

Executive

Statement of Decisions

Set out below is a summary of the decisions taken at the meeting of the Executive held on Tuesday 18 November 2014. Decisions made by the Executive will be subject to call-in. Recommendations made to the Council are not subject to call-in. The wording used does not necessarily reflect the actual wording that will appear in the minutes.

If you have any queries about any matters referred to in this decision sheet please contact Sarah Selway, Democratic Services (Committees) Manager on 01392 265275 or email sarah.selway@exeter.gov.uk

Proposed Introduction of a Discretionary Licensing Scheme for Houses in Multiple Occupation

Agreed	that:-	
	(1)	a Designation for an Additional Licensing Scheme, covering the whole of the Exeter City Council administrative area, for the types of HMOs specified in Appendix 1, annex B, be made;
	(2)	the fee structure detailed in Appendix 2 and the licence conditions detailed in Appendix 3, be agreed;
	(3)	the implementation of the Scheme beginning on 23 February 2015, be agreed; and
	(4)	the Assistant Director Housing, in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Housing and Customer Access be authorised to periodically review the Scheme, its implementation and resourcing to ensure that the principles of the Scheme are achieved.
Reason for Decision:	As set	out in the report.

Devon County Council - Consultation on Highways Savings

Agreed	that:-
	(1) the City Council's response to the consultation as set out in the body of this report be approved; and
	(2) the Leader of Council seek a meeting with the relevant Cabinet Members at the County Council to begin a dialogue about how the two councils can work together to ensure that the economic and social impacts of these proposals on the City of Exeter are minimised.

Reason	To set out the Council's position on the proposed savings by Devon
for	County Council.
Decision:	

Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985 - Exclusion of Press and Public

Agreed	that, under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the
	press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of
	the following item on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure
	of exempt information as defined in paragraphs 1 and 3 of Part I,
	Schedule 12A of the Act.

Community Asset Transfer Report

Agreed	that:-
	(1) the principle of asset transfer to community organisations be endorsed;
	(2) the expressions of interest in asset transfer already received from Devon Wildlife Trust, Exeter College and Exeter Saracens be progressed;
	(3) the principle of granting a lease or licence on the tennis facilities at Heavitree Park to Tennis for Free be agreed on terms to be negotiated by the Corporate Manager – Property, with further consideration about the long term transfer of this asset to Park Life once the Community Hub and Café redevelopment are completed;
	(4) the commencement of discussions with the clubs associated with the Council-owned bowling and croquet greens and facilities with a view to supporting them to take on responsibility for these assets over the next two years, be supported;
	(5) any decision to transfer Council assets to community ownership or grant a long lease be taken in consultation with the Leader and the Portfolio Holder for Environment, Health and Wellbeing; and
	(6) the barriers that high costs of insurance can create for community groups be highlighted to Government.
Reason for Decision:	To facilitate asset transfer from the Council to community groups in appropriate circumstances.

The decisions indicated will normally come into force 5 working days after publication of the Statement of Decisions unless called in by a Scrutiny Committee. Where the matter in question is urgent, the decision will come into force immediately. Decisions regarding the policy framework or corporate objectives or otherwise outside the remit of the Executive will be considered by Council on 16 December 2014.