

**RECORD OF DECISIONS – CABINET 23 JULY 2015**

Non -Key	<p><b>Agenda item 7 – Land Clearance at Broxted</b></p> <p>To approve expenditure of fund to an amount up to £16,000 plus VAT for the payment of professional fees to a certified enforcement agent for direct action to clear land at Brick End, Broxted.</p>	<p><b>Reasons:</b> following unsuccessful attempts by the Council to ensure the landowner complied with enforcement notices dated 2 June 2013 and 30 January 2014, to enable direct action to be taken to secure clearance of the land.</p> <p><b>Other options considered and rejected:</b> none.</p> <p><b>Any interest declared by any member of Cabinet:</b> none</p> <p><b>In respect of any conflict of interest declared, whether dispensation is in existence for that interest:</b> n/a</p>
Non- Key	<p><b>Agenda item 8 – Allocations Policy</b></p> <p>To agree the following amendments to the Council’s allocations policy:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. incorporate The Right to Move into the Allocations Policy (Appendix III)</li> <li>b. equalise the qualification period for residence and employment within the district to 3 years (5.2.iii)</li> <li>c. add clarification that tenants have to have lived in a flat for more than 2 years and have conducted their current tenancy in a satisfactory manner (8.2.4)</li> <li>d. add clarification on the eligibility criteria and</li> </ul>	<p><b>Reasons:</b> to incorporate into the housing allocations policy new government legislation and provide consequential clarification of the policy.</p> <p><b>Other options considered and rejected:</b> none</p> <p><b>Any interest declared by any member of Cabinet:</b> none</p> <p><b>In respect of any conflict of interest declared, whether in existence for that interest:</b> n/a</p>

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	<p>the allocation of properties on rural exception sites</p> <p>e. to substitute for the wording “planning agreement” in Appendix II second paragraph, the wording “planning obligation”.</p>	
Non-Key	<p><b>Agenda item 9 – Replacement Essex Waste Local Plan</b></p> <p>That the Council’s response to consultation be as set out in appendix 2 to the report, and additionally that officers be requested to add to the response points in relation to the proposed Elsenham allocation about proximity to listed buildings and the cumulative impact of the existing mineral extraction, the proposed inert waste recycling and the existing operation at Gaunts End; and that weight restrictions for traffic approaching from Grove Hill be reinforced.</p>	<p><b>Reasons:</b> to prepare a replacement development plan, the key elements of which would be as below, and with the intention that the principle that self-sufficiency should not extend to hazardous waste if more acceptable sites outside Essex can be identified:</p> <p>having enough transfer recycling, recovery and disposal capacity to manage the waste generated within the county, with only minor cross border movements where practicable; support for the waste hierarchy; managing a reducing proportion of London’s waste.</p> <p><b>Other options considered and rejected:</b> none.</p> <p><b>Any interest declared by any member of Cabinet:</b> none.</p> <p><b>In respect of any conflict of interest declared, whether dispensation is in existence for that interest:</b> n/a.</p>
Non- Key	<p><b>Agenda item 10 – Buildings at Risk</b></p>	<p><b>Reasons:</b> to give an update on listed buildings at risk within the district, and to seek endorsement of officers’ proactive</p>

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	<p>To note the report and to endorse proactive working with owners to restore buildings and bring them back to use.</p>	<p>approach to initiate action towards securing their long-term conservation.</p> <p><b>Other options considered and rejected:</b> none.</p> <p><b>Any interest declared by any member of Cabinet:</b> none</p> <p><b>In respect of any conflict of interest declared, whether dispensation in existence for that interest:</b> n/a.</p>
Non - Key	<p><b>Agenda item 12 – Council Tax Write Off and Housing Benefit Penalties Policy</b></p> <p>To approve the introduction of the Council Tax and Housing Benefit Civil Penalties policy as set out in the appendix to the report.</p>	<p><b>Reasons:</b> to implement a penalty policy for those customers who fail to advise the Council of a change in circumstance which affects a discount, benefit or exemption or who fail to respond to a request for information relating to those allowances.</p> <p><b>Other options considered and rejected:</b> none.</p> <p><b>Any interest declared by any member of Cabinet:</b> none.</p> <p><b>In respect of any conflict of interest declared, whether dispensation in existence for that interest:</b> n/a</p>
Non- Key	<p><b>Agenda item 13 – Assets of Community Value</b></p> <p>To agree to include the following on the Assets of Community Value list:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Three Willows Public House, Birchanger</li> <li>• Birchanger Social Club and Field</li> <li>• Birchanger Village Sign</li> </ul>	<p><b>Reasons:</b> As a requirement of section 87 of the Localism Act 2011, the council to maintain a list of land in its area that is land of community value</p> <p><b>Other options considered and rejected:</b> none.</p> <p><b>Any interest declared by any member of Cabinet:</b> none.</p> <p><b>In respect of any conflict of interest declared, whether</b></p>

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Key Part 2 item	<p><b>Agenda item 15 – Building Control Project</b> (exempt from publication)</p> <p>To commit to joining the Essex Building Control project subject to there being a critical mass of participating councils.</p>	<p><b>dispensation in existence for that interest: n/a</b></p> <p><b>Reasons:</b></p> <p><b>Other options considered and rejected: none.</b></p> <p><b>Any interest declared by any member of Cabinet: none.</b></p> <p><b>In respect of any conflict of interest declared, whether dispensation in existence for that interest: n/a</b></p>
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