

Executive

Statement of Decisions

Set out below is a summary of the decisions taken at the meeting of the Executive held on Tuesday 15 January 2019. 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 Manager (Committees) on 01392 265275 or email sarah.selway@exeter.gov.uk

Proposed Consultation on Public Conveniences

Agreed	<p>That the following be noted:-</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) In common with many cities around the UK, the Councils public toilets no longer serve the needs of residents and were costly to maintain. Many were hidden away and in poor condition. They attract serious and repeated anti-social behaviour including widespread drug use and are regularly vandalised. Understandably many are infrequently used; (2) Further central government funding reductions mean that the City Council had to find an additional saving of £3.9 million over the next two financial years. Every service was being challenged to ensure that it provides value for money and all non-statutory services were under considerable pressure. Public conveniences were not a statutory service and the Council no longer had enough funding to maintain all the sites it operate; (3) the Council operate 26 public conveniences across the City Council area, with two of those currently closed due to anti-social behaviour; and (4) a consultation on proposals to rationalise the Councils existing provision to a more manageable number and suggested alternative proposals to improve the availability of good quality publically accessible toilets be approved and the consultation results be brought back to Executive to make the final decision.
Reason for Decision:	As set out in the report.

Housing Rents and Services Charges

Agreed	<p>That:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">(1) rents of Council dwellings are reduced by 1% from 1 April 2019;(2) garage rents are increased by 3% from 1 April 2019;(3) service charges remain at their existing levels, with the exception of charges specified below from 1 April 2019:-<ul style="list-style-type: none">(a) 10% increase in emergency light testing in line with routine testing costs and additional installations;(b) 20% decrease in respect of the Older Persons' property service charge reflecting a frozen post; and(c) 5% reduction in respect of door entry systems in line with system maintenance costs.
Reason for Decision:	As set out in the report.

2019/20 Budget Strategy and Medium Term Financial Plan

Agreed	<p>That Council:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">(1) note the contents of the report; and(2) the proposals to establish a balanced revenue budget and capital programme are approved.
Reason for Decision:	As set out in the report.

Council Tax Base and NNDR 1

Agreed	<p>That:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">(1) in accordance with the Local Authorities (Calculation of Tax Base) (England) Regulations 2012, the amount calculated by Exeter City Council as its tax base for the year 2019/20 shall be 36,988 and;(2) responsibility to approve the Council's NNDR1 return by 31 January 2019 be delegated to the Chief Finance Officer (Section 151 Officer).
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Reason for Decision:	As set out in the report.
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Creation of a Second Post of a CIL and Section 106 Monitoring Officer

Agreed	That Council approve the use of Community Infrastructure Levy - derived funds to create the new position – Community Infrastructure Levy and Section 106 Monitoring Officer.
Reason for Decision:	As set out in the report.

Exeter Science Park Company. Shareholder Representative

Agreed	That David Hodgson be appointed as Exeter City Council's Shareholder representative for the Exeter Science Park Company and Jon-Paul Hedge be appointed as a Director of the Exeter Science Park Company.
Reason for Decision:	As set out in the report and advised at meeting.

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 it involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 1, 2, 3 and 4 of Part 1, Schedule 12A of the Act.
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St Loyes Management Report

Agreed	<p>That:-</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) the preferred option two in relation to the management of Exeter's Extra care Scheme (EECS) as set out in section 8 of the circulated report be approved; and (2) the Director responsible for Housing be given delegated authority in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for the
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	Housing Revenue Account, to agree the eligibility criteria for allocations to EECS in negotiation with Devon County Council (DCC) and the nominated care and housing management provider following that appropriate procurement specialist consultants are engaged to provide expert advice on the setting up of any agreements with DCC and care/ management provider.
Reason for Decision:	As set out in the report.

Waste Operations Management Structure

Agreed	That:- (1) the proposed restructure in the Waste Operations team be supported; and (2) the consultation and implementation plan as described in this report be approved.
Reason for Decision:	As set out in the report.

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 26 February 2019