

**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 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/worthing/cabinet-member-decisions/>

**Leader**

JAW/002/17-18 - OUtside Body appointments 2017/18

**Executive Member for Regeneration**

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**Executive Member for Resources**

W/RES/001/17-18 National Non-Domestic Rates - Hardship Relief

**Executive Member for Customer Services**

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**Executive Member for the Environment**

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**Executive Member for Health and Wellbeing**

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**B. Decisions taken by the Joint Strategic Committee on 12 September 2017**

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The matters not appearing elsewhere on the agenda:

**JSC/031/17-18      1st Quarter Revenue Monitoring**

**Resolved,**

The Joint Strategic Committee noted the report and projected outturn position for the Joint, Adur & Worthing Revenue Budgets and proposed use of reserves.

**JSC/033/17-18      Council Tax Support - the impact of the 2017/18 schemes plus public consultation questions to be used in respect of the 2018/19 schemes**

**Decision:**

The Joint Strategic Committee:-

- (1) noted the content of the report;
- (2) agreed the proposed questions shown in appendices one and two should form the basis of the public consultation to be conducted in respect of the schemes for 2018/19 for:
  - (a) Adur District Council
  - (b) Worthing Borough Council.

**JSC/034/17-18      Business Rates Discretionary Relief**

**Decision,**

The Joint Strategic Committee:-

- 1) Noted the contents of the report;
- 2) noted that a further report would be provided to the Joint Strategic Committee (to include the responses to the public consultation) in order that the final criteria for the 2017/18 local schemes can be determined;
- 3) agreed that the public consultation be undertaken for a period of three weeks;
- 4) agreed agree that the text and questions contained in appendix five should form the basis of the consultations.

**JSC/035/17-18      Adur and Worthing Response to the A27 Worthing and Lancing Improvement Scheme**

**Decision**

The Joint Strategic Committee objected to the current consultation on the grounds that:

- i) the proposed A27 improvements does not provide any significant improvement to the current congestion problems, secure any significant reduction in journey times or improvement in air quality;

- ii) the lack of funding allocated to the project means that the consultation failed to meet the original scope of the Road Investment Strategy which was to test the scope for 'full dualling' of the A27 through Worthing; and
- iii) the consultation failed to provide any alternative options for the local community to consider;
- iv) the limited improvement in capacity in the short term will not meet the Government's future objectives for meeting housing demand in the area or support economic growth of the sub-region; and
- v) the piecemeal approach to consulting on the A27 improvements failed to take a holistic view of the problems along the length of the A27 corridor nor assess in sufficient detail the cumulative impact of improvements (or decisions not to proceed with certain improvements).

### **JSC/037/17-18      Match funding request for Museum Redevelopment**

#### **Decision,**

That the Joint Strategic Committee authorised the release of £77,000 match funding from the Museum Reserve to enable the Heritage Lottery Fund bid for £1.2 million.

### **C.      Decisions taken by the Joint Strategic Committee on 10 October 2017**

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The matters not appearing elsewhere on the agenda:

### **JSC/047/17-18      Joint Overview & Scrutiny Committee - Youth Engagement Review**

#### **Decision,**

That the Joint Strategic Committee:-

- noted the report, findings and recommendations from the Joint Overview and Scrutiny Committee and Scrutiny Youth Engagement Working Group;
- agreed to receive a further follow up report in January 2018, from the Director for Communities, on the issues / recommendations and any financial / legal considerations for each recommendation contained in the Scrutiny report to assist the Executive in providing a formal response to the Joint Overview and Scrutiny Committee.

**JSC/048/17-18      100% Business Rate Retention**

**Decision:**

The Joint Strategic Committee delegated authority to the Chief Executive and Chief Financial Officer, following consultation with the Executive Members for Resources, to determine whether to submit a bid to the Department of Communities and Local Government (DCLG) for Adur District Council and Worthing Borough Council to take part in the 2018-19 pilot for 100% business rate retention.

**JSC/050/17-18      Annual Treasury Management Report 2016/17 Adur District Council and Worthing Borough Council**

**Decision,**

The Joint Strategic Committee noted the contents of the report and the temporary breach of the Lloyds Bank counterparty limit.

**JSC/051/17-18      West Sussex Waste Management Memorandum of Understanding**

**Decision,**

The Joint Strategic Committee:-

- approved the revised and refreshed Memorandum of Understanding (MoU);
- delegated approval of the annual income distribution under the MoU which arose as a result of the fluctuations detailed in schedule 6, to the Head of Waste Management and Cleansing Services in consultation with the Chief Finance Officer and the Executive Members for the Environment and Resources.

**JSC/052/17-18      Private Sector Housing Enforcement Policy - update for new legislation**

**Decision,**

That the Joint Strategic Committee:-

1. approved the draft enforcement policy;
2. noted that the draft policy would be put out for consultation for 6 weeks after approval;
3. delegated authority to the Private Sector Housing Manager, in consultation with the Adur Executive Member for Customers Services and the Leader of Worthing, to make minor and/or inconsequential changes to the policy arising from the consultation process;

4. noted that, subject to the outcomes of consultation, the final Enforcement Policy was scheduled to be published and operational from 1 December 2017, and would be reviewed every three years subject to any further changes to the legislation or guidance.

#### **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:

Special Urgency Notice:

Decision Maker: **Joint Strategic Committee 12 September 2017**

Title of Decision: **Potential purchase of a block of flats for the provision of temporary accommodation.**

Special Urgency Notice:

Decision Maker: **Joint Strategic Committee 12 September 2017**

Title of Decision: **Strategic Property Acquisition by Worthing Borough Council**

Councillor Daniel Humphreys  
Leader of the Council

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

Reports and Record of decisions of various are available on the Council's web site [www.adur-worthing.gov.uk](http://www.adur-worthing.gov.uk) or as indicated in each of the paragraphs above. Some of the reports contain exempt information and not fully published on the websites.