initial projects identified in the report into a bid for submission in June 2015.

**JSC/096/14-15 Investing in Adur Homes: The Decent Homes Investment Programme for 2015/16**

**Decision:**

The Joint Strategic Committee:-

- (i) approved the Decent Home strategy and programme as detailed within the report;
- (ii) approved the capital budgets and categories for 2015/16 as detailed in Appendix B;
- (iii) approved the programme of works for 2015/16 as detailed in Appendix C.

**C. Decisions Taken by the Executive on 03 February 2015**

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**Decision the Executive**

- (i) considered and approved the Housing Revenue Account estimates
- (ii) determined the level of associated rents and charges with effect from week one of 2015/16 as follows:-
  - (a) **Rents of Council Dwellings** – agreed an average increase of 2.2% raising the average council dwelling rent by £1.98 to £92.00 per week (average rent currently £90.02 per week) – (Para.5.9 of the report )
  - (b) **Rents of Council garages** – agreed an increase of 2.2% to £9.03. (currently £8.84 per week), plus VAT for non-Council tenants) (Para.5.14 of the report)
  - (c) **Service Charges** - delegated to the Head of Housing and Head of Finance in consultation with the Executive Member for Customer Services, the setting of the service charges (Para. 11.2 of the report)
- (iii) Approved a continued contribution of £566,060 to the earmarked reserve specifically for new development and refurbishment of council housing (para. 13.5 of the report)
- (iv) Approved the HRA Treasury Management Strategy contained in Appendix 3 to the report.

## **D. Urgent Decisions Taken by the Executive**

Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements)(Access to Information)(England) Regulations 2000 as amended.

The following is reported to Council: Nil

Councillor Neil Parkin  
Leader of the Council

### **Local Government Act 1972 Background papers**

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