**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

**RECORD OF DECISIONS**

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| **Date/Time of Meeting** | **In attendance** | **Also in attendance** | **Apologies** | **Declarations of Interest** | | |
| **Executive** | **Other** | **Officers** |
| 12th June  2013  From 7.00 pm to 8.06 pm | Councillor Russell Roberts (Leader of the Council)  Councillor Christopher Lamb (Deputy Leader of the Council & Planning & Growth)  Councillor Mary Malin (Corporate)  Councillor Ian Jelley (Finance)  Councillor Michael Brown  (Communications and ICT)  Councillor Steve Bellamy  (Housing)  Councillor Terry Freer  (East of Kettering)  Councillor Jan Smith  Communities and Leisure  Councillor Derek Zanger (Regeneration) | The Mayor  Councillor Dave Bishop  Councillor Lloyd Bunday  Councillor June Derbyshire | Councillor Mark Dearing  (Environment) | Councillor Steve Bellamy  (pecuniary interest as a potential business partner with Kettering Conference Centre) | None | None |

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| **IMPORTANT NOTE**  **PLEASE NOTE: Decisions will become effective after 5.30 pm on Tuesday, 25th June 2013 unless a request to call-in the decision has been made by then. Urgent items are exempt from call-in.**  **The minutes of the above meeting, after approval, are available on the Council's website at www.kettering.gov.uk** |

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| **Minute No.** | **Forward Plan**  **Ref No.**  *(if applicable)* | **Agenda Item** | **TOWN AND PARISH COUNCIL FUNDING**  ***(referred from Forums and/or Kettering Youth Council)*** |
| 13.EX.04 | - | 7 |
|  | | It was noted that the Rural Forum had RESOLVED that:-  *"the Executive Committee be asked to explain to residents in rural areas how and why the decision had been made to withdraw town and parish council grant funding from 2014 and that an item be placed on the agenda for the next meeting on the communication strategy for disseminating this information to residents in advance of the 2014/15 financial year."*  The Portfolio Holder for Finance explained that this was regarding the decision made by the Executive to give 12 months notice to end the current funding arrangements (effective from 1st April 2014). The decision had been made following a full consultation process, it had been considered and upheld following a call-in request and all Town and Parish Councils had been properly communicated with. It was now considered to be a matter for each Town and Parish Council to decide their future budget and funding arrangements and consult with their electorate accordingly.  The Portfolio Holder for Finance also explained that the Committee will later this year consider how the current funding for village hall grants will operate in the future and that this may give an opportunity for modest amounts of one-off funding to be available for specific capital projects. | |

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| **Minute No.** | **Forward Plan**  **Ref No.**  *(if applicable)* | **Agenda Item** | **THE COUNCIL'S WORK PROGRAMME – 23rd MAY 2013** |
| 13.EX.05 | - | 9 |
| **SPEAKERS** | | None. | |
| **RESOLVED** | | that the Work Programme published on 8th June 2013 be noted. | |

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| **Minute No.** | **Forward Plan**  **Ref No.**  *(if applicable)* | **Agenda Item** | **SUPPORT FOR SPORT APPLICATION FROM VOLLEYBALL ENGLAND**  ***(Councillor Steve Bellamy declared a pecuniary interest in this item and left the meeting room during discussion)*** |
| 13.EX.06 | A13/001 | 12 |
| **SPEAKER** | | The Mayor  Lisa xxxxxxx | |
| **RESOLVED** | | To:  (i) approve the application from Volleyball England for funding of £40,000 over the period 2013-2017 subject to a revised satisfactory Service Level Agreement that continues to secure community benefits, protects current users and ensures that Kettering Borough Council’s support for Volleyball England is recognised.  (ii) give delegated authority to the Head of Community Services to:   1. agree the details of the phasing of the grant payment over the four year period, and 2. finalise the Service Level Agreement and Service Specification. | |
| **REASONS** | | To allow Volleyball England to build on the successes of the last three years  To build upon local economic benefits even further in the coming years for the local community and businesses | |
| **ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED** | | None. | |

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| **Minute No.** | **Forward Plan**  **Ref No.**  *(if applicable)* | **Agenda Item** | **DELIVERING TOWN CENTRES: REGENRATION AND SUITE 16** |
| 13.EX.07 | A09/002 | 10 |
| **SPEAKER** | | None. | |
| **RESOLVED** | | That the Executive Committee:  (i) supports the continued efforts with regard to Phase 4 of the Public Realm, and recognises the importance of ensuring that the feedback from the current public consultation is fed back into the design to deliver the town centre that Kettering deserves.  (ii) recognise the importance of delivering the Soan’s Yards site (‘The Yards’), and support the hard work being undertaken by all parties in ensuring that it is delivered in the near future.  (iii) welcomes the prospect of a successful Purple Flag bid, and understands the significant work being done to ensure that it is delivered.  (iv) endorses the business survey and welcomes the prospect of a deepened understanding of our businesses.  (v) joins us in welcoming Chimichangas to Kettering, and recognises the successful completion of the Market Place Buildings project  (vi) notes the successful bid for capacity funding, and appreciates the need to continue ensuring there is sufficient resource available to deliver the Council’s ambitious growth plans. | |
| **REASONS** | | The projects outlined in the report were, in essence, about delivering a better town centre that was characterful, distinctive and fun. This vision had been externally validated by an independent planning inspector and now sat firmly within the Council's planning policy for Kettering Town Centre. | |
| **ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED** | | None. | |

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| **Minute No.** | **Forward Plan**  **Ref No.**  *(if applicable)* | **Agenda Item** | **MAINTAINING A DURABLE BUDGET** |
| 13.EX.08 | A12/066 | 11 |
|  | | that the Executive Committee:-  (i) note the success the Council has achieved in attracting external funding  (ii) note the Council’s Medium Term Financial Strategy and associated guiding principles  (iii) note the Council’s current Medium Term Financial Forecast and the progress being made for the delivery of efficiency savings for 2013/14 and future years | |
| **REASONS** | | To highlight another example of the success the Council has achieved through attracting external funding and engaging with the community.  To note and apply the Council's Medium Term Financial Strategy and associated guiding principles in maintaining a durable budget. | |
| **ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED** | | None. | |