COMMUNITY & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE – 21 November 2012

DECISION LIST



ITEM NO.	REPORT REF.	ITEM	ISSUE	DECISION	ACTION BY
1.	-	Public Question Time	To answer questions from members of the public.	One question was received from Mr Kenneth James, relating to agenda item 7 – Ely Riverside Mooring Byelaw, as follows: 'Who does the decking belong to?'	Julie Cornwell
2.	-	Apologies for Absence	-	There were no apologies for absence received.	-
3.	-	Declarations of Interest		There were no declarations of interests from Members on any item on the Agenda.	-

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4.	-	Minutes – 11 September 2012	-	It was resolved: That the Minutes of the meeting held on 11 September 2012 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman, subject to the following amendment to:	-
				Minute No. 39 – Community Facilities and Small Villages Fund (Section 106) Grant Schemes – Page 4 of the minutes. Cllr James Palmer noted that the minutes stated that he was a Member of Soham Town Bowls Club. However, Cllr James Palmer clarified that it was a member of his family that was actually a Member of Soham Town Bowls Club, and not himself.	
5.		Chairman's Announcements		The Chairman made the following announcements: ShapeYourPlace was launched on 5 April 2012 with five web pages covering the district; Ely, Littleport, West Villages, Soham and East Villages and South Villages. Since the launch, the partnership consisting of the District Council, County Council, Police and Fire service have been working hard to promote ShapeYourPlace through community events, parish magazines, posters, flyers and Neighbourhood Panels. Since May there has been over 5000	-
				unique visitors, more than 14,5000 total visits and in excess of 35,000 total page views. Unique visitors have a return rate of 65% showing that the majority of people are returning to the website.	

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				The most common issues raised across the district are waste and recycling, road improvements and general information regarding funding bids and consultations.	
				The Chairman congratulated officers for the success of the ShapeYourPlace website, which he expected would impact on the Neighbourhood Panels and stated that this should be considered when the review was undertaken of the Neighbourhood Panels.	t t
				Informed Members of the 'Ely Christmas Crawl'. To take part it was necessary to collect 4 stickers from participating shops attach those to an entry form, which could then be submitted into a prize draw to win £50 of local shopping vouchers. The Chairman noted it was an example of the District Council supporting traders in Ely.	

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6.	M153	Service Review of Discretionary Rate Relief	To consider the Stage II Discretionary Rate Relief Service Review report.		Julie Cornwell
7.	M154	Ely Riverside Mooring Byelaw	To continue the process of improving the management of Ely riverside by the addition of the land at the Cutter Corner, Slipway and end of Willow Walk within the Byelaw (shown at Appendix A of the officer's report) to enable the Mooring Byelaw to be enforced fairly and consistently along the riverfront in Ely by East Cambridgeshire District Council.	That the Community and Environment Committee: i. Note the results of the consultation on the proposed amendment to the Mooring	Julie Cornwell
8.	M155	Developer Contributions	To consider the process for expenditure of developer	It was resolved: That the Community and Environment	Shirley Blake

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		February 2011 – to date	contributions collected under the Supplementary Planning Document arrangements February 2011 to date.	Committee supports the process for agreeing expenditure of developer contributions collected under the Supplementary Planning Document arrangements February 2011, as set out in paragraph 5.1 of the officer's report, subject to the amendment that proposals for use of emergency services developer contributions should also be considered and decided by the Development and Transport Committee.	
9.	M156	Changes to the Controlled Waste Regulations	To report on changes resulting from revision of the Controlled Waste Regulations 1992, implementation of the power to charge some non-domestic properties by Cambridgeshire County Council and implications to East Cambridgeshire District Council.	It was resolved: That where disposal charges will be applied by Cambridgeshire County Council from April 2013, that the Council regards such collections as trade waste, and arranges alternative providers for service users.	Dave White
10.	M157	Community Fund Grant Scheme	To note the grants offered under delegated powers from the Community Fund grant scheme.	It was resolved: Note that under officer delegated powers the following grants have been offered from the East Cambridgeshire Community Fund Grant Scheme: Community CARTS (ref: 26) - Provide arts development workshops using art forms of graffiti and screen-printing for 11-17 year olds - £1,000 RELATE Cambridge (ref: 27) - Providing counselling services for Adults, families, couples and young people - £1,000	James Nairn

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11.	M158	Key Committee Indicators 6 Month Monitoring Report	To report 6 month performance and actions on Key Committee Indicators	It was resolved: That the Community and Environment Committee note the performance of each of the Key Committee Indicators, as detailed in paragraph 3.2 of the officer's report.	Darren Dixon/Liz Knox
12.	M159	DCLG Supporting Weekly Collections Funding Bid	To update Members on progress in relation to the Council's funding bid.	It was resolved: That the Community and Environment Committee note the current status of the bid.	Dave White
13	M160	Budget Monitoring Report	This report updates Members on the Council's current financial position for 2012/13, based on the reporting period to the end of August 2012. The report covers both the Council's projected revenue and capital expenditure.	It was resolved: That the Community and Environment Committee note that since the last report, a projected overspend of £7,325 has been identified, giving an overall underspend across the Committee's services of £4,315 against the original budget.	Linda Grinnell

Please Note: These decisions will come into effect on Wednesday 5 December 2012 unless any two Members object and call in the decision. The call in must be in writing to the Chief Executive and be received by Wednesday 28 November 2012. Recommendations of the Policy Committee to other bodies (or to Council) cannot be called-in.