

**CAMBRIDGE CITY COUNCIL**  
**Record of Executive Decision**

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| <b>Service Plan Performance Review and Revised Revenue &amp; Capital Budgets - (i)<br/>Strategy &amp; Partnerships and (ii) CCTV</b> |
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**Decision of:** Councillor Ian Nimmo-Smith, Leader

**Reference:** 06/STR/26

**Date of decision:** 20 November 2006      **Recorded on:** 21 November 2006

**Decision Type:** A non-key decision.

**Matter for Decision:** The Service Performance Review sets out performance for the first six months of 2006/07, highlighting achievements but also detailing those actions that will, or could, fail to meet targets by the end of the financial year. This information will enable the Executive Councillor 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 Performance Reviews are the way Scrutiny Committees and the Executive can perform their function as part of the Council's corporate performance management process.

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| <p><b>The Leader's decision:</b></p> |
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| <p>To approve the current year funding requests and savings, (shown in Appendix B of the officer report) and the resulting revised revenue budgets for 2006/07 (shown in Appendix A of the officer report) for submission to Council.</p> |
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**Reasons for the decision:** These are explained in the report.

**Scrutiny consideration:** The Scrutiny Committee considered the report and supported the decision of the Leader by 6 votes to 0.

**Report:** Agenda A - Item 5, 20 November 2006.

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

**Comment:**

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**2006/07 Revised Revenue and Capital Budgets - Overview**

**Decision of:** Councillor Ian Nimmo-Smith, Leader

**Reference:** 06/STR/27

**Date of decision:** 20 November 2006      **Recorded on:** 21 November 2006

**Decision Type:** A non-key decision.

**Matter for Decision:** To recommend to Council changes to revenue and capital expenditure for 2006/07.

**Why the decision had to be made (and any alternative options):** The decisions are part of the Council's budgetary cycle.

**The Leader's decisions to recommend to Council:**

**Revenue:**

- a) Approve the recommendation from the Executive Councillor for Planning & Transport - that Council approve the creation of a new earmarked reserve to provide for costs in relation to major planning appeals and transfer the sum of £200,000 into this reserve in the current financial year, funded from general reserves.
- b) Approve the recommendation from the Executive Councillor for Customer Services and Resources - to transfer the Employee Transport Incentive budget from this portfolio to the Planning and Transport portfolio (see paragraph 3.9 of the officer's report).
- c) Approve the current year funding requests of £963,470 and savings of £558,300 (shown in Appendix B of the officer's report) and the revised revenue budgets for 2006/07 (shown in Appendix A of the officer's report), which requires a net additional use of General Fund reserves of £405,170.

**Capital:**

- d) To include the following schemes in the capital plan, for which project appraisals were reported to Customer Services and Resources Scrutiny Committee, meeting on 14<sup>th</sup> November 2006:
  - a. Time Recording and Case Management System: the scheme will cost £30,000, to be funded from Legal Services' repairs and renewals fund.
  - b. Refurbishment of PVCU Factory and Workshop Area: the initial scheme costs equate to £48,000, to be funded from City Services' repairs and renewals fund of £24,000 and income from sale of PVCU plant & equipment of £24,000.
  - c. Implementation of the Guildhall Working Party Proposals, funded from a

temporary use of £600,000 of reserves, on a payback basis i.e. funding for the initial investment will be repaid to reserves from the net income stream generated, on a payback basis, currently projected to be complete by 2015/16, so that there is not net cost to the authority by the end of the payback period. This would not preclude the Council making a subsequent decision to use capital receipts from future asset disposals to effectively repay the use of reserves earlier.

e) Approve the revised Housing Investment Plan for 2006/07 which was reported to Community Services (Housing) and is shown in Appendix E and the associated notes).

**Reasons for the decision:** These are explained in the report.

**Scrutiny consideration:** The Scrutiny Committee considered the report and supported the decisions in the report for the Leader by 6 votes to 0.

**Report:** Agenda A - Item 6, 20 November 2006.

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

**Comment:**

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**Disability Equality Scheme, Equality Policy and Equality Values Statement**

**Decision of:** Councillor Ian Nimmo-Smith, Leader

**Reference:** 06/STR/28

**Date of decision:** 20 November 2006      **Recorded on:** 21 November 2006

**Decision Type:** Non Key decision.

**Matter for Decision:** To approve a new Comprehensive Equalities and Diversity Policy, an Equalities Values Statement and a Disability Equality Scheme for the Council.

**Why the decision had to be made (and any alternative options):** Due to changes in legislation and other details outlined in the officer's report.

**The Leader's decisions:**

- a) To approve the City Council's Comprehensive Equalities and Diversity Policy (CEDP) and Equality Value Statement
- b) To approve the City Council's Disability Equality Scheme (DES) and three-year Action Plan

**Reasons for the decision:** These are explained in the report.

**Scrutiny consideration:** The Scrutiny Committee considered the report and supported the decisions in the report for the Leader by 6 votes to 0.

**Report:** Agenda A - Item 7, 20 November 2006.

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

**Comment:**

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**Anti-Social Behaviour Policy and Procedures - Review**

**Decision of:** Councillor Ian Nimmo-Smith, Leader

**Reference:** 06/STR/29

**Date of decision:** 20 November 2006      **Recorded on:** 21 November 2006

**Decision Type:** A non-key decision.

**Matter for Decision:** To review and amend the Council's policies and procedures.

**Why the decision had to be made (and any alternative options):** The Council's Anti Social Behaviour Policies and Procedures need regular review.

**The Leader's decisions:**

a) to instruct Officers to revise the current Summary document and revised Statement of Policy and Procedures for dealing with Anti-Social Behaviour and Neighbour Nuisance to reflect a reduction in the target time for responding to ASB complaints from 10 to 7 working days in line with the corporate response time for complaints due to come into effect in January 2007.

b) to approve that, in future, consultation on the Policy & Procedures with local residents and members of the commercial sector continues to take place annually and that the results are brought to the Community Safety Briefing held for Members in September. However, major or substantial revisions will continue to come back for scrutiny.

**Reasons for the decision:** These are explained in the report.

**Scrutiny consideration:** The Scrutiny Committee considered the report and supported the decisions of the Leader by 6 votes to 0.

**Report:** Agenda A - Item 8, 20 November 2006.

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

**Comment:**

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**Enforcement Policy Addendum – Fixed Penalty Notices**

**Decision of:** Councillor Ian Nimmo-Smith, Leader

**Reference:** 06/STR/30

**Date of decision:** 20 November 2006      **Recorded on:** 21 November 2006

**Decision Type:** A non-key decision.

**Matter for Decision:** To approve the corporate policy for the use of Fixed Penalty Notices.

**Why the decision had to be made (and any alternative options):** The Council's Enforcement Policy sets out desired standards of conduct, which includes compliance with the Human Rights Act, 1998, the Government's Enforcement Concordat Principles as well as the Council's own equal opportunities policies.

**The Leader's decisions:**

- a) To approve the corporate policy for the use of Fixed Penalty Notices, which will form an appendix to the Council's Enforcement Policy.
- b) To agree that income from Fixed Penalty Notices will be used to protect and enhance the environment under the direction of the Executive Councillor for Environmental Services.
- c) To agree to the Head of Environmental Services leading on a review of the Council's Enforcement Policy.
- d) To agree to the Head of Environmental Services leading on developing a corporate policy for dealing with juvenile offenders.

**Reasons for the decision:** These are explained in the report.

**Scrutiny consideration:** The Scrutiny Committee considered the report and supported the decisions of the Leader by 6 votes to 0.

**Report:** Agenda A - Item 9, 20 November 2006.

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

**Comment:**

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**Domestic Violence Strategy**

**Decision of:** Councillor Ian Nimmo-Smith, Leader

**Reference:** 06/STR/31

**Date of decision:** 20 November 2006      **Recorded on:** 21 November 2006

**Decision Type:** A non key decision.

**Matter for Decision:** To adopt the Cambridge City Domestic Violence Strategy 2006-2008.

**Why the decision had to be made (and any alternative options):** Government published a revised Best Value Performance Indicator (BVPI) for domestic violence in 2005 to highlight the need for Local Authorities to take sustained action in this area. Formerly there was no specific domestic violence BVPI for district councils.

**The Leader's decisions:**

To adopt the Cambridge City Domestic Violence Strategy 2006-2008 as presented to be implemented by Community Services. (Appendix A of the officer's report)

**Reasons for the decision:** These are explained in the report.

**Scrutiny consideration:** The Scrutiny Committee considered the report and supported the decisions of the Leader by votes 6 to 0.

**Report:** Agenda A - Item 10, 20 November 2006.

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

**Comment:**

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**Mapping Poverty**

**Decision of:** Councillor Ian Nimmo-Smith, Leader

**Reference:** 06/STR/32

**Date of decision:** 20 November 2006      **Recorded on:** 21 November 2006

**Decision Type:** A non-key decision.

**Matter for Decision:** To consider and approve how to use the information obtained from the Mapping Poverty project.

**Why the decision had to be made (and any alternative options):** Now that the results of the 2006 exercise had been completed, the Council needs to agree how it uses the information.

**The Leader's decisions:**

- a) To approve the actions for the future use of the research shown in 7.1 of the officer's report
- b) To repeat the research in 2008, covered in 7.2 of the officer's report
- c) To promote measures to tackle poverty and social exclusion within Cambridge's Local Area Agreement and Cambridge City's next Sustainable Community Strategy

**Reasons for the decision:** These are explained in the report.

**Scrutiny consideration:** The Scrutiny Committee considered the report and supported the decisions of the Leader by 6 votes to 0.

**Report:** Agenda A - Item 11, 20 November 2006.

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

**Comment:**

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**Local Area Agreement – Annual Refresh**

**Decision of:** Councillor Ian Nimmo-Smith, Leader

**Reference:** 06/STR/33

**Date of decision:** 20 November 2006      **Recorded on:** November 2006

**Decision Type:** A non-key decision.

**Matter for Decision:** To approve changes to the Local Area Agreement (LAA) as part of the first year's refresh at the meeting of the LAA Board on 22 November.

**Why the decision had to be made (and any alternative options):** The LAA is required to be 'refreshed' annually.

**The Leader's decisions:**

To consider the comments made by the Committee when discussing the refresh document and options to develop scrutiny at the LAA Board meeting on 22 November.

**Reasons for the decision:** These are explained in the report.

**Scrutiny consideration:** The Scrutiny Committee considered the report and the Leader noted their comments.

**Report:** Agenda A - Item 12, 20 November 2006.

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

**Comment:**