

DECISION LIST

COMMUNITY COMMITTEE MEETING – 16 MARCH 2006

| AGENDA ITEM NO. | ITEM | DECISION | REASON | OFFICER |
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| 4 | PCT, Strategic Health Authority and Ambulance Trust Re-configuration | <p>RESOLVED that:</p> <p>1 the Council's response to the Department of Health's consultation on the re-configuration of Primary Care Trusts be sent on the basis of support for the option of two PCTs for Essex (North Essex and South Essex);</p> <p>2 in its response, the Council express regret for the loss of the Uttlesford PCT as this had enabled the Council to work more effectively and develop better working relationships with local health bodies; it was important to maintain the flexibility to support local partnership working and commissioning in liaison with the health services, particularly as any of the options presented would lead to more remote services; and</p> <p>3 the Council seek to establish a local health forum to work with the new PCT, and with local practice based commissioning and patient groups, in helping to deliver local health services,</p> | To represent the Council's views in responding to the Government's consultation document on health re-organisation. | AS |

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| | | and to endorse the recommendation in the consultation document that current PCT resource allocations be protected until at least 2008. | | |
| 5 | Grant Making Decisions | RESOLVED that the authorisation of the Community Project Grant Scheme be delegated to the Area Panels and that they be given the necessary discretion to vary the criteria subject to exceptional circumstances; the sum of £4,000 would be allocated to each of the four main centres with the remainder of the budgetary provision for 2006/07 split equitably between the three areas. | As part of the Council's policy of devolving decision making to the most local level. | AS |
| 6 | Designated Public Places Order | RECOMMENDED that the Council approve a request for a Designated Public Places Order to deal with anti-social behaviour related to alcohol at the Recreation Ground, the Memorial Gardens and The Spinney in Elsenham. | The order was needed to control regular incidents of alcohol related anti-social behaviour in Elsenham. This action had been endorsed by the South West Area Panel. | FG |
| 7 | Museum Service Acquisition and Disposal Policy | RESOLVED that the Saffron Walden Museum/Uttlesford Museum Service Acquisition and Disposal Policy 2006/11 be approved as submitted to this meeting. | The new policy was required by the new Government accreditation scheme for museums. | CW |
| 8 | Leisure and Cultural Strategy 2006 – 2010 | RESOLVED that the Leisure and Cultural Strategy 2006 – 2010, as prepared by Strategic Leisure Ltd, be adopted. | Strategic Leisure Ltd were appointed as consultants by the former Community and Leisure Committee to prepare this strategy. | GB |

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| 9 | Summer Holiday Programme | RESOLVED that a summer holiday pilot scheme be approved for multi-activity sessions on two days per week between the hours of 10.00am and 1.00pm based on option (a) presented in the report as a first preference and option (b) as a standby course of action. | A pilot scheme was suggested to establish whether there was a market to extend the summer holiday programme and to assess operational requirements. The Leisure Manager would also explore whether a play bus could be incorporated. | GB |
| 10 | Thaxted Day Centre | RESOLVED that the view of the East Area Panel be endorsed that Thaxted Day Centre be rebuilt and extended at an estimated cost of £225,000 and that a scheme be prepared for consideration by the Area Panel in due course. | The building had suffered subsidence in recent years and did not comply with current standards. It was also operating at maximum capacity. Major refurbishment would be needed as a minimum requirement. | RC |
| 12 | Holloway Crescent, Leaden Roding | RESOLVED that further research be conducted in conjunction with an appropriate housing association to prepare a viable scheme to provide an extra care facility at Holloway Crescent, incorporating the adjacent garage site. | This was part of a continuing discussion about the redevelopment of the site at Holloway Crescent to overcome difficulties encountered in letting a number of the units. | SC |
| 13 | Garage Sites Review | RESOLVED that the recommendations of the Housing Strategy Working Group be approved in relation to the future use of those 27 sites listed where garages had been constructed on an ad-hoc basis by previous tenants; detailed proposals would be brought back to the Committee (and area panels) for consideration in due course. | As part of a review intended to assess the development potential of the sites concerned, to maximise the Council's housing resources and to provide more affordable housing. | SC |
| 14 | Any Other Urgent | RESOLVED that a vacant unit at Golds | There were presently eight empty units at | RC |

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| | Business | Enterprise Zone, Elsenham be offered for use to Felsted Aid for Deprived Children, without cost and subject to appropriate terms and conditions. | Golds Enterprise Zone and it was unlikely that all of these would be let in the foreseeable future. | |
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