

Report of the Leader on Decisions taken by the Executive, 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 ordinary Council Meeting . Full details can be found on the Executive Members and Portfolios, Reports and Decisions webpage.

<http://www.adur-worthing.gov.uk/meetings-and-decisions/committees/adur/cabinet-member-decisions/>

Leader

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Executive Member for Regeneration

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Executive Member for Resources

RES/010/16-17 Write Offs

RES/014/16-17 Write Offs

RES/018/16-17 Write Offs

JAW/005/16-17 Efficiency of Service - Environment Division

Executive Member for Customer Services

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Executive Member for the Environment

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Executive Member for Health and Wellbeing

HAW/017/16-17 Adur Competitive Community Grants Budget 2016/17 - Round 2

B. Decisions Taken by the Joint Strategic Committee on 10 January 2017

Full details can be found: www.adur-worthing.gov.uk/committee/cab-docs-joint-strategic.htm

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

JSC/080/16-17 Welfare Reform - Background and Impact in Adur and Worthing Councils

Decision,

That the Joint Strategic Committee noted the contents of the report and requested an update on the impacts and activities in 6 months time.

JSC/081/16-17 Review of Grants (Phase 1) in Adur and Worthing and recommendations for 2016/17

Decision:

The Joint Strategic Committee:-

1. approved the carry forward of the £10,000 from Money Tree into 2017/18 for the purposes of the new grants programme subject to confirmation at the year end;
2. allocated the following budgets to the new initiative 'Going Local' grants programme, with the purpose of supporting the strategic priorities of Platforms for Places in relation to Going Local / Community Referral:
 - a. Adur District Council - £20,000 from the General Grants budget;
 - b. Worthing Borough Council - £20,000 from the budget for the Money Tree (£10,000 from carry forward grant which will be confirmed at year end and £10,000 from the 2017/18 base budget);
3. delegated authority to the Director for Communities, in consultation with the two Executive Members for Health and Wellbeing, to develop a new strategic grants programme, to be aligned with partners in ways that maximises the partnership whilst meeting the strategic priorities for the Councils.

JSC/082/16-17 LEAP (Local Enterprise and Apprenticeship Platform)

Decision

That the Joint Strategic Committee approved the introduction of a small business and apprenticeship grant scheme in Adur and Worthing, utilising monies awarded from the West Sussex County Council pooled business rates to all authorities in West Sussex for this purpose.

JSC/083/16-17 Youth Engagement - Outcomes of the Joint Overview and Scrutiny Committee on 20 October 2016

Decision,

The Joint Strategic Committee:-

- considered and noted the recommendations from the Joint Overview and Scrutiny Committee regarding Youth Engagement;
- requested that a working group be established to continue the good work in this field, to be assisted by the Executive Members for Health & Wellbeing, any other Executive Member as required and the Health and Wellbeing Team based on the funding proviso above.

C. Decisions Taken by the Joint Strategic Committee on 02 February 2017

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Decision,

That the Joint Strategic Committee agreed the budgets for 2017/18 as set out in Appendix 2 of the report.

D. Decisions Taken by the Executive 7 February 2017

Full details can be found:

<https://www.adur-worthing.gov.uk/meetings-and-decisions/committees/adur/cabinet/committee,139862,en.html>

A EX/004/16-17 Housing Revenue Account – Budget 2017/18**Decision,**

(i) considered and approved the Housing Revenue Account (HRA) estimates,
(ii) determined the level of associated rents and charges with effect from week one of 2017/18 as follows:-

(a) **Rents of Council Dwellings (including supported housing)** – agreed a decrease of 1.0% reducing the average council dwelling rent by £0.92 to £91.07 per week (average rent currently £91.99 per week) – (Para.5.5 of the report)

(b) **Rents of Council garages** – agreed an increase of 2.0% to £9.67. (currently £9.48 per week), plus VAT for non-Council tenants) (Para.5.19 of the report)

(c) **Service Charges** - delegated to the Head of Housing and Chief Financial Officer in consultation with the Executive Member for Customer Services, the setting of the service charges (Para. 8.2 of the report)

(iii) 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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