

SUMMARY OF DECISIONS

Meeting:	Environment & Economy Select Committee	
Date:	Monday, 12 November 2018	
Place:	Shimkent Room - Daneshill House, Danestrete	
Members Present:	Councillors:	Michael Downing, Matthew Hurst, Lloyd Briscoe, Jim Brown, David Cullen, James Fraser, Lizzy Kelly, Andy McGuinness, Adam Mitchell CC and Sarah-Jane Potter

1	APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST	
	<p>Apologies for Absence were received from Councillor Simon Speller.</p> <p>Councillor Dave Cullen declared an interest in item 3 – Licence to Occupy as a holder of a Licence to Cultivate.</p> <p>Councillors Matthew Hurst and Adam Mitchell also declared interests in item 3 as members of an organisation with a Grant to Occupy.</p>	
2	MINUTES - 18 OCTOBER 2018	
	<p>It was RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Environment and Economy Select Committee held on 18 October be approved subject to the following amendments:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Page 6 – 1st bullet point be amended to read “Unlike previous arrangements, the new timetable had a repeating pattern that made it easier for passengers” • Page 7 – in relation to the Hertford Loop the words “at the station” at the end of the first paragraph be deleted. 	
3	LICENCE TO OCCUPY	
	<p>Craig Miller, Assistant Director Stevenage Direct Services gave a presentation to the Committee on Licence to Occupy which allows the licensee to maintain council owned amenity land.</p>	

	<p>The Committee was pleased to note the proposals for a review and improvement of the process which would dramatically reduce the time for licence applications and were supportive of the Assistant Director's plans to consult with interested parties on the proposals.</p> <p>It was RESOLVED that support be given to the Assistant Director Stevenage Direct Services to start the consultation process on the proposals to review the Licence to Occupy process.</p>
4	URGENT PART 1 BUSINESS
	None.
5	EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS
	<p>It was RESOLVED:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. That, under Section 100(A) of the Local Government Act 1972, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as described in paragraphs 1 to 7 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act, as amended by SI 2006 No. 88. 2. That having considered the reasons for the following item being in Part II, it be determined that maintaining the exemption from disclosure of the information contained therein outweighed the public interest in disclosure.
6	STEVENAGE DIRECT SERVICES BUSINESS REVIEW
	The Assistant Director Stevenage Direct Services gave a presentation to the Committee setting out his proposals for the Stevenage Direct Services Business Unit Review.

	<p>The Committee were supportive of the proposals put forward by the Assistant Director and it was RESOLVED that</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. the presentation be noted; and2. the Assistant Director come back to a future meeting of the Committee with an update on the progress of the review.
7	URGENT PART II BUSINESS
	None.