# LEAD MEMBER FOR RESOURCES

DECISIONS made by the Lead Member for Resources, Councillor David Elkin, on 24 November 2015 at County Hall, Lewes

Councillor Keeley spoke on items 5, 6 and 7 (see minutes 24, 26 and 27) Councillor Pursglove spoke on items 4 and 5 (see minutes 25 and 24) Councillor Webb spoke on items 4, 5 and 6 (see minutes 25, 24 and 26)

# 21 DECISIONS MADE BY THE LEAD CABINET MEMBER ON 20 OCTOBER 2015

21.1 The Lead Member approved as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 20 October 2015.

# 22 DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS

22.1 Councillor Webb declared personal interests in items 5 and 6 (see minutes 24 and 26) in that he is a member of Hastings Borough Council, but he did not consider these to be prejudicial.

# 23 <u>REPORTS</u>

23.1 Reports referred to in the minutes below are contained in the minute book.

23.2 Councillor Elkin RESOLVED to amend the agenda order, and take item 5 ahead of item 4 (see minutes 24 and 25).

# 24 MOUNT DENYS AND PINEHILL, THE RIDGE, HASTINGS

24.1 The Lead Member considered a report by the Chief Operating Officer.

# DECISIONS

24.2 RESOLVED to (1) declare the land and buildings comprising the former Adult Social Care residential homes, Mount Denys and Pinehill, surplus to the County Council operational requirements; and

(2) delegate authority to the Chief Operating Officer to negotiate and agree terms for these properties, to enable the Council to obtain best value in line with section 123 of the Local Government Act 1972.

# Reasons

24.3 The properties are currently vacant and the Council has no further use for the land and buildings.

# 25 NOTICE OF MOTION: OPPOSITION TO THE TRADE UNION BILL ('THE BILL')

25.1 The Lead Member considered a report by the Chief Operating Officer. Lynda Walker, Branch Secretary of Unison, spoke in support of the Notice of Motion.

#### DECISIONS

25.2 RESOLVED to recommend that the County Council note the content of the report and adopts the amended Notice of Motion as set out in paragraph 3.1 of the report.

#### Reasons

25.3 To date the County Council has enjoyed a positive relationship with local trades unions which has resulted in the effective management of a number of large scale change programmes. Minimal reference to industrial action has been made by the unions in East Sussex and the County Council recognizes its responsibilities as an employer of a large, complex, people based organisation.

#### 26 <u>ACQUISITION AND DISPOSAL OF LAND AT SANDROCK HALL BENDS, THE RIDGE,</u> <u>HASTINGS</u>

26.1 The Lead Member considered a report by the Chief Operating Officer.

#### DECISIONS

26.2 RESOLVED to (1) approve the acquisition of the freehold of land at Sandrock Hall Bends, The Ridge, Hastings in accordance with the section 52 agreement dated 1 August 1986;

(2) declare the property surplus to Council operational requirements; and

(3) delegate to the Chief Operating Officer negotiation of the final terms and conditions in line with sections 120 and 123 of the Local Government Act 1972.

#### Reasons

26.3 The section 52 agreement stated that the land would be transferred to the County Council at nil consideration, but the transfer did not take place. The new owners have agreed to be bound by the terms of the agreement. Hastings Borough Council wish to acquire the land, and the disposal would be for a minimum net capital receipt of £19,000.

#### 27 <u>1 GARFIELD ROAD, HAILSHAM</u>

27.1 The Lead Member considered a report by the Chief Operating Officer.

# DECISIONS

27.2 RESOLVED to (1) declare the property surplus to Council operational requirements; and

(2) delegate authority to the Chief Operating Officer to agree the terms and conditions in line with section 123 of the Local Government Act 1972.

# Reasons

27.3 An internal consultation with all Council services has concluded there is no operational requirement for this property and there is currently no financial income.