Decision Number: 34 (2013/2014)

Portfolio Holder Executive Decision Statement

The Local Authority (Executive Arrangements)(Meetings and Access to Information)(England) Regulations 2012

The Decision:

To approve a grant of £27,000 (from S106 affordable housing planning gains) to undertake refurbishment of a further unit in the trust's housing scheme for older people.

Date the decision was made: 06/01/13

Reason for Decision (please set out in full)

The trust was previously awarded a grant of £119,000 over a 2-year period and this helped to fund roof replacement works at their scheme in Sevenoaks and other refurbishments, including works to improve thermal efficiency.

There is an opportunity to undertake a further refurbishment project to bring more of the accommodation up to modern-day standards – and to further preserve this essential older persons' accommodation into the future. This would require a sum of £27,000 - as per the previous two refurbishment projects.

This project directly links in to spending criteria agreed in the Core Strategy, plus it corresponds with current Community Plan and Housing Strategy priority outcomes. In addition, preserving the District's existing social housing stock places less reliance on new provision, which is generally a much more costly process.

Details of any alternative options considered and rejected by the Member when making the Decision:

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Local Member (s), other Portfolio Holders and/or Directors/Heads of Service Consulted

Details of any conflicts of interest

- a) declared by any executive member who is consulted by the Decision Taker
- b) and any details of dispensations granted by the Chief Executive in respect of any declared conflict

Decision taken by:

Signed by Portfolio Holder

Record made by:

CHRIS SCOT

Date of record:

Portfolio Holders for Planning & Environment and Housing & Community Safety

CHRIS SCOT

OR / 01 / 2014