

**EXECUTIVE MEMBER FOR HOUSING & ADULT SOCIAL SERVICES
ADVISORY PANEL**

TUESDAY, 27 JANUARY 2009

DECISIONS

Set out below is a summary of the decisions taken at the meeting of the Housing and Adult Social Service EMAP held on Tuesday, 27 January 2009. The wording used does not necessarily reflect the actual wording that will appear in the minutes.

Members are reminded that, should they wish to call in a decision, notice must be given to Democracy Support Group no later than 4pm on the second working day after this meeting.

If you have any queries about any matters referred to in this decision sheet please contact Catherine Clarke and Heather Anderson.

**4. RESULTS OF 2008 ANNUAL HOUSING
SATISFACTION SURVEY**

Advice of the Advisory Panel

That the Executive Member be advised to note the results of the 2008 Annual Housing Service Monitor and the proposed follow up focus work and actions.

Decision of the Executive Member

RESOLVED: That the advice of the Advisory Panel be accepted and endorsed.

REASON: To improve the satisfaction levels of tenants with the Housing Service.

**5. OUTCOMES OF THE RESPONSIVE REPAIRS
REVIEW**

Advice of the Advisory Panel

That the Executive Member be advised to consider the report and approve Option 2 in paragraph 21 "accept the new repairs priorities for customers arising from the review process" with an implementation date of 1 April 2009.

Decision of the Executive Member

RESOLVED: That the advice of the Advisory Panel be accepted and endorsed.

REASON: To improve the levels of service offered to customers.

6. AMENDMENTS TO THE LETTINGS POLICY

Advice of the Advisory Panel

That the Executive Member be advised to approve Option 2 – to adopt the changes to the lettings policy as listed in Paragraph 10 of the report.

Decision of the Executive Member

RESOLVED: That the advice of the Advisory Panel be accepted and endorsed.

REASON: To enable the Council to do all it can to increase the quality of life for homeless applicants and reduce the number of homeless applicants living in temporary accommodation.

7. HOME CARE EFFICIENCIES PROJECT – FINAL PROPOSAL

Advice of the Advisory Panel

That the Executive Member be advised to agree the proposed service delivery model.

Decision of the Executive Member

RESOLVED: That the advice of the Advisory Panel be accepted and endorsed.

REASON: To improve outcomes for customers and achieve the required budget savings for 2009-10.

8. REVENUE & CAPITAL BUDGET ESTIMATES 2009/10

Advice of the Advisory Panel

That the Executive Member be advised to:

- (i) agree whether the budget proposals are in line with the Council's priorities.
- (ii) note the comments made by the Advisory Panel on the budget proposals for savings and growth, which have been prepared by Officers and contained in this report, which are intended to form part of the Council's budget to be considered by the Budget Executive on 16 February 2009.
- (iii) note the comments made by the Advisory Panel on the areas for consultation for the revenue budget contained in this report,

which may form part of the Council's budget to be considered by the Budget Executive on 16 February 2009.

- (iv) note the comments made on the capital proposals, which have been prepared by Officers and contained in this report, which are intended to form part of the Council's budget to be considered by the Budget Executive on 16 February 2009.
- (v) note the budget proposals for consultation for Housing & Adult Social Services for 2009/10 contained in this report and listed below and any comments to be submitted to the Budget Executive on 16 February 2009.
 - 2009/10 base budget as set out in paragraph 6
 - Service pressure proposals as set out in Annex 2
 - Savings proposals as set out in Annex 3
 - Fees and charges as set out in Annex 4
 - Other revenue budget options for consultation as set out in Annex 5
 - Options for new capital schemes in Annex 7
 - The HRA budget as set out in Annex 8

Decision of the Executive Member

RESOLVED: That the advice of the Advisory Panel be accepted and endorsed.

REASON: As part of the consultation on the Housing & Adult Social Services budget for 2009/10.

9. HASS DIRECTORATE PLAN 2009-2010

Advice of the Advisory Panel

That the Executive Member be advised to accept Option 1 and approve the Directorate Plan for Housing and Adult Social Services.

Decision of the Executive Member

RESOLVED: That the advice of the Advisory Panel be accepted and endorsed.

REASON: So that the Council's corporate and departmental objectives can be achieved.

**10. IMPROVEMENT PLAN IN RESPONSE TO
COMMISSION FOR SOCIAL CARE INSPECTION
(CSCI) ANNUAL PERFORMANCE
ASSESSMENT (APA) OF ADULT SOCIAL
SERVICES 2007/8**

Advice of the Advisory Panel

That the Executive Member be advised to:

- (i) Approve the improvement plan attached as Annex 1
- (ii) Agree to receive a progress report on the improvement plan at the meeting in June 2009.

Decision of the Executive Member

RESOLVED: That the advice of the Advisory Panel be accepted and endorsed.

REASON: To enable progress to be made on the key areas for development and to ensure ongoing and effective Member scrutiny of the improvement plan.

