AGENDA ITEM 5

POLICY, FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE 2 December 2010

UPDATE ON DECISIONS

Item No.	Agenda Item or Minute Number		PFA Date Originates	Lead Officer	Update
1.	P24/09 ELECTRICITY SUPPLY : TOWN STATION SITE	 RESOLVED that (1) access be approved for a way-leave agreement, granting a temporary way leave consent for a period of 2 years taking account of the needs of the Council Offices construction requirements and then negotiate an easement at the expiry of the way-leave and once the location of the Council offices and services has been finalised; (2) officers be instructed to consult with the newly appointed Professional Design team prior to finalising the route and any negotiations with agents for Central Networks. 	240609	DG	A letter was sent to the applicant giving a final deadline. Follow up correspondence has also been sent. Agents for e –on have left matters to the last minute and the agreement is in risk of not proceeding.
2.	P89/09 EXEMPT ITEM : AFFORDABLE HOUSING PROJECT	 <u>RESOLVED</u> that (1) officers be instructed to seek best consideration' based on the current valuations for the 3 sites noting the impact this would have on the Affordable Housing Project and the Capital receipts for the Council; (2) as part of the Council's strategic housing role, Members re-affirmed that the disposal of 	270110	HR/ DG	Auction was held on 4 November 2010. The lots failed to reach the reserve prices and this is symptomatic of current market conditions, the disposal strategy will be reviewed in December 2010. Further valuation advice has been received on all surplus properties which concurs with previous valuation

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		 council land holdings to increase the supply of affordable housing is one of the options that will be taken into consideration when assessing the disposal of its assets; (3) the Policy, Finance and Administration Committee declared the sites as surplus to requirement in order to undertake recommendations (1) and (2); (4) the Community and Social Affairs Committee be requested to investigate a policy that looks at withdrawing from providing garage facilities to enable land to be released for affordable housing. 			advice provided and this information will be available at the next PFA meeting. Legal searches are underway on the 6 properties that were declared surplus and further planning advice is being obtained.
3.	P37/10 : REVIEW OF CHARGES 2011/12	RESOLVED that(1) the Committee determined the level of charges for 2011/12 for each service as set out in the report;(2) a review on the Local Land Charges position be undertaken and reported to the next meeting of the Committee.	290910	DG JW	Report at this meeting.

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4.	P41 : EXTRAORDIN- ARY EFFICIENCY TASK GROUP	 RESOLVED that (1) officers be instructed to lobby strongly to promote a change in legislation relating to the dispatch of agenda and reports to Members on decision making bodies; (2) Working Groups and Task Groups remain as they are in terms of electronic working until after the IPAD trial; (3) the financial breakdown of the project be supplied to Members; (4) Leaders of the 3 larger Political Groups be asked to nominate 3 Conservative Members, 1 from Labour and 1 from the Independents to trial the iPad and mirror the trial with a similar number for current laptops; (5) reports from Members' tests be made to this Committee at a future meeting; (6) Councillor Ross Grant of Leicester City Council be thanked by letter for demonstrating the iPad at the Extraordinary Efficiency Task Group on 3 September 2010. 	290910	LA	Report at the next PFA meeting in January. iPads distributed to the 5 Members in w/c 22 November. Trial due to commence in week commencing 22 November 2010.

Key to Officers

MT Management Team

LA	Chief Executive
KA	Strategic Director (KA)
CM	Strategic Director (CM)
DG	Head of Central Services
AT	Head of Communications
HR	Head of Communities
JW	Head of Regulatory Services

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