

## RESOURCES DECISION MEETING

RECORD OF DECISIONS taken by the Cabinet Member for Resources, Councillor Hugh Mason, at his decision meeting held on Thursday, 13 November 2008 at 4.00pm in the Civic Offices, Portsmouth.

Councillor Luke Stubbs (opposition spokesperson, Conservative Group), Councillor David Horne (opposition spokesperson, Labour Group), and officers were welcomed to the meeting by Councillor Mason.

### 9. Apologies for Absence

There were no apologies for absence.

### 10. Declaration of Members' Interests in Accordance with Standing Order 14 (AI 1)

There were no declarations of interest.

### 11. Budget Monitoring 2008/9- Revenue Cash Limit and Capital Programme (AI 2)

(TAKE IN REPORT)

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DECISIONS:

(1) That the position regarding the revenue forecast for 2008/09 and progress towards meeting the shortfall on the portfolio as set out in the report be noted.

(2) That Heads of Service with forecast outturn deficits be instructed to bring forward an action plan to the next meeting outlining their proposals to bring their service into balance.

(3) That the forecast capital programme expenditure be noted.

### 12. E-Government - ICT Security and Ongoing Investment sector (AI 3)

(TAKE IN REPORT)

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DECISIONS:

(1) That the work required to address the key ICT security risks and Oracle System hardware as detailed below be approved, funded from the existing E.Government Capital Budget:

- The legislative requirement to connect the Government Secure Extranet

- The ICO requirement to encrypt all laptop computers
- The provision of a Secure Web Mail facility
- Replacement hardware to support the Oracle Test System.

(2) That the issue regarding the lack of financial provision for the ongoing maintenance and/or replacement of the E-Gov corporate ICT toolsets be noted.

(3) That it be noted that the E.Government Capital is now fully utilised.

**13. Internal Audit Resources (AI 4)**

(TAKE IN REPORT)

**HAPI**

**DECISIONS:**

(1) That the current progress on the Audit Plan for 2008/9 and the associated risks with not completing the plan be noted.

(2) That the request to the Cabinet to authorise the Section 151 Officer to transfer £60,000 from the contingency provision in 2008/09 to provide additional resource within the Internal Audit team in the current financial year be supported.

(3) That it be acknowledged that from 2009/10 onwards the base budget for Internal Audit needs to be increased by £60,000 per annum in order to increase the permanent establishment of the team and therefore a budget pressure in the sum of £60,000 is recommended for endorsement by the Cabinet for consideration by the City Council at its annual budget meeting in February 2009.

**14. Flagship Editorial Process (AI 5)**

(TAKE IN REPORT)

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**DECISION:**

That the Flagship editorial process be noted.

**15. Efficiency Review Board (AI 6)**

(TAKE IN REPORT)

**HAPI**

**DECISION:**

That the formation of an Efficiency Review Board be approved,

**with membership and terms of reference to be determined as stated in sections 4 and 5 of the report.**

The meeting closed at 5:05pm.

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Councillor Hugh Mason  
Cabinet Member for Resources

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