

LONDON BOROUGH OF BROMLEY

STATEMENT OF EXECUTIVE DECISION

The Portfolio Holder for Renewal and Recreation, Councillor Julian Benington has made the following executive decision:

BUDGET MONITORING REPORT - 2010/11

Reference Report:

RR PDS 150211 Budget Monitoring Report 2010-11

Decision:

The latest budget projection for the Renewal and Recreation Portfolio be endorsed.

Reasons:

The Resources Portfolio Plan for 2010/11 includes the aim of effective monitoring and control of expenditure within budget and includes the target that each service department will spend within its own budget.

The latest 2010/11 budget monitoring position for the Renewal and Recreation Portfolio based on expenditure and activity levels up to December 2010 showed a projected underspend of £134k.

The proposed decision was scrutinised by the Renewal and Recreation PDS Committee on 15th February 2011 and the Committee supported the proposal.

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Date of Decision: 21 Feb 2011
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Decision Reference: RR11001

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The Portfolio Holder for Renewal and Recreation, Councillor Julian Benington has made the following executive decision:

**CAPITAL PROGRAMME - 3RD QUARTER MONITORING 2010/11 & 2010
CAPITAL REVIEW**

Reference Report:

RR PDS 150211 Capital Programme Monitoring

Decision:

The report be confirmed and noted.

Reasons:

Having considered the position on capital expenditure and receipts following the third quarter of 2011/12, the Executive agreed a revised Capital Programme for the four year period 2010/11 to 2013/14 and Report DRR11/013 highlights agreed changes to the Capital Programme for the Renewal and Recreation Portfolio.

At that meeting the Executive also approved new capital bids recommended by Chief Officers in the Capital Review process in respect of Bromley North Village public realm improvements and Bromley Museum at the Priory. Minor provision has also been made in 2014/15 for feasibility studies.

The proposed decision was scrutinised by the Renewal and Recreation PDS Committee on 15th February 2011 and the Committee supported the proposal.

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STATEMENT OF EXECUTIVE DECISION

The Portfolio Holder for Renewal and Recreation, Councillor Julian Benington has made the following executive decision:

BROMLEY ADULT EDUCATION CENTRE - FEES AND CHARGES

Reference Report:

RR PDS 150211 Adult Education Fees and Charges 2011-12

Decision:

That for the academic year starting in September 2011, the course fees at Bromley Adult Education College are increased by the following amounts:

- 1) For adult non accredited courses delivered under the Adult Safeguarded learning stream, an average increase of 4.5% - that is an increase of approximately 16 pence per hour from £3.51 to £3.67 on standard long courses and an increase of approximately 19 pence per hour from £4.22 to £4.41 on standard short courses.
- 2) For adult accredited Level 2 courses delivered under the Adult Learner Responsive funding stream, an average increase of 2.5% - that is an increase of approximately 7 pence per hour to £3.00 on a standard GCSE/Level 2 course.

Reasons:

Bromley Adult Education College provides a wide range of courses for adult local residents, both accredited and non-accredited. Some courses lead to qualifications and others are provided to meet the cultural, social and personal needs of local residents. Courses are funded through a number of mechanisms but in all cases the expectation by the Skills Funding Agency is that students will pay an increasing proportion of the costs each year.

In the 2011/12 academic year adult learners will be expected to pay 50% of their course costs, unless they qualify for means tested benefits or they are studying basic Skills for Life subjects such as literacy, numeracy and English. There is no explicit level of fee payment expected for Adult Safeguarded Learning courses, but students able to afford fees are expected to pay a substantial proportion of their course costs. Free courses and reduced fees are available for some community courses and for specific groups of learners, including older people in care or residential settings and those on low incomes.

The proposed decision was scrutinised by the Renewal and Recreation PDS Committee on 15th February 2011 and the Committee supported the proposal.

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The Portfolio Holder for Renewal and Recreation, Councillor Julian Benington has made the following executive decision:

RENEWAL AND RECREATION PORTFOLIO HOLDER INITIATIVES FUND 2011/12

Reference Report:

RR PDS 150211 Renewal and Recreation Portfolio Holder Initiatives Fund 2011/12

Decision:

- 1) That the proposed schedule of Town Centre Management events, activities and projects outlined in Report DRR11/006 costing a total of £132,000 during 2011/12 be agreed. Excluding the "Poppy Party Weekend".
- 2) That the Executive be requested to agree to the projected underspend of the Portfolio Initiatives Fund of £53,400 from 2010/11 being carried forward and allocated for proposed Town Centre Management activities during 2011/12.
- 3) That the proposal that £50,000 be permanently vired from the Portfolio Initiatives Fund 2011/12 for use on Town Centre Management events and activities from 2011/12 onwards be agreed.

Reasons:

The Town Centre Management Service works to maintain and enhance the competitiveness, attractiveness and vibrancy of the borough's town centres, contributing to the Building a Better Bromley key priority of Vibrant, Thriving Town Centres. This involves working closely with town centre businesses, both directly and through business and traders groups, and with other key town centre occupiers and service providers.

The proposed work programme for the Town Centre Managers during 2011/12 will involve a wide range of duties ranging from management of high profile public events to day-to-day assistance of town centre occupiers, and will be funded by both the Council and from income from business donations and sponsorships.

The proposed decision was scrutinised by the Renewal and Recreation PDS Committee held on 15th February 2011 and the Committee supported the proposal.

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