

Senior Officer Decision

Consultative meeting: Council

Consultative meeting date: 21st February 2022



Exempt from publication

No.

Title: Approval of Recommendations to February's Council

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- (i) **Officer report to consultative meeting**
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Recommendation:

Cabinet 5th January 2022

Minute 142 – Long Lane Enhancement Scheme;

That the borrowing of up to £4.51m against ring fenced business rate income to complete the scheme be agreed.

Minute 143 - Broadhembury Parish Council - Community Governance Review

That the proposals be published recommending that the number of parish councillors for Broadhembury be increased from 9 to 12 with such increase to come into effect for the May 2023 elections.

Minute 146 – Seaton Jurassic update

5. An additional Marketing, Legal & Professional fee budget for the Café & Centre of £25,000 sums coming from the Asset Maintenance Reserve, for the work involved in recommendations 2 and 3 of this report.
6. Enabling works budget of £10,000 sums coming from the Asset Maintenance Reserve, to enable the Café to be self-contained from the Exhibits space during the summer of 2022 along with any other enabling works for a Café.

Cabinet 2nd February 2022

Minute 161 - Capital Strategy 2022/23 - 2025/26

To adopt the Capital Strategy 2022/23 – 2025/26.

Minute 162 - Treasury Management, including the Minimum Revenue Provision Policy Statement and Annual Investment Strategy for 2022/23

- a. adopt the Treasury Management Strategy including the Prudential Indicators for 2022/23,
- b. approve the Minimum Revenue Provision Policy Statement,
- c. approve the Annual Investment Strategy, creditworthiness criteria and updated list of counterparties.

Minute 165 - A Clean Growth Vision for Development in the West of the District

To help to set a clear framework for transitioning to a net zero economy and to ensure that the potential to develop a creative/digital hub could be explored.

Minute 166 - Programme of Meetings 2022/2023

the draft meetings timetable be referred for approval to the annual meeting of the Council.

Audit and Governance Committee – 20th January 2022

Minute 32 - External Audit Appointment from 2023/24

1. Accept Public Sector Audit Appointments' invitation to opt into the sector-led option for the appointment of external auditors to principal local government and police bodies for five financial years from 1 April 2023, and
2. Authorise the Strategic Lead Finance to opt in to the national scheme for auditor appointments for the provision of external audit services starting with the audit of the 2023/24 accounts.

Personnel Committee 27th January

Minute 22 - Pay Policy Statement 2022/23

That the Pay Policy Statement for April 22 – March 23 be adopted.

Personnel Committee – 18th February 2022

Minute 31 - Reward Review Next Steps

That further external consultancy work be undertaken on the Reward Review in line with the revised costs set out in the report to the Personnel Committee, of between £37k and £44.5k from the £450k assigned for costs associated with the General Fund, as set out in the proposed budget for 2022/23.

Strata Joint Executive Committee – 19th January 2022

Minute 6 - Change to terms of reference

East Devon District Council, Exeter City Council and Teignbridge District Council agree that Strata's Joint Executive Committee terms of reference be amended to allow for the officer representation to be the Chief Executive or their nominee of the three constituent authorities (rather than the Chief Executive).

Minute 8 - Strata Business Plan

That the following be approved by East Devon District Council, Exeter City Council and Teignbridge District Council Full Councils:-

(1) The interim Strata Business Plan noting that a new version of the Strata Business Plan would be completed and brought back for approval once the three authorities had undertaken their Digital and IT Strategy work and Agilisys had completed their review of Strata;

(2) The provision of the PowerBI Premium of £70,000, this to be apportioned to the three authorities as per the percentages in the Strata Contract;

(3) The total Strata Services Solutions Ltd budget of £7,371,549 as portioned below:-

- East Devon District Council - £2,866,318
- Exeter City Council – £2,444,655
- Teignbridge District Council - £2,060,576; and

(4) Capital requirements budget for the next 12 months of:

Public Switched Telephone Network Replacement - Exeter City Council - £40,000

Exeter City Council Civic Centre HFX Door Access Replacement - £100,000

System upgrade costs – 2012 server replacement - £100,000 apportioned as below:-

- Exeter City Council - £35,936
- East Devon District Council - £36,692
- Teignbridge District Council - £27,372

Geographic Information Systems Cloud Migration £10,000 apportioned as below:-

- Exeter City Council - £3,594
- East Devon District Council - £3,669
- Teignbridge District Council - £2,737

Authority:

Decision of Council on 26th July 2021 to delegate decision making to officers until 23.59 17th January 2022. [Minutes 26th July 2021 Council Meeting.](#)

Senior Officer Decision of 10th December 2021 to implement Council's wish to extend the arrangements until 23.59 on 10th May 2022. [Senior Officer Decision Record 10th December 2021](#)



Officer Decision

Consultations:

I was present at the recording of the consultative meeting which considered this item

Yes No

Detail any other consultations carried out:

N/A

Other considerations:

Do the legal and finance comments and equalities impact, climate change and risk assessments as detailed in the officer reports remain the same.

Yes No

If no, provide the updated assessment below;

Decision:

To approve the recommendations as detailed in the Recommendation section above.

Reasons for decision:

The consultative meeting of the Council considered the minutes of all the various meetings and recommended they be approved. There is nothing I am aware of that suggests any alternative decision should be taken.



Signed Dated: 1st March 2022

Senior Officer job title and name:

Mark Williams, Chief Executive

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