

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
RECORD OF DECISIONS**

Date/Time of Meeting	In attendance	Also in attendance	Apologies	Declarations of Interest		
				Executive	Other	Officers
15 th January 2020 From 6.30 pm to 7.15 pm	Councillor Russell Roberts (Leader) Cllr Lesley Thurland (Deputy Leader) Councillor Lloyd Bunday (Finance) Councillor Mark Dearing (Regeneration) Councillor Scott Edwards (Community, Leisure and Youth) Councillor David Howes (Rural) Councillor Ian Jelley (Strategic Delivery and Environment) Councillor Mark Rowley (Housing and Communications)	Cllr John Currall Cllr Ash Davies Cllr Andrew Dutton Cllr Maggie Don Cllr Jim Hakewill Cllr Anne Lee Cllr Mick Scrimshaw Cllr Shirley Stanton Cllr Margaret Talbot Cllr Mike Tebbutt	None	None	None	None

IMPORTANT NOTE

PLEASE NOTE: Decisions will become effective after 5.30 pm on 24th January 2020 unless a request to call-in the decision has been made by then. Urgent items are exempt from call-in.

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Minute No.	Forward Plan Ref No. <i>(if applicable)</i>	Agenda Item	MINUTES
19.EX.47	-	3	
RESOLVED			That the minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 4 th December 2019 be approved and signed as a correct record.

Minute No.	Forward Plan Ref No. <i>(if applicable)</i>	Agenda Item	WORK PROGRAMME
19.EX.48	-	9	
RESOLVED			The Council's draft work programme to be published on 17 th January 2020 be noted.

Minute No.	Forward Plan Ref No. <i>(if applicable)</i>	Agenda Item	DRAFT BUDGET PROPOSALS FOR 2020/21 AND MEDIUM TERM FINANCIAL STRATEGY
19.EX.49	A19/012	10	
SPEAKERS			Cllr Anne Lee Cllr Jim Hakewill Cllr Mick Scrimshaw
RESOLVED			<p>That the Executive Committee:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) Referred the draft budgets for 2020/21 (as contained in the separate budget booklet) to Scrutiny for comment in accordance with the Council's Constitution. ii) Noted the current budget position for 2019/20. iii) Recognised that the task of balancing the budget in future years is becoming increasingly difficult especially in the light of increasing service pressures, a national review of the Business Rates Retention Scheme and the Government review of the Fair Funding Formula. iv) Noted that the budget consultation period will run from 15th January 2020 to 26th February 2020. The budgets and level of Council Tax for 2020/21 will be set at a meeting of Full Council on 26th February 2020. <p>Recommended to Council;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> v) That the Leader of the Council and the Managing Director represent the Council on the Business Rates Pilot Board, and be given authority, in consultation with the S151 Officer, to determine proposals for the allocation of business rates, in line with the specified projects approved by the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government. vi) That responsibility be delegated to the Managing Director (in consultation with the Leader and the S151 Officer) to contribute up to £2.4m in total to the Future Northants Programme in order for the Local Government Reorganisation project to proceed in line with legislative requirements.
REASONS			To start the Council's formal budget consultation process and refer the draft budget to Scrutiny.
ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED			None.

Minute No.	Forward Plan Ref No. <i>(if applicable)</i>	Agenda Item	ELECTRICITY PROCUREMENT – MINIMISING THE IMPACT ON CLIMATE CHANGE AND THE BUDGET
19.EX.50	A19/029	11	
SPEAKERS		Cllr Mick Scrimshaw	
RESOLVED		<p>That the Executive Committee:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) Noted the Council's approach to electricity procurement and the continuing efforts it was taking to reduce its energy usage to lower its impact on the environment and the Council's budget; and ii) Delegated authority to the Managing Director in consultation with the Strategic Management Team to award a contract for the supply of electricity to the portfolio of sites it owns for up to four years from October 2020 in line with the requirements that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) The contract is for the supply of 100% 'Green Energy' from renewable sources; (b) A public sector framework agreement is used that ensures the contract award is compliant with the relevant procurement legislation and best practice in energy procurement is followed; (c) That the contract award can clearly demonstrate value for money; (d) That any award considers the implications of the emerging local government reform agenda. 	
REASONS		KBC's current contract for electricity expires at the end of September 2020 with a decision required as to how best to proceed with the supply of electricity to avoid "out of contract" rates.	
ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Do nothing: This is not considered a viable option. Out of contract rates for electricity tend to be at least double contracted rates. This option should be avoided. b. Purchase electricity direct from the market: This is not considered viable as it would be too onerous to complete a compliant procurement process and secure the necessary benefits. This is particularly the case given Kettering's relatively small demand for electricity. c. Procure the same grade of electricity through a framework agreement: This is considered a viable option. However, given the Council's climate change commitments, this is not recommended. 	

Minute No.	Forward Plan Plan Ref No. <i>(if applicable)</i>	Agenda Item	SCOTT ROAD AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES
19.EX.51	A19/030	12	
SPEAKERS		Councillor Maggie Don	
RESOLVED		<p>That the Executive Committee:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) Approved the award of contract to Perfect Circle for the Professional Services to support the Scott Road New Build Scheme through the Scape framework; and. ii) Delegated authority to the Chief Legal Officer (Head of Democratic and Legal Services) in consultation with the Head of Housing to conclude and sign the contracts with Perfect Circle. 	
REASONS		To obtain Professional Services to support the Scott Road New Build Scheme	
ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED		None at this stage	