

Report to: Executive Member for Cleaner,
Greener, Safer

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Report of: Director of Chief Executive's
Department

**Report
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Report Title:

Monitoring of Executive Member Decisions

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Purpose:

The report details the progress of recently taken Executive Member decisions.

The monitoring report will be a regular report to the Executive Member's meeting.

Recommendations:

The Committee is requested to note the report.

Decision:

Noted

Background Doc(s):

Signed:

Leader / Executive
Member

Monitoring Officer

Date:

EXECUTIVE MEMBER FOR CLEANER, GREENER, SAFER

Date of Meeting	Item and Decision	Action and Progress
02/09/08	<p><u>Hulton Lane Redevelopment Proposals(JG)</u></p> <p>The Executive Member ENDORSED –</p> <p>The proposals in relation to the recreational land at Hulton Lane, and authorised the necessary action by Environmental Services to progress, as detailed in the report now submitted.</p>	<p>Brief being developed.</p> <p>On hold due to economic downturn.</p>
24/02/09	<p><u>Queen’s Park Heritage Lottery Bid – Stage Two(SR)</u></p> <p>The Executive Member NOTED –</p> <p>(i) The development of the project so far, and the timescales relating to project submission and outcome notification; and APPROVED in consultation with the Executive Member for Strategy and External Relationships –</p> <p>(ii) The partnership working at Park Road Lodge;</p> <p>(iii) The key components of the proposed scheme.</p> <p>(iv) The project funding proposals, as set out in the report now submitted; and</p> <p>(v) The submission of the Queen’s Park Stage Two application to the Heritage Lottery Fund Parks for People Programme.</p>	<p>Work ongoing.</p> <p>Bid successful.</p>

31/03/09	<p><u>Play Area Strategy(JG)</u></p> <p>The Executive Member for Cleaner, Greener, Safer NOTED –</p> <p>(i) The progress of the implementation of the Play Area Strategy, which includes the refurbishment of existing, and provision of new, facilities; and APPROVED –</p> <p>(ii) The proposed approach to the use of the second year of Playbuilder funding, as outlined in the report, subject to the agreement of the Department of Children, Schools and Families and Play England; and</p> <p>(iii) The proposed use of S.106 funds (not previously approved), as identified in Appendix C of the report.</p>	<p>Play Strategy funding for play areas cut ‘in year’ see report reference EMCGS/131/10</p>
01/06/09	<p><u>Allotments – Service Review(MDR)</u></p> <p>The Executive Member APPROVED –</p> <p>The proposed Allotments Service Review, as detailed in the report now submitted.</p>	<p>Consultation carried out with Allotments JCC. See report 22nd February 2010.</p> <p>PDG’s diared</p>
01/09/09	<p><u>Collection of Garden Waste (DB)</u></p> <p>The Executive Member APPROVED –</p> <p>(i) The reduction in the garden waste collection service from a fortnightly to monthly from December to March; and</p> <p>(ii) The submission of a report on effective composting to a future meeting of the Executive Member.</p>	<p>Reduction took place in 09/10.</p> <p>A report by the WDA on Bolton IVC to come to future meeting.</p>

01/09/09	<p><u>Westhoughton Pretoria Pit (SS)</u></p> <p>The Executive Member APPROVED –</p> <p>(i) The Director of Environmental Services to commission the necessary formal agreement with Bolton Council (Corporate Property Services and Legal Services) and Westhoughton Town Council; and</p> <p>(ii) The Director of Environmental Services to provide supervision and advice in relation to the installation of the Memorial at Ditchfield Gardens, Westhoughton.</p>	In progress.
23/11/09	<p><u>Queen's Park Heritage Lottery Project – Permission to Start (Sue Rigby)</u></p> <p>The Executive Member for Cleaner, Greener, Safer NOTED -</p> <p>(i) The success of the Stage 2 submission to the Heritage Lottery Fund notified in October, 2009; and APPROVED -</p> <p>(ii) The commencement of the project as set out in the Stage 2 submission documents; and</p> <p>(iii) In principle, that Bolton Council enters into contract with the Heritage Lottery Fund to deliver this project.</p>	Playbuilder funding for play area cut 'in year' see report reference EMCGS/131/10.
	<p><u>Commercial Waste – Options Appraisal (Laura Swann/Donna Ball)</u></p>	
	<p>The Executive Member APPROVED -</p>	Discussed at PDG May / June. Further report to go to Executive.

	The Submission of a number of options regarding the future of Commercial Waste Services being submitted to a future meeting of the Executive Member.	
18/01/10	<p><u>The Provision of Christmas Trees Within the Borough of Bolton (Steve Bailey)</u></p> <p>The Executive Member for Cleaner, Greener, Safer APPROVED -</p> <p>(i) The review of the provision of Christmas trees across the Borough on the basis of environmental and financial sustainability; and</p> <p>(ii) The individual recommendations for each location as set out in Appendix C to the report.</p>	Locations agreed with Horwich & West Houghton Town Councils. Preferred location confirmed with Blackrod Town Council. Trees currently being planted.
29/03/10	<p><u>Burglary Reduction Project</u></p> <p>The Executive Member NOTED the progress of the Home Safety and Security Project to date; and APPROVED -</p> <p>The suggested amendments to the Burglary Reduction Project eligibility criteria, as detailed in the report now submitted.</p>	The eligibility criteria has been extended a re-launched. A further launch is planned in Victoria Square on 16th July 2010.
29/03/10	<p><u>Improving Response to Anti-Social Behaviour and Supporting Victims</u></p> <p>The Executive Member APPROVED -</p>	

	<p>Subject to the approval of the Executive Member for Human Resources, Organisational Development and Diversity:-</p> <p>(i) The establishment of an Initial Investigation Officer role within Community Safety Services, supported by the external grant of £54,000;</p> <p>(ii) Development of the role of Victim Champion, supported by a grant of £20,000 for 2010/11;</p> <p>(iii) Development of a vulnerable victims assessment process and panel; and</p>	<p>The post has been graded at Grade 6 and is currently being considered for redeployment.</p> <p>Quotations have been sent from possible providers in line with Council standing orders. The contract has now been awarded to Contour Homes.</p> <p>A victim steering group has been established to develop this work.</p>
	<p>(iv) The re-launch of the Council's Anti-Social Behaviour Report Line.</p>	<p>The launch has been scheduled to take place on Victoria Square on 25th June 2010.</p>
27/07/10	<p><u>Grounds Maintenance Review – Grass Area Maintenance (JS)</u></p> <p>The Executive Member for Cleaner, Greener, Safer APPROVED -</p> <p>(i) The review of the grass cutting element of the Grounds Maintenance Services across the Borough on the basis of environmental and financial sustainability; and</p>	<p>Revised grass cutting regimes have begun to be implemented and no adverse reactions received.</p>

	(ii) The current range of future management and maintenance options, as set out in the report at Appendix A, with any particular Ward concerns being submitted to the Executive Member for Cleaner, Greener, Safer for consideration.	
27/07/10	<p><u>Suspending the Collection of Garden Waste in Winter (DB / MH /LS)</u></p> <p>The Executive Member APPROVED -</p> <p>The suspension of the garden waste collection service from December to March, as detailed in the report now submitted.</p>	<p>In winter of 10 / 11 service will be suspended.</p> <p>Information has been included in the new recycling collection calendar, and residents will be reminded of the suspension with a sticker on the bin in November and in the December scene.</p>
27/07/10	<p><u>The Proposed New Hard to Reach Recycling and Waste Service (DB / MH / LS)</u></p> <p>The Executive Member APPROVED -</p> <p>The implementation of the new Recycling and Waste service to hard to reach properties on the basis described in the report now submitted and that Ward Councillors be briefed on the new arrangements as soon as possible.</p>	<p>Bins were delivered to residents in the first two weeks of October. Forst collections of the new service will start wc 25 October.</p>
31/08/10	<u>Green Waste – Deletion of Unsustainable Properties</u>	

	<p>The Executive Member for Cleaner, Greener, Safer APPROVED –</p> <p>The deletion of unsustainable properties from the green waste collection service and that a home compost bin be offered to those properties, free of charge.</p>	All green bins have been removed from from these properties
31/08/10	<p><u>Introduction of Collection Points for Refuse Services</u></p> <p>The Executive Member for cleaner, Greener, Safer APPROVED –</p> <p>The implementation of the bin collection points, as detailed in the report now submitted.</p>	Will be introduced as and when required according to the methodology described in the report.
31/08/10	<p><u>Pest Control Payment Method Change</u></p> <p>The Executive Member for Cleaner, Greener, Safer be recommended to APPROVE the cessation of the cash collection arrangements for pest control services and the introduction of a pre-payment system through the Council's One Stop Shop facility, as detailed in the report now submitted.</p>	In progress for implementation March 2011.
31/08/10	<p><u>Play Builder Programme</u></p> <p>The Executive member APPROVED -</p> <p>The use of available Section 106 funding, as detailed in the report now submitted.</p>	Scheme in progress
28/09/10	<p><u>Increasing Recycling In Low Participating Areas</u></p> <p>The Executive Member APPROVED –</p> <p>The low participation campaign for recycling, as detailed in the report now submitted.</p>	Work has been completed in the Gilnow area of Rumworth. A door

		knocking campaign was undertaken asking residents about recycling and the local environment. A Beat Sweep was also undertaken in the area, with school and area forum visits. Received over 100 requests for recycling containers and we are currently monitoring the increase in participation. We are now expanding this work to other areas of Rumworth, Crompton and Farnworth.
28/09/10	<u>Allotments – Service Review</u> The Executive Member NOTED - (i) The issues arising from the amendments to the fees and charges for allotments, as previously approved, and the legal advice in relation to that; and APPROVED - (ii) The deferral, as a consequence of the legal advice received, of the implementation of the new service charges for administration, water and toilets pending a further report following the completion of the consultation with tenants and other stakeholders regarding the provision of these services and the future structure of the allotment service fees and charges; AND	3x PDG's regarding self management are diaried.
	(iii) The implementation of the revised fees and charges, as set out in the report now	

	submitted, which includes a 3% inflationary increase upon the 2009/10 fees and charges.	
28/09/10	<p><u>Neighbourhood Services – Savings and Efficiency Review Proposals</u></p> <p>The Executive Member for Cleaner, Greener, Safer APPROVED -</p> <p>The report for consultation purposes with stakeholders, staff and trades unions.</p>	Consultation in progress