

## DECISION LIST

### COMMUNITY COMMITTEE MEETING – 6 September 2007

AGENDA ITEM.	ITEM	DECISION	REASON	OFFICER
4	Lead Officers report	The report was noted		
5	Saffron Walden Skate Park	<p>RESOLVED that the committee approve the request from Saffron Walden Town Council to add the area of land shown hatched red on the plan attached to appendix 1 into the existing skate park lease to the Saffron Walden Town Council subject to</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1 the existing covenant for the open space land to be used for sporting purposes be retained but widened to include recreational purposes</li> <li>2 no permanent structures being constructed alongside the leisure centre and Turpins Indoor Bowls club that would preclude development of either of these buildings in the future.</li> <li>3 That the provisions of the existing lease be applied to this area of land ie term of 99 years at a peppercorn rent per annum and a break clause in the year 2034.</li> </ol>	To assist in the management of the land	GB
6	Contribution fund scheme grant and other grant requests	<p>RESOLVED that the committee recommends that</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1 grant allocations for the Contributions Fund Scheme be considered for the setting of draft budgets for 2008/09 with option E being Members preferred option.</li> </ol>	To support voluntary organisations in the district	AS

		<p>2 funding for the Thaxted Festival of £3,500 per annum for the next three years be included in the setting of the draft budgets</p> <p>3 the request by Dunmow Maltings for a £1.000 annual grant contribution for three years towards its day-to-day running costs be considered in the setting of the draft budgets.</p>		
7	Housing policy-development opportunities	<p>RESOLVED that</p> <p>1 the progress is noted by the committee</p> <p>2 the site plans for Coney acre, Rickling and Waldgrooms, Great Dunmow be agreed and planning permission be sought.</p>	To progress housing development on Council owned sites.	SC
8	Tenant Forum minutes	The Minutes of the meeting held on 9 July 2007 were received for information		
9	Uttlesford Play Strategy	RESOLVED that the submission of the play Strategy to the big Lottery be approved.	To enable the bid to be submitted to the L lottery for possible funding.	GB
10	Notice of motion	<p>Resolved that the committee adopt the following notice of motion</p> <p>“The Community Committee of Uttlesford District Council notes that in 2006/07 over 40% of the rent income paid by the Council’s tenants had to be paid over to the Government in the form of Negative Housing Subsidy. The actual figure was £4.24m. The Committee deplores this payment as yet another form of tax, this time on council</p>	To challenge Government policy on negative housing subsidy.	DB

		<p>tenants within Uttlesford, and calls on the Government to take urgent action to remove this unreasonable burden in order for the Council to invest all of its rent income in the maintenance of Uttlesford's housing stock and facilitating new social housing projects for local people. Accordingly, the Committee instructs the Chief Executive to raise this matter with the Government by making appropriate responses to the consultation papers, and as a matter of urgency to arrange a meeting with relevant Members and officers at ministerial level so that the Council's concerns can be addressed and a solution found which is fair to the Council's tenants".</p>		
11	Urgent Item Housing Policy –land at Ashdon	<p>RESOLVED that</p> <p>1 the land is leased to the parish council for an initial period of 12 years with a break clause after 7 years in accordance with the principles outlined by Ashdon Parish Council</p> <p>2 the land be used as open space for free play.</p>	To enable play facilities to be provided for young people in Ashdon	SC