

CAMBRIDGE CITY COUNCIL
Record of Executive Decision

SERVICE PLANS and General Fund Revised Revenue & Capital Budgets 2003/04

Decision of: Councillor Joye Rosenstiel, Executive Councillor
Community Development and Leisure

Reference: 031113/CD&L/30

Date of decision: 13 November 2003 **Recorded on:** 20 November 2003

Decision Type: Not a Key Decision

Matter for Decision: The Service Plans (Parts One and Two) set out the performance over 2002/03 and for the first six months of 2003/04. This information will enable the Scrutiny Committee to consider whether service priorities and resources should be refocused to enable objectives and targets for the current year to be met.

Why the decision had to be made (and any alternative options): The performance of services requires monitoring and Service Plans are the way Scrutiny Committees and the Executive can perform their function as part of the Council's revised Corporate Performance Management process.

The Executive Councillor's decision(s): To note performance against the objectives and targets of the services (shown In Service Plans, Part 2 and Appendix A) that report to this committee for 2002/03 and the first six months of 2003/04

To approve, the revised revenue budgets for 2003/04, as shown in Appendix A for submission to Council, including a request for use of reserves of £488,500.
To seek approval from Council to fund net capital overspends in this year of £4,000 and carry forward resources to fund rephased capital spending of £475,000 from 2003/04 into 2004/05, as detailed in Appendix C, subject to the final outturn position.

Reasons for the decision: These are covered above and in the officer reports

Scrutiny consideration: The Scrutiny Committee considered and approved the recommendations by 6 votes to nil.

Report: Agenda item 5 of the Community Development and Leisure Scrutiny Committee, 13 November 2003

Conflicts of interest: No conflicts of interest were declared by the Executive Councillor

Comments:

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CONSULTATION ON CHANGES TO THE MANAGEMENT OF JOINT USE COMMUNITY CENTRES

Decision of:	Councillor Joye Rosenstiel , Executive Councillor Community Development and Leisure
Reference:	031113/CD&L/31
Date of decision:	13 November 2003 Recorded on: 20 November 2003
Decision Type:	Not a Key Decision
Matter for Decision:	To agree the consultation process for proposed changes to the management of Joint-Use Centres, in schools
Why the decision had to be made (and any alternative options):	The decision to make changes to the management and administration of these facilities was an outcome of the Community Development Best Value Review.
The Executive Councillor's decision(s):	To agree the process for consulting on the future management of Joint-Use facilities, as set out in paragraph 7, subject to consultation with all members of the Council by prior consideration by Area Committees.
Reasons for the decision:	These are covered above
Scrutiny consideration:	The Scrutiny Committee considered and approved the recommendation set out in the report, with the addition of consultation with all members of the Council by prior consideration, by 6 votes to nil.
Report:	Agenda item 6 of the Community Development and Leisure Scrutiny Committee, 13 November 2003
Conflicts of interest:	No conflicts of interest were declared by the Executive Councillor
Comments:	

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AN UPDATE ON BUDGET PERFORMANCE AND PROGRESS OF THE EMPLOYMENT FOUNDATION SCHEME

Decision of:	Councillor Joye Rosenstiel , Executive Councillor Community Development and Leisure
Reference:	031113/CD&L /32
Date of decision:	13 November 2003 Recorded on: 20 November 2003
Decision Type:	Not a Key Decision
Matter for Decision:	To consider the options for both reducing the likely 2003/04 year-end deficit and building a sustainable future for the Employment Foundation Scheme (EFS). To consider the makeup of the EFS Board.
Why the decision had to be made (and any alternative options):	The Employment Foundation Scheme Business Plan scrutinised by committee in July 2003 resulted in the budget performance and service progress being reported, ahead of the new Service Plan in the January cycle. The thorough review had identified that there is a fundamental divergence between the way EFS currently delivers direct training and the evolving requirements of key funding bodies. The Committee had agreed that an interim EFS Board should operate while the makeup of a new Board was reviewed and then Scrutiny Committee and Executive Councillor could consider ratifying the new Board membership.
The Executive Councillor's decision(s):	To agree the actions set out in Option 1 in the report as a means of reducing the financial deficit at EFS and building a viable future for the scheme. To consider a suitably revised Business Plan in January 2004 as part of the Service Plan for ED&T. To reconsider the structure of the Board and its remit in the light of discussion at the committee for approval by the Executive Councillor in consultation with the Chair and Spokesperson.
Reasons for the decision:	These are set out in the officers report. The Committee recommended the structure of the Board reflect the client base.
Scrutiny consideration:	The Scrutiny Committee considered and approved the recommendation as amended by 5 votes to nil.
Report:	Agenda item 7 of the Community Development and Leisure Scrutiny Committee, 3 July 2003

Conflicts of interest: No conflicts of interest were declared by the Executive Councillor

Comments:

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FINANCIAL SUPPORT TO VOLUNTARY AND NOT-FOR-PROFIT ORGANISATIONS 2003-04
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Decision of:	Councillor Joye Rosenstiel , Executive Councillor Community Development and Leisure
Reference:	031113/CD&L33
Date of decision:	13 November 03 Recorded on: 20 November 2003
Decision Type:	Not a Key Decision
Matter for Decision:	To respond to applications for 2003-04 grants from voluntary and not-for-profit organisations working in Community Development, Economic Policy and Leisure...
Why the decision had to be made (and any alternative options):	The decisions are required as part of the Council's overall budgetary framework
The Executive Councillor's decision(s):	To note officer action for grant distribution in Section 3 of the report To approve recommendations for grant distribution in Sections 5.1 and 5.2 of the report
Reasons for the decision:	These are set out in the officers report.
Scrutiny consideration:	The Scrutiny Committee considered and approved the recommendation as amended by 5 votes to nil.
Report:	Agenda item 9 of the Community Development and Leisure Scrutiny Committee, 13 November 2003
Conflicts of interest:	No conflicts of interest were declared by the Executive Councillor, except in relation to an application by Cambridge Cruse of which she was an employee. This application was be determined by the Leader.
Comments:	

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FUTURE OF ARTS STRATEGY POST

Decision of:	Councillor Joye Rosenstiel , Executive Councillor Community Development and Leisure
Reference:	031113/CD&L34
Date of decision:	13 November 2003 Recorded on: 20 November 2003
Decision Type:	Not a Key Decision
Matter for Decision:	How to spend an underspend on the current year's Arts Strategy Budget.
Why the decision had to be made (and any alternative options):	The post was due to end in January 2004 but the postholder left the organisation in October 2003, leaving an underspend in the current year's salary budget. There has also been underspend on the project budget for the post leaving a total of £17,200 in the current year. Of that money £11,000 would come back to the Council.
The Executive Councillor's decision(s):	That £5,000 of underspend in the current year's Arts Strategy budget be spent on finishing the audit of arts provision in the City, with the remainder being spent on projects related to the revised Arts Plan. That strategic work on Arts Strategy issues be incorporated into the Arts and Entertainments Service plan for 2004/05.
Reasons for the decision:	These are set out in the officers report.
Scrutiny consideration:	The Scrutiny Committee considered and approved the recommendation by 6 votes to nil.
Report:	Agenda item 10 of the Community Development and Leisure Scrutiny Committee, 13 November 2003
Conflicts of interest:	No conflicts of interest were declared by the Executive Councillor
Comments:	

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