STATEMENT OF EXECUTIVE DECISION

The Portfolio Holder for the Environment, Councillor Colin Smith, has made the following executive decision:

PROVISIONAL OUTTURN 2011/12

Reference Report (ES12087):

Provisional Outturn 2012, 03/07/2012 Environment Policy Development and Scrutiny Committee

Enc. 1 for Provisional Outturn 2012, 03/07/2012 Environment Policy Development and Scrutiny Committee

Decision:

The 2011/12 provisional outturn position for the Environment Portfolio be endorsed.

Reasons:

The 2011/12 provisional outturn position for the Environment Portfolio indicates an underspend of \pounds 766k against the controllable budget of \pounds 36,342k, representing a 2.1% variation. If three carry forward requests totalling \pounds 248k are excluded, the underspend comprises \pounds 518k.

Report ES12087 outlines details of the variations.

The proposed decision was scrutinised by the Environment PDS Committee on 3rd July 2012 and the Committee supported the proposal.

Councillor Colin Smith Environment Portfolio Holder

Mark Bowen Director of Resources Bromley Civic Centre Stockwell Close Bromley BR1 3UH

STATEMENT OF EXECUTIVE DECISION

The Portfolio Holder for the Environment, Councillor Colin Smith, has made the following executive decision:

BUDGET MONITORING 2012/13

Reference Report (ES12088):

Budget Monitoring 2012/13, 03/07/2012 Environment Policy Development and Scrutiny Committee

App 1 for Budget Monitoring 2012/13 (Environment), 03/07/2012 Environment Policy Development and Scrutiny Committee

Decision:

The latest 2012/13 budget projection for the Environment Portfolio be endorsed.

Reasons:

Based on financial information to 31st May 2012, the 2012/13 budget for the Environment Portfolio is projected to balance at year end.

The proposed decision was scrutinised by the Environment PDS Committee on 3rd July 2012 and the Committee supported the proposal.

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The Portfolio Holder for the Environment, Councillor Colin Smith, has made the following executive decision:

ONE OFF SPENDS - MEMBER INITIATIVES

Reference Report (ES12096):

One Off Spends, 03/07/2012 Environment Policy Development and Scrutiny Committee

Decision:

(1) Completion of the following highways maintenance schemes (paragraph 3.5 of Report ES12096) within financial year 2012/13 be agreed:

ROAD NAME & DISTRICT	SECTION of ROAD	WARDS
Chislehurst Road, Chislehurst	St Georges Road West to Pine Road	Chislehurst/Bickley
Stone Park Avenue, Beckenham	H. No 36 to H No 30 even side only. Manor Way (Bus Stop) to Chinese Roundabout full width.	Kelsey & Eden Park
Manor Way, Beckenham	No 84 to Stone Park Avenue. (Heading to be done with Stone Park Avenue)	Kelsey and Eden Park
Blakeney Road, Beckenham	Hayne Road to Lamp Column (B-18- 17) opposite H. No 40 excluding recently patched section	Clock House
New Street Hill, Bromley	Complete Length	Plaistow & Sundridge
Portland Road, Bromley	Complete Length	Plaistow and Sundridge
Stowe Road, Orpington	Complete Length	Orpington
Wayside Grove, Mottingham	Complete Length	Mottingham & Chislehurst North
Elwill Way, Beckenham	Whitecroft Way to Wickham Way	Shortlands

The allocation of any remaining resources from the £750k set aside for footways, highways and general improvement projects be the subject of a further report in September 2012;

(2) The proposed areas of spend related to Friends (paragraph 3.8 of Report ES12096) be agreed. £250k has been allocated to support the work of Friends and this money will be used to enable the continued development of existing groups through appropriate training and support for volunteers, and the provision of tools and equipment to enable them to carry out their work in the most efficient and effective manner. The money will also be used to support the development and expansion of the current schemes in operation, i.e. Parks, Streets and Snow Friends, through recruitment and retention initiatives. Officers will work closely with existing Friends to understand the needs and aspirations of volunteers to best support them in recruiting new Friends and expand the number of groups in the borough.

(3) Following consultation with appropriate Ward Councillors, Bring Sites within the borough will be improved (paragraph 3.11 of Report ES12096) in consultation with the Council's waste and Street cleansing contractors to make the most efficient and effective use of the £150k made available for renewing/replacing the Council's community recycling sites.

(4) Authority be delegated to the Director of Environmental Services, in consultation with the

Environment Portfolio Holder, for implementing delivery of the investment in Bring Sites (£150k) and Friends (£250k), as set out at paragraphs 3.7 to 3.12 of Report ES12096.

(5) An update on spending against the Member Priority Initiatives (as related to the Environment Portfolio) be included in budget monitoring reports for the Portfolio.

Reasons:

This Decision relates to actions and work to be carried out for the Member Priority Initiatives relevant to the Environment Portfolio namely:

- £750k for footways, highways and general improvement projects;
- £250k relating to support for 'Friends' Groups;
- £150k to renew/replace the Council's community recycling sites; and
- £70k to encourage physical activities in parks

<u>Highways Maintenance (£750k)</u> - the latest highway network survey indicated a backlog of carriageway maintenance schemes and the funding will be used to address a number of these roads. The schemes listed at Decision (1) above will form the first phase of the programme for completion during the third quarter of 2012/13.

Condition assessment surveys are currently being completed and will be used to prepare the 2013/14 planned highway maintenance programme for consideration this autumn. Allocations for the remainder of the funding will be considered at that time to allow for maintenance works on the highest priority sites to be completed during the final quarter of 2012/13.

<u>Support for 'Friends' Groups (£250k)</u> - the work of Friends volunteers has ensured that the borough's parks, streets, woodlands and countryside sites are safer, cleaner and greener. The work of Friends inspires civic pride and builds communities, enabling local people to take an active role in making their local environment thrive. Officers are currently liaising with the Friends Forum to identify appropriate and worthwhile initiatives that support the work of Friends and the objectives of LBB.

<u>Community recycling sites (Bring Sites) (£150k)</u> - Waste Services have conducted a survey to determine the current condition of all Bring sites, including appearance, usage, signage, cleanliness and provision of recycling options.

<u>Encourage physical activities in parks (£70k)</u> - in partnership with Public Health, two pilot Outdoor Gym schemes have been designed to encourage greater physical activity amongst local residents. If successful, future schemes may be developed in other locations dependent on funding.

The proposed decision was scrutinised by the Environment PDS Committee on 3rd July 2012.

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STATEMENT OF EXECUTIVE DECISION

The Portfolio Holder for the Environment, Councillor Colin Smith, has made the following executive decision:

MOTORCYCLE - PARKING AND BUS LANE USE

Reference Report (ES12093):

Motorcycles in Bus Lanes, 03/07/2012 Environment Policy Development and Scrutiny Committee

Decision:

The drivers of moving motorcycles be permitted to use all of Bromley's bus lanes.

Reasons:

Following previous trials, TfL had granted full access for motorcycles to be used in bus lanes on the majority of London's red routes from 23rd January 2012. Within Bromley there is only one TfL bus lane (Bromley Common, A21) and other bus lanes in the borough did not have such an exemption for motorcycle use. This decision permits motorcycle drivers to use dedicated bus lanes throughout the borough.

Report ES12093 also outlined ongoing improvements to motorcycle parking borough-wide.

<u>Note</u>: the final sentence of paragraph 3.5 of Report ES12093 is corrected by removal of the words *"and improved safety for motorcyclists"* at the end of the sentence; research has not stated there will be improved safety for motorcyclists in using bus lanes, although journey times for motorcyclists could reduce and congestion for motorcyclists removed.

The proposed decision was scrutinised by the Environment PDS Committee on 3rd July 2012.

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STATEMENT OF EXECUTIVE DECISION

The Portfolio Holder for the Environment, Councillor Colin Smith, has made the following executive decision:

BROMLEY TOWN CENTRE PARKING CAPACITY

Reference Report (ES12089):

Bromley Town Centre Parking Capacity, 03/07/2012 Environment Policy Development and Scrutiny Committee

Enc. 2 for Bromley town centre parking capacity, 03/07/2012 Environment Policy Development and Scrutiny Committee

Enc. 3 for Bromley town centre parking capacity, 03/07/2012 Environment Policy Development and Scrutiny Committee

Enc. 1 for Bromley town centre parking capacity, 03/07/2012 Environment Policy Development and Scrutiny Committee

Enc. 4 for Bromley town centre parking capacity, 03/07/2012 Environment Policy Development and Scrutiny Committee

Decision:

(1) Procurement of a contract for repairs to The Hill Car Park and the subsequent implementation of works to demolish the top slab be agreed.

(2) Authority be delegated to the Director of Environmental Services, in consultation with the Environment Portfolio Holder, to consider a name change for The Hill Car Park.

(3) Submission of a planning application for the Mitre Close car park be agreed along with implementation of the scheme should planning permission be granted.

(4) The design, consultation on and implementation of on-street parking bays on Walters Yard and Elmfield Park be agreed.

(5) Works proposed for the St Blaise Car Park be agreed, subject to provision of a minimum of 115 spaces.

Reasons:

Report ES12089 outlines the sites being taken forward to assist in replacing spaces that will be lost following the closure of Westmoreland Road Car Park.

The proposed decision was scrutinised by the Environment PDS Committee on 3rd July 2012.

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STATEMENT OF EXECUTIVE DECISION

The Portfolio Holder for the Environment, Councillor Colin Smith, has made the following executive decision:

ENVIRONMENT PORTFOLIO PLAN 2012/15

Reference Report (ES12086):

Environment Portfolio Plan 2012/15, 03/07/2012 Environment Policy Development and Scrutiny Committee

Enc. 1 for Environment Portfolio Plan 2012/15, 03/07/2012 Environment Policy Development and Scrutiny Committee

Enc. 2 for Environment Portfolio Plan 2012/15, 03/07/2012 Environment Policy Development and Scrutiny Committee

Decision:

(1) The aims and outcomes proposed in the Portfolio Plan be confirmed, taking into consideration the budget for 2012/13 which has already been agreed.

(2) The specific milestones and local performance expectations set out in the Plan be agreed, taking account of performance during 2010/11 and 2011/12.

Reasons:

Report ES12086 recommends the final draft of the Environment Portfolio Plan for 2012/15, including information on performance in 2011/12.

The proposed decision was scrutinised by the Environment PDS Committee on 3rd July 2012 and the Committee supported the proposal.

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STATEMENT OF EXECUTIVE DECISION

The Portfolio Holder for the Environment, Councillor Colin Smith, has made the following executive decision:

APPOINTMENTS TO THE COUNTRYSIDE CONSULTATIVE PANEL AND THE LEISURE GARDENS AND ALLOTMENTS PANEL 2012/13

Reference Report (RES12114):

ENV PDS 030712 Appointments to Panels

Decision:

(1) Councillors Julian Benington, William Huntington-Thresher, Gordon Norrie and Richard Scoates be appointed to the Countryside Consultative Panel for 2012/13.

(2) Councillors Peter Fookes, Ellie Harmer, Alexa Michael, Sarah Phillips and Harry Stranger be appointed to the Leisure Gardens and Allotments Panel for 2012/13.

Reasons:

There are three Consultative Panels, two of which – the Countryside Consultative Panel and the Leisure Gardens and Allotments Panel - are within the remit of the Environment Portfolio and it is necessary to confirm the appointment of Members to these Panels for 2012/13.

The proposed decision was scrutinised by the Environment PDS Committee on 3rd July 2012 and the Committee supported the proposal.

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