# SUMMARY OF DECISIONS TAKEN

MEETING: Council – Wednesday 6 October 2010 – 19.00 hrs.

Council Chamber, Daneshill House, Stevenage, SG1 1HN

MEMBERS PRESENT: All Councillors with the exception of those with apologies.

ALSO PRESENT: J Jeffries, Stevenage Youth Council

## 1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

An apology for absence was received from Councillor L Harrington

There were no declarations of interest.

#### 2. MINUTES – COUNCIL 14 JULY 2010

Councillor G Clark, the Leader of the Opposition, requested that a question he had asked under Item 7 be recorded in the minutes. It was **RESOLVED** that, subject to the above, the Minutes of the meeting of the Council held on Wednesday 14 July 2010 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Mayor.

#### 3. MAYORS COMMUNICATIONS

The Mayor informed the Council on a range of issues that had occurred since the previous meeting.

## 4. MAIN DEBATE - 'YOUNG AT HEART'

It was **RESOLVED**:

That this Council believes that the health and wellbeing of older people in Stevenage is one of our key priorities and we will continue to shape our services to meet their needs and requirements. We will ensure that older people are consulted on issues that affect them in the future and will continue to value their contributions to our community.

ACTION – Hertfordshire Adult Care Services to be contacted regarding the possibility of arranging a stakeholder event in Stevenage (Aidan Sanderson)

# 5 PETITIONS AND DEPUTATIONS

None.

# 6. QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

Ms C Saint Leitner of Silam Road, Stevenage, made a statement in relation to the question and responses were given by the Executive Member for Environment and Regeneration who advised that a detailed written response would be sent to Mrs Saint Leitner.

ACTIONS – (i) Detailed written response to Ms Saint Leitner (Richard Lovelock)

(ii)Investigate the possibility of retailing black bin bags from Daneshill House reception (Peter Bandy)

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#### 7. LEADER OF THE COUNCILS UPDATE

Councillor G Clark, Leader of the Opposition - History of Stevenage book

Leader of the Council, Councillor S Taylor CC - Space Week, Take Part Pathfinder

The Portfolio Holder for Housing, Councillor P Webb - Connaught

The Portfolio Holder for Children and Young People, Culture, Sport and Leisure, Councillor H Burrell - Hertfordshire Sports Partnerships Awards, Children's Play Schemes, Ryder Cup

The Portfolio Holder for Environment and Regeneration, Councillor J Gardner - Old Town Parking Scheme.

The Portfolio Holder for Resources, Councillor Joan Lloyd - Revenue and Benefits

The Portfolio Holder for Safer and Stronger Communities, Councillor R Henry - Policing Bill.

ACTIONS – (i) Written response to the Leader of the Opposition on questions relating to the History of Stevenage publication. (Richard Lovelock)

(ii) Letter of congratulations to Ian Poulter from the Mayor (Tracey Frost)

#### 8. NOTICE OF MOTIONS

#### It was **RESOLVED**:

That this Council -

- i) Strongly supports the campaign to build a radiotherapy unit at the Lister Hospital in Stevenage.
- ii) Welcomes the progress that has been made at the Lister in recent years and the significantly better results and outcomes that this has achieved, particularly in the treatment of cancer but believes that a radiotherapy unit was the next step to ensuring patients receive the treatment they need close to home.
- iii) Calls upon the Minister for Health to consider the funding of a radiotherapy unit at Stevenage as an urgent priority for the benefit of the residents of North and East Hertfordshire.

## 9. QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS TO COMMITTEE CHAIRS/PORTFOLIO HOLDERS

None.

# 10. MATTER REFERRED FROM EXECUTIVE – TREASURY MANAGEMENT REVIEW 2009/10

It was moved, seconded and **RESOLVED** that the 2009/10 Treasury Management Review be approved.

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### 11. MATTER REFERRED FROM EXECUTIVE - NEW EXECUTIVE ARRANGEMENTS

It was noted that in the report para. 3.15.5 should read "Implementation of the new Executive arrangement on 3<sup>rd</sup> day after Council elections in **2011**"

#### It was **RESOLVED**:

- That Council note the statutory requirements of the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007 ('the Act')
  to alter the current Executive Arrangements.
- 2. That Council note that the Government is proposing further amendments to Executive Arrangements and the Act but that these will not be enacted in time to change the statutory requirements which are set out in this report
- 3. That Council authorise a public consultation as set out in 3.7 of the report to inform on its choice of new Executive Arrangements.
- 4. That Council authorise a further report to the Executive on the responses to the consultation exercise.
- 5. That Council convene an Extraordinary meeting in December 2010 to consider a further report setting out the results of the consultation and options for the new form of Executive arrangements to begin in May 2011.

### 12. MATTER REFERRED FROM THE AUDIT COMMITTEE – REVISIONS TO FINANCIAL REGULATIONS

It was moved, seconded and RESOLVED that the Financial Regulations be approved.

# 13. MATTER REFERRED FROM THE GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE – ADOPTION OF BYELAWS FOR ACUPUNCTURE, TATTOOING, SEMI-PERMANENT SKIN COLOURING, COSMETIC PIERCING AND ELECTROLYSIS

It was moved, seconded and **RESOLVED** that the Council adopt the attached byelaws and authorise:

- i) The affixing of the common seal to the attached byelaws; and
- ii) The Head of Environmental Health and Licensing to carry out the necessary procedure and apply to the Secretary of State for confirmation of the new byelaws.

## 14. STATEMENTS OF ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE - 28 JUNE 2010

It was moved, seconded and **RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the Statement of Accounts Audit Committee held on 14 June 2010 be approved.

# 15. AUDIT COMMITTEE - MINUTES - 28 JUNE, 22 JULY AND 6 SEPTEMBER 2010

It was moved, seconded and **RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the Audit Committee held on 28 June, 22 July and the draft minutes of 6 September 2010 be noted.

# 16. URGENT KEY DECISIONS TAKEN BY THE LEADER OF THE COUNCIL - FREE SWIMMING

It was moved, seconded and **RESOLVED** that the report submitted for information in accordance with the provisions of the Council's Constitution concerning a Key Decision taken by the Leader of the Council as a matter of urgency and where the Call-in Procedure was waived by the Chair of the Scrutiny Overview Committee be noted.