CABINET 23 JANUARY 2013

Present :- Councillor Anne Turrell (the Leader of the Council)

(Chairman)

Councillors Lyn Barton, Tina Bourne, Annie Feltham, Martin Hunt (Deputy Leader). Beverley Oxford.

Paul Smith and Tim Young

Also in Attendance: Councillor Nick Barlow

Councillor Kevin Bentley Councillor Mary Blandon Councillor Marcus Harrington

Councillor Jo Hayes
Councillor Kim Naish
Councillor Gerard Oxford
Councillor Colin Sykes
Councillor Laura Sykes
Councillor Dennis Willetts
Councillor Julie Young

52. Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 28 November 2012 were confirmed as a correct record.

53. 2013/14 Revenue Budget, Capital Programme and Medium Term Financial Forecast

The Head of Resource Management submitted a report a copy of which had been circulated to each Member. Cabinet also had before it minute 40 of the meeting of the Finance and Audit Scrutiny Panel meeting on 22 January 2013.

Councillor Smith, Portfolio Holder for Business and Resources, introduced an urgent supplementary paper updating the Head of Resource Management's report.

Councillor Harrington attended and, with the consent of the Chairman, addressed the Cabinet. He welcomed the proposal contained in the supplementary paper to freeze council tax, rather than increase it as was originally proposed. He suggested that the Councillor locality budgets could either be ceased or reduced in order to fund a reduction in council tax. The money used to fund locality budgets would be better used supporting the budgets of all households through a reduction in council tax rather than benefitting a few through the locality budgets.

Councillor Quince attended and, with the consent of the Chairman, addressed the Cabinet. He believed that the decision to not to proceed with the rise in council tax was a political decision and expressed concern that, the administration was using Council

reserves to part fund the freeze. He believed using reserves in this way was poor financial management. The administration had had several months to prepare the budget yet had changed its proposals at the last minute. Neighbouring Conservative authorities were cutting council tax. He called on the administration to make it clear that Councillor allowances would not be increased. He was proud of the role the Conservative group had played in pushing for a council tax freeze and paid tribute to the campaigns by the local media.

Councillor G. Oxford attended and with the consent of the Chairman, addressed the Cabinet. The late change in the budget proposals was a consequence of the full information on which to base decisions only becoming available at a late stage. For example the funding agreement with Essex County Council and Essex Fire Authority had only been signed on 18 January 2013. He praised the efforts of officers in bringing forward an amended budget. He supported the maintenance of locality budgets which were a good example of localism in action.

In response, Councillor Smith, Portfolio Holder for Business and Resources, indicated that the all party Policy Review and Development Panel had recommended that locality budgets be maintained. A number of Conservative authorities were using reserves to contribute to their budgets, on a much larger scale. The funding that allowed the administration to propose a council tax freeze had only been finalised on 18 January 2013 and it would have irresponsible to budget on the basis of verbal assurances.

Councillor T. Young, Portfolio Holder for Planning, Community Safety and Culture, explained that he had not had the opportunity to study the detailed information on which the amended proposals were made or discuss it with the Labour Group. In the circumstances, the Labour members on the Cabinet were not able to vote in favour of the proposed budget. There were good reasons for supporting a rise in council tax. He noted that a number of Conservative authorities had recommended a rise. Freezing council tax was likely to store up problems for the future.

Councillor Smith, Portfolio Holder for Business and Resources, introduced the budget proposals. He indicated that the recommendation at paragraph 1.13 of the Head of Resource Management's report should be amended to exclude paragraph 7.4 of the Treasury Management Strategy Statement. This was because the temporary restriction to the duration limits of investments had now been lifted due to improved data from Europe and improved liquidity in financial markets.

Councillor T. Young, Portfolio Holder for Planning, Community Safety and Culture indicated his support for a number of elements of the budget. The budget proposed a number of growth items, which the public would support. It also made provision for a pay rise for staff, which was richly deserved. In respect of the comments made about Councillor allowances, Council had already agreed to implement the recommendations of the Independent Remuneration Panel. Therefore Councillor allowances fell outside the scope of the budget. It was up to each individual councillor to decide whether to accept the rise in the allowance.

Councillor Turrell, Leader of the Council and Portfolio Holder for Strategy, endorsed the comments on Councillor allowances and thanked officers on behalf of Cabinet for

their work in bringing forward the budget.

RESOLVED (SIX voted FOR and TWO ABSTAINED from voting) that:-

- (a) The outturn for the current financial year, forecast to be an underspend in the region of £250,000, be noted (see paragraph 3.4. of the Head of Resource Management's report).
- (b) The cost pressures, growth items, savings and increased income options identified during the budget forecast process as set out at Appendices B, C and D of the Head of Resource Management's report (as amended to incorporate the additional information contained in the supplementary paper submitted to Cabinet) be approved.
- (c) It be agreed and *RECOMMENDED to COUNCIL* the 2013/14 Revenue Budget requirement of £22,986,000 (as set out in paragraph 6.11 of the Head of Resource Management's report as amended by the supplementary paper submitted to Cabinet) and the underlying detailed budgets set out in summary at Appendix E and Background Papers to the Head of Resource Management's report.
- (d) Revenue Balances for the financial year 2013/14 be set at a minimum of £1,800,000 and that £765,000 of balances be applied to finance items in the 2013/14 revenue budget.
- (e) The provisional Finance Settlement figures set out in Section 7 of the Head of Resource Management's report including the start up figures for the new business rates retention scheme and the arrangements for completion of the required return of estimated business rates income as set out at paragraph 7.19. of the Head of Resource management's report, be agreed.
- (f) The following releases be agreed (see paragraph 10.6 of the Head of Resource Management's report):-
- £200,000 from the Capital Expenditure Reserve in 2013/14 to meet costs including the community stadium.
- £30,000 from the section 106 monitoring reserve
- £102,000 from the Pensions Reserve
- (g) It be agreed and *RECOMMENDED to COUNCIL* that £100,000 of Revenue Balances be earmarked for potential unplanned expenditure within the guidelines set out at paragraph 11.3 of the Head of Resource Management's report.
- (h) It be agreed and *RECOMMENDED to COUNCIL* that Colchester's element of the Council Tax for 2013/14 be set at £175.23 for Band D properties which is a 0% increase (see paragraph 12.2 of the Head of Resource Management's report and the supplementary paper submitted to Cabinet).
- (i) It be noted that the formal resolution from Cabinet to Council will include the Parish, Police, Fire and County Council elements and any change arising from the

formal Finance Settlement announcement in early February 2013, to be prepared in consultation with the Leader of the Council.

- (j) The Medium Term Financial Forecast for the financial years 2013/14 to 2016/17 be noted.
- (k) The position on the Capital Programme shown at section 14 of the Head of Resource Management's report be noted and the following be agreed:-
- the releases set out at paragraph 14.6 of the Head of Resource Management's report.
- to *RECOMMEND to COUNCIL* that the refurbishment of the lift in the Lion Walk Activity Centre be added to the Capital Programme.
- (I) The comments made on the robustness of budget estimates at section 15 of the Head of Resource Management's report be noted.
- (m) The 2013/14 Treasury Management Strategy Statement, Minimum Revenue Provision Policy Statement and Annual Investment Strategy as set out at Appendix I, with the exception of paragraph 7.4 of the Treasury Management Strategy Statement, be approved and *RECOMMENDED to COUNCIL*

REASONS

The reasons for the decisions were set out in detail in the Head of Resource Management's report and the supplementary paper submitted to Cabinet.

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

Various options were investigated at every stage of the budget setting process, due consideration of which was taken in order to meet the objectives of the Council's Strategic Plan.

54. Food Waste Collection Trial

The Head of Street Services submitted a report a copy of which had been circulated to each Member.

Councillor Hunt, Portfolio Holder for Street and Waste Services introduced the proposals in the Head of Street Services report. He paid tribute to the work of Clare Hornsby, Strategy and Performance Officer, for her work in leading the food waste trial. Councillor Hunt also expressed thanks to the members of the Waste and Recycling Options Task and Finish Group for their help and support.

Whilst the receipt of the Weekly Collection Support Fund grant would make the implementation of food waste collection easier, the Council would have proceeded even if the grant had not been received. He drew attention to the scheme to sell liners

for the food waste caddies through local shops and invited councillors to identify suitable local shops.

RESOLVED that:-

- (a) The results of the food waste trial be noted.
- (b) A food waste collection service be introduced for every household in the Borough of Colchester including flats.
- (c) A phased introduction of the food waste collection service be introduced and the collection methods and arrangements be confirmed.
- (d) The use of the Weekly Collection Support Fund grant and the requirement to maintain weekly residual waste collections for the next five years be noted.

REASONS

- (a) To enable officers to plan and implement the introduction of a borough-wide food waste collection service for all households.
- (b) To ensure that the conditions relating to the Weekly Collection Support Fund grant are being adhered to by the Council.

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

The Council must, as a condition of the grant, maintain weekly residual waste collection for the next five years and implement a borough-wide food waste collection service so there can be no alternative to these requirements. However, the Council could choose to implement the borough-wide food waste collection service concurrently to all households in Colchester rather than phasing the introduction.

55. Colchester Localism

Minute 13 of the minutes of the meeting of the Policy Review and Development Panel was referred to Cabinet.

Councillor J. Young, Chairman of Policy Review and Development Panel, addressed the Committee to support the Panel's recommendations in respect of localism and the community rights to challenge and to bid. Localism provided an opportunity for local communities to get involved with influencing and running services. This raised a number of challenges for the Council. There were implications for staffing. There was also the possibility of the Council needing to pay compensation in respect of the community right to bid. However, there were also clear benefits. The leadership role of councillors would be strengthened. The Panel's recommendations had been agreed by all members and so enjoyed cross party support. However, the Council needed to be watchful of the capacity of the third sector. The Council also needed to ensure the same rights were given to communities based on religion or other characteristics, not

just locality based communities.

Councillor Feltham, Portfolio Holder for Communities and Leisure, thanked the Policy Review and Development Panel. The contributions from the Panel and from guests at the meeting of 5 November 2012 had been very helpful. There was considerable enthusiasm for localism in the borough and the Council was already undertaking a wide range of work that fitted in with the localism agenda. The projects contained in the Project Initiation Documents provided a set of options that could be taken forward. She stressed her support for the continuation of locality budgets.

Councillor T. Young expressed concern that third sector organisations such as the Citizen's Advice Bureau and Age UK were struggling and he stressed the importance of continued Council support for such organisations.

RESOLVED that:-

- (a) The approach to Localism in Colchester identified in the report by Executive Director Ian Vipond to the Policy Review and Development Panel be approved;
- (ii) The list of initiatives contained in the Project Initiation Documents attached to the report by Executive Director Ian Vipond to the Policy Review and Development Panel be progressed with a view to implementation by their relevant Portfolio Holders;
- (iii) The benefits of the Councillor Locality Budgets be acknowledged and the allocation of these funds to individual councillors be continued:
- (iv) The building of capacity in communities be explored further by means of the fourth option identified in the report by Executive Director Ian Vipond to the policy Review and Development Panel, namely to connect more directly with the communities, through a range of partners, particularly the Voluntary Sector and community groups to directly enable them to take more decisions.

REASONS

Cabinet valued the Localism agenda and supported the approach to Localism set out in the report to Policy Review and Development Panel meeting on 5 November 2012.

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

It was open to Cabinet not to agree the recommendations of the Policy Review and Development Panel or to agree them with amendments.

56. Localism Act 2011 - Community Right to Challenge

The Monitoring Officer submitted a report a copy of which had been circulated to each Member together with minute 15 of the Policy Review and Development Panel meeting of 5 November 2012.

Councillor Felltham, Portfolio Holder for Communities and Leisure Services, introduced the report and explained the main features of the community right to challenge. Councillor T. Young, Portfolio Holder for Planning, Community Safety and Culture, indicated his support for the proposals but some concern was expressed about the provision allowing "such other persons or bodies as may be specified by the Secretary of State in regulations" to submit an expression of interest. It was noted that no such regulations had been made, but this could potentially lead to bids from organisations which were fronts for private companies.

RESOLVED that:-

- (a) The contents of the Monitoring Officer's report be noted.
- (b) The period specified for the receipt of expression of the interest and timescales set out in Appendix 1 of the Monitoring Officer's report be agreed.
- (c) Any expressions of interest received be reported to the Cabinet once the validation process has been undertaken by Legal Services. Any decision to undertake a procurement process be managed by the relevant Service area in consultation with the Council's procurement team.

REASONS

The Localism Act 2011 introduced with effect from 27 June 2012 a right for Parish Councils, community and voluntary bodies, charitable trusts and two or more local authority employees to submit an expression of interest in taking over the provision of a service on behalf of the local authority. The Act is supported by the Community Right to Challenge (Expressions of Interest and Excluded Services) Regulations 2012 and Statutory Guidance issued by the Secretary of State.

Where a valid expression of interest is received, the Council is required to undertake a procurement exercise for that service, which may lead to a contract for the provision of the service being awarded.

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

The Right to Challenge was a statutory requirement and therefore arrangements to facilitate this needed to put in place. It was open to the Cabinet to agree a different period for the receipt of expressions of interest.

57. Assets of Community Value - Community Right to Bid

The Head of Strategic Policy and Regeneration submitted a report a copy of which had been circulated to each Member together with minute 5 of the meeting of the Policy Review and Development Panel meeting of 5 November 2012.

Councillor Feltham, Portfolio Holder for Communities and Leisure Services, introduced the report and explained the main features of the community right to bid. She explained

that some concern had been expressed that authority to decide whether nominated land should be considered to be an asset of community value would vested in an officer rather than a Councillor. However, the regulations were clear on the matter. Councillor T. Young. Portfolio Holder for Planning, Community Safety and Culture, explained that such decisions would be taken in consultation with the Portfolio Holder with responsibility for planning and the Chairman of the Local Plan Committee.

Councillor Smith, Portfolio Holder for Business and Resources, indicated that that the provisions would help communities protect land from development.

RESOLVED that:-

- (a) The recommendations set out in minute 5 of the meeting of the Policy Review and Development Panel meeting of 5 November 2012 be approved.
- (b) The arrangements set out in paragraph 5 of the Head of Strategic Policy and Regeneration's report be agreed.
- (c) The Monitoring Officer be authorised to make any necessary changes to the Constitution.

REASONS

- (a) The provisions of the Localism Act 2011 and the Assets of Community Value (England) Regulations 2012 place a number of requirements on the Council.
- (b) A report was made to Policy Review and Development Panel on the 5 November 2012 setting out the new legislative requirements and requesting that the Panel made recommendations to Cabinet on the arrangements to be adopted by Colchester Borough Council. The report to Cabinet by the Head of Strategic Policy and Regeneration provided further information on the legislative requirements.

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

The Council is required by legislation to maintain a list of assets of community value and to consider community nominations. The proposed arrangements for processing and considering applications are set out in the proposals section of this report. Alternative options include placing responsibility for these functions within a different section(s) of the Council.

58. Housing Revenue Account Estimates 2013-14

The Head of Strategic Policy and Regeneration submitted a report a copy of which had been circulated to each Member together with minute 40 of the meeting of the Finance and Audit Scrutiny Panel meeting on 22 January 2013.

RESOLVED that:-

- (a) The 2013/14 Housing Revenue Account revenue estimates as set out in Appendix A of the Head of Strategic Policy and Regeneration's report be approved.
- (b) The dwelling rents as calculated in accordance with the rent restructuring formula (set out in paragraph 4.7 of the Head of Strategic Policy and Regeneration's report) be approved.
- (c) The rents for garages as set out in paragraph 4.10 of the Head of Strategic Policy and Regeneration's report be approved.
- (d) The 2013/14 management fee of £3,238,300 for Colchester Borough Homes (CBH) be approved (as set out in paragraph 4.16 of the Head of Strategic Policy and Regeneration's report).
- (e) It be noted that a revenue contribution of £2,812,000 to the Housing Investment Programme is included in the budget (see paragraph 4.30 of the Head of Strategic Policy and Regeneration's report).
- (f) The HRA balances position in Appendix B of the Head of Strategic Policy and Regeneration's report be noted.
- (g) The Medium Term Financial Forecast (MTFF) set out at Appendix C and the 30 Year Housing Revenue Account financial position set out at Appendix E of the Head of Strategic Policy and Regeneration's report

REASONS

Financial Procedures require the Head of Strategic Policy and Regeneration to prepare detailed HRA estimates for approval by the Cabinet, setting the new rent levels for the new financial year.

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

No alternative options were proposed to the Cabinet.

59. Housing Investment Programme 2013-14

The Head of Strategic Policy and Regeneration submitted a report a copy of which had been circulated to each Member together with minute 40 of the meeting of the Finance and Audit Scrutiny Panel meeting on 22 January 2013.

Councillor Bourne, Portfolio Holder for Housing, introduced the report and explained that the Housing Investment Programme demonstrated the administration's commitment to its housing stock and the provision of sheltered housing. It showed the value the administration placed on the provision of services to the vulnerable and those in need.

RESOLVED that:-

- (a) The Housing Investment Programme for 2013-14 be approved.
- (b) The Capital Medium Term Financial Forecast set out at Appendix A to the Head of Strategic Policy and Regeneration's report be noted.

REASONS

Each year as part of the process to agree the Council's revenue and capital estimates the Cabinet is required to agree the allocations to the Housing Stock Investment Programme. These allow for work to be undertaken to maintain, improve, and refurbish the housing stock and its environment.

Following the Cabinet meeting on the 30 November 2011 it was agreed in principle to accept a proposed 5 year Housing Investment Programme (HIP) as the framework for procuring housing related planned works, improvements, responsive and void works and cyclical maintenance, subject to overall budget decisions in January 2012 and annually thereafter.

It was also agreed that the proposed 5 year investment programme would be linked to the Asset Management Strategy and reviewed annually in the light of available resources and for each annual allocation to continue to be brought to Cabinet for approval as part of the overall HIP report.

The Colchester Borough Homes (CBH) Board has been apprised of the content of the Cabinet report submitted on the 30 November 2011 and is now seeking approval for the 2013/14 Capital programme being the second year of the HIP.

The Head of Strategic Policy and Regeneration's report sought the release of funds under grouped headings as described in the Asset Management Strategy and supported by the Deed of Variation which governs the contractual delivery relationship between Colchester Borough Council and Colchester Borough Homes.

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

No alternative options were presented to the Cabinet.

60. Sheltered Housing

Minute 44 of the Council meeting of 6 December 2012 was referred to the Cabinet.

The wording of the petition submitted and considered by Council was noted. However, Cabinet were of the view that this did not take account of the substantial investment made in sheltered housing as set out in the report on the Housing Investment Programme.

RESOLVED that the petition submitted in respect of Sheltered Housing and the Motion approved by Council on 6 December 2012 be noted.

REASONS

The wording of the petition submitted was noted. However, this did not take account of the substantial investment made in sheltered housing as set out in the report on the Housing Investment Programme.

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

No alternative options were presented.

61. Building Works in Conjunction with Colchester Castle Redevelopment Project

The Head of Corporate Management submitted a report a copy of which had been circulated to each Member.

Councillor T. Young, Portfolio Holder for Planning, Community Safety and Culture, explained that the proposals represented substantial investment in one of the Council's greatest assets.

RESOLVED that:-

- (a) It be agreed to proceed with the building works to be undertaken in conjunction with the Colchester Castle redevelopment project.
- (b) It be agreed to enter into a contract with the successful contractor to undertake the aforementioned works.

REASONS

Colchester and Ipswich Museums Service was successful in its second round bid to secure grant funding from the Heritage Lottery Fund (HLF) for a project to redevelop Colchester Castle Museum.

The building works to be undertaken in conjunction with the main redevelopment are necessary partly to facilitate the redevelopment works themselves, but moreover to improve the Castle's accessibility and to bring the existing Castle roof, aging heating and electrical systems, and both customer and staff health and welfare facilities up to modern standards.

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

Decide not to undertake the building works. However, this effectively means that the redevelopment project also cannot go ahead.

62. Half Yearly Performance Report including Progress on Strategic Plan Action Plan Priorities

The Head of Life Opportunities submitted a report a copy of which had been circulated to each Member together with minute 21 of the meeting of the Strategic Overview and Scrutiny Panel meeting of 15 January 2013.

Councillor Bentley, Chairman of Strategic Overview and Scrutiny Panel, attended and with the consent of the Chairman, addressed Cabinet in support of the Panel's recommendations. The Panel had undertaken a thorough review of the performance report to which all Panel members had contributed. Resolution (ii) sought greater clarity to ensure that Councillors and members of the public were better able to understand the figures when performance against indicators was reported. Resolution (iii) reflected concern across the Panel about the sickness figures and the Panel's desire to look into the causes of this. Recommendation (iv) reflected the need for the Council to ensure fair and inclusive access to Council services and locations.

Councillor Turrell, Leader of the Council and Portfolio Holder for Strategy, thanked the Panel for their thorough scrutiny of the report.

RESOLVED that:-

- (a) The Performance Summary for the period up to the end of September 2012 at Appendix 1 of the Head of Life Opportunities' report be noted.
- (b) The progress on the Strategic Plan Action Plan at Appendix 2 of the Head of Life Opportunities' report be noted.
- (c) The recommendation of the Strategic Overview and Scrutiny Panel in respect of angling for the disabled at Highwoods Country Park and Castle Park at its meeting on 15 January 2013 be noted.

REASONS

Part of the Council's performance management framework includes the commitment to report our half yearly performance progress to Strategic Overview and Scrutiny Panel.

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

No alternative options were presented to the Cabinet in the light of the nature of the report.

63. The Re-Procurement of the Services Agreement at the Community Stadium

The Executive Director submitted a report a copy of which had been circulated to each Member.

Councilor Smith, Portfolio Holder for Business and Resources, introduced the report and in particular drew attention to the innovative "Community Yield" scheme set out at paragraph 4.4 of the Head of Strategic Policy and Regeneration's report.

RESOLVED that:-

- (a) Subject to the consideration of the full draft key financial items detailed in the exempt report by the Executive Director included in the agenda for this meeting, the decision of the CCSL Board to approve the draft proposed terms of the re-procured Services Agreement at the Community Stadium be ratified.
- (b) Authority be delegated to the Executive Director Ian Vipond, in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Business and Resources to advise the Board of the Council's view on any final amendments to the Services Agreement which should be substantially in accordance with the draft key financial items detailed in the exempt report together with any necessary consequential amendments to associated leases at the Community Stadium.

REASONS

In August 2008, following independent legal advice, the 5 year concessionary contract at the Community Stadium, in respect of conferencing and banqueting, together with estate management, and known as the Services Agreement, was awarded to Colchester United Football Club (CUFC).

This contract will expire in August 2013, and therefore requires re-procurement in early 2013. After consideration of all options and the potential terms, it is recommended that a ten year Services Agreement is agreed with CUFC.

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

Market test the services and seek another party to perform these services. This would now require a possible extension of one year to the existing Services Agreement to provide sufficient time to re-procure the original concession.

The Council could seek to advise the CCSL Board to renegotiate the terms of the draft Services Agreement on different terms but the current negotiation is believed to have achieved a significantly improved arrangement from the Council's perspective

Neither of the above alternative options was recommended.

64. Progress of Responses to the Public

The Head of Corporate Management submitted a progress sheet a copy of which had been circulated to each Member.

RESOLVED that the contents of the Progress Sheet be noted.

REASONS

The progress sheet was a mechanism by which the Cabinet could ensure that public statements and questions were responded to appropriately and promptly.

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

No alternative options were presented to the Cabinet.

The Cabinet/Panel resolved under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 and the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2000 (as amended) to exclude the public from the meeting for the following item as it involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972.

65. Building Works in Conjunction with Colchester Castle Redevelopment Project

The Head of Corporate Management submitted a report a copy of which had been circulated to each Member.

RESOLVED that the Council enter into a contract with the contractor named in the Head of Corporate Management's report to undertake the works.

REASONS

As set out in minute 61.

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

As set out in minute 61.

The Cabinet/Panel resolved under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 and the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2000 (as amended) to exclude the public from the meeting for the following item as it involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972.

66. Re-Procurement of the Services Agreement at the Community Stadium

The Executive Director submitted a report a copy of which had been circulated to each Member.

RESOLVED that:-

- (a) Subject to the consideration of the full draft key financial items detailed in the exempt report by the Executive Director the decision of the CCSL Board to approve the draft proposed terms of the re-procured Services Agreement at the Community Stadium be ratified.
- (b) Authority be delegated to the Executive Director Ian Vipond, in consultation with

the Portfolio Holder for Business and Resources to advise the Board of the Council's view on any final amendments to the Services Agreement which should be substantially in accordance with the draft key financial items detailed in the exempt report together with any necessary consequential amendments to associated leases at the Community Stadium.

REASONS

As set out in minute 63.

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

As set out in minute 63.