

# CAMBRIDGE CITY COUNCIL

## Record of Decisions

### Propagation Centre: Closure and future procurement of plants and associated services

<b>Decision of:</b>	Councillor Nimmo-Smith, Leader (In the absence of Councillor Smith, Executive Councillor for Arts & Recreation)		
<b>Reference:</b>	07/CS/		
<b>Date of decision:</b>	19 July 2007	<b>Recorded on:</b>	19 July 2007
<b>Decision Type:</b>	Non-Key Decision.		
<b>Matter for Decision:</b>	This report outlines the reasons for considering closure of the propagation centre at Cherry Hinton Hall park and arrangements for the procurement of bedding plants, interior landscaping and mayoral / civic floral displays from external suppliers.		
<b>Why the decision had to be made (and any alternative options):</b>	For most of its operational life the propagation centre has been included as part of the ground maintenance contracts trading account, but since the end of compulsory competitive tendering in 2000, it has been reported as a separate cost centre and from 2003/04 to date significant losses have accrued		
<b>The Executive Councillor's decision(s):</b>	The Executive Councillor is recommended: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• To approve the closure of the propagation centre at Cherry Hinton Hall Park.</li><li>• To agree to the arrangements for procuring external suppliers for plants through an initial one year contract via three written estimates in accordance with the Constitution set out in para. 9.3 (8) of part three of the Constitution.</li><li>• To agree to cease use of bedding plants at the sites shown in appendix B and replacing with permanent floral displays.</li><li>• To note that a report will come to the next meeting of the Scrutiny Committee with details of funding for demolition and to consider options for the future use of the site.</li></ul>		
<b>Reasons for the decision:</b>	As set out in the officers' report		
<b>Scrutiny consideration:</b>	The Scrutiny Committee did not request pre-scrutiny of this decision.		
<b>Report:</b>	Item 3, Agenda B (A&R) of the Community Services Scrutiny Committee on 12 July 2007		
<b>Conflicts of interest:</b>	No conflicts of interest were declared by the Executive Councillor.		
<b>Comments:</b>			

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### Applications for funding from the Arts Theatre and the Junction

<b>Decision of:</b>	Councillor Nimmo-Smith, Leader (In the absence of Councillor Smith, Executive Councillor for Arts & Recreation)		
<b>Reference:</b>	07/CS/		
<b>Date of decision:</b>	19 June 2007	<b>Recorded on:</b>	19 June 2007
<b>Decision Type:</b>	Non-Key Decision.		
<b>Matter for Decision:</b>	To determine applications to the Leisure Future Fund have been received from the Cambridge Arts Theatre and the Junction CDC.		
<b>Why the decision had to be made (and any alternative options):</b>	This report set out applications from voluntary and not for profit organisations for leisure funding.		
<b>The Executive Councillor's decision(s):</b>	<b>Agreed:</b>	The Executive Councillor is recommended to approve the following grants from the 2007-08 Future Fund: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ £5,000 contribution to the costs of feasibility studies on the expansion of Cambridge Arts Theatre's front of house facilities.</li><li>▪ £10,000 to enable the Junction CDC to hire a fundraising consultancy to pursue commercial sponsorship.</li></ul>	
<b>Reasons for the decision:</b>	As set out in the officer's report		
<b>Scrutiny consideration:</b>	The Scrutiny Committee did not request pre-scrutiny of this decision.		
<b>Report:</b>	Item 2, Agenda B (A&R) of the Community Services Scrutiny Committee on 19 July 2007		
<b>Conflicts of interest:</b>	No conflicts of interest were declared by the Executive Councillor.		
<b>Comments:</b>			