DECISION SESSION - EXECUTIVE MEMBER FOR HOUSING & SAFER NEIGHBOURHOODS

MONDAY, 20 NOVEMBER 2017

DECISIONS

Set out below is a summary of the decisions taken at the meeting of the Decision Session Executive Member for Housing and Safer Neighbourhoods held on Monday, 20 November 2017. 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 Louise Cook & Catherine Clarke (job-share).

4. GARDEN ASSISTANCE SCHEME PROCUREMENT / BUDGET SAVING

Resolved: That option B be approved:

Procuring a grass and hedge cutting service as part of the wider Handyperson Service to deliver savings of £46,000 whilst providing a similar service for customers on benefits and those allowed on to the scheme on a discretionary basis. Develop other options for customers unable to find other means to manage their gardens in the longer term who don't qualify.

Reason:

Consultation suggests that over half of customers receiving this service are not prepared to pay for it and this proposal delivers a similar service for most existing customers at no cost to them.