

# MEMBERS' MONTHLY DIGEST

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### A BRIEFING FOR CITY COUNCILLORS

***For Executive and Key Decisions made by Cabinet please see the Forward Plan and the Record of Executive Decisions.***

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### *Decisions made under Delegated Powers*

<b>Chief Officer</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Decision</b>	<b>Contact Point</b>
Chief Executive	22/10/09	To exercise the power to grant an indemnity to Council Officers who are subject to a claim by a third party in respect of an Officer's actions or inactions in the course of their employment pursuant to the Local Authorities (Indemnities for Members and Officers) Order 2004 (the "Order") as approved by Cabinet on 8 <sup>th</sup> June 2005.	Dave Smith ☎ 5611112
Deputy Chief Executive	09/10/09	Agreed to let Unit 6/7, Southwick Business Centre, Riverside Road, Southwick, Sunderland, in line with Council policy to Mr. Barry Gibson, trading as Grapplefit.com.	Nick Wood ☎ 5612631

Deputy Chief Executive	15/10/09	Approved the modification of Development Control line for the Sunderland Strategic Transport Corridor adjacent to the Empire Theatre, Paley Street previously approved at the Cabinet meeting on 20 <sup>th</sup> April, 2005.	Bob Donaldson ☎ 5611517
Deputy Chief Executive	16/10/09	Approved the implementation of the second phase of safety works at Hendon Beach.	David Giblin ☎ 5611540
Deputy Chief Executive	20/10/09	Appointed Consultants to assist in the examination of a planning application at Hetton Moor Farm.	Mike Mattok ☎ 5611552
Deputy Chief Executive	20/10/09	Extended Consultants contract to deal with two planning applications for Eppleton Quarry applications.	Mike Mattok ☎ 5611552
Deputy Chief Executive	23/10/09	Agreed to let Unit 9, Southwick Business Centre to Mr. Phillip Lowes, trading as Lowes Electrical Services Ltd.	Nick Wood ☎ 5612631
Deputy Chief Executive	23/10/09	Agreed to the assignment of the lease at 142/142A Allendale Road, Farringdon from Mr. Gill to Mr. Raj.	Nick Wood ☎ 5612631
Deputy Chief Executive	27/10/09	Approved new street name, Rydale Park, Sunderland.	Patricia Buckle ☎ 5612571
Deputy Chief Executive	29/10/09	Agreed to let Unit 21, Southwick Business Centre, Riverside Road to Mr. Phillip Lowes, trading as Lowes Electrical Services Ltd.	Brian Hollis ☎ 5612677
Deputy Chief Executive	02/11/09	Agreed to appoint Springboard as the supplier to deliver, implement and monitor the footfall cameras within Sunderland City Centre.	Colin Clark ☎ 5611507

Executive Director of Children's Services	02/09/09	Acceptance of tender decision for two mobile youth project units to deliver a range of youth activities and services in areas of little or low levels of provision in every regeneration area.	Helen Paterson ☎ 5611355
Executive Director of Children's Services	06/10/09	To accept the petition from the pupils of St. Anthony's Girls School (in relation to the second wave of Building Schools for the Future) which was handed directly to Children's Services at the consultation meeting held at the school on 21 <sup>st</sup> September 2009.	Helen Paterson ☎ 5611355
		The nature of the petition is as follows:-	
		<p>'The staff and students at St. Anthony's feel that they are being penalised by local and national government priorities, which have allowed the refurbishment of other schools in the city and the creation of new academies, based primarily on examination performance. Basically, this has resulted in St. Anthony's not being refurbished mainly due to its excellent examination results. We would like the local authority, now that it has successfully bid for more BSF money from the government, to consider</p>	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- building condition at St. Anthony's, and</li> <li>- suitability for purpose of the current facilities'</li> </ul>	

Executive Director of  
Children's Services

09/10/09

To apply an exemption to the Council's Procurement Procedure Rules under Part 4, Section 7, paragraph 5.4(f) of the Constitution to a contract between the Council and a private landlord relating to a lease of a block of flats used as supported accommodation for care leavers.

Helen Paterson  
☎ 5611355

Executive Director of  
Children's Services

20/10/09

As per Sunderland City Council Procurement Procedure Rules (PPR's) Part 4, Section 7, Para 5.4, Paragraph (e), and in accordance with the Delegated Scheme, approval is sought in writing for an exception to the Procurement Procedure Rules due to procurement via an existing framework agreement to which local authorities have a right to participate which offers best value for money.

Helen Paterson  
☎ 5611355

Executive Director of  
Children's Services

26/10/09

Agreed to upgrade the Capita One computer system utilised in the Single View of a Child Project from Version 3 to Version 4 and to undertake a negotiated procedure to award a contract whereby the Council negotiates the terms with the third party.

Helen Paterson  
☎ 5611355

Executive Director of  
City Services

21/09/09

Agreed to accept Pellikan Construction Ltd's (the main contractor for the 25m pool at Silksworth and the City Adventure Centre), sub-designer – Colour Urban Design, for the outdoor play area and for a further sub-contractor – UpNorth – to supply and install catering equipment

Julie Gray ☎  
5617574

Executive Director of  
City Services

06/10/09

Approved alterations to highways and entered into a Section 38/278 Agreement under the Highways Act 1980, for the adoption of highways at Doxford Park Phase 3, Sunderland Gentoo, as shown on Drawing No. 4178/866.

Bob Donaldson  
☎ 5611517

Executive Director of  
City Services

14/10/09

Approved select lists of tenderers for two bridge structural maintenance schemes at A690 Four Lane Ends Bridge and A1231 Grange Road Bridge.

Cliff Young ☎  
5611291

Executive Director of  
City Services

15/10/09

Approved the alteration of highways and agreed to enter into a Section 38 Agreement under the Highways Act 1980, for the adoption of highways at Whitchurch Road, Sunderland, as shown on Drawing Number 4178/867, for Barratt Homes.

Bob Donaldson  
☎ 5611517

Executive Director of  
City Services

15/10/09

Approved the alteration of highways and agreed to enter into a Section 38 Agreement under the Highways Act 1980, for the adoption of highways at Sycamore Close, Cross House Farm, Houghton-le-Spring, as shown on Drawing Number 4178/869, for Spring Oak Developments.

Bob Donaldson  
☎ 5611517

Executive Director of  
City Services

20/10/09

Awarded a contract for the supply of 11 chassis cabs suitable for the fitment of refuse collection bodies to Dennis Eagle.

Peter High ☎  
5614550

Executive Director of  
City Services

26/10/09

Endorsed the proposal to participate in the swimming initiative 'Swim Britain' promoted by British Gas between January to March 2010.

Julie Gray ☎  
5617574

Executive Director of City Services	29/10/09	Approved additional fees for Arup to undertake further work to the Major Scheme Business Case for the Central Route.	John Ramsey ☎ 5611270
Executive Director of City Services	30/10/09	Approved Speed De-restriction Orders on various road City-wide.	Ian Pearson ☎ 5612445
Executive Director of City Services	04/11/09	Approved the stopping-up of highway north of Aldenham Tower, Aldenham Road, Lakeside Village to enable footway improvement works.	Bob Donaldson ☎ 5611517
Executive Director of City Services	04/11/09	Approved the stopping-up of Stob Lane (footpath), High Street East, Sunderland.	Bob Donaldson ☎ 5611517
Executive Director of Health, Housing and Adult Services	28/10/09	Approved amendments to Private Sector Housing Renewal Financial Assistance Policy 2008-11 (FAP).	Alan Caddick ☎ 5662690
Director of Financial Resources and Chief Solicitor	19/10/09	To novate the existing Agency Framework Agreements with Beresford Blake Thomas (BBT) and Reliance Care to a new company, Randstad Care Ltd.	Keith Beardmore ☎ 5611802 Bob Rayner ☎ 5611003
Director of Financial Resources	19/10/09	To amend both the Council's Lending List Criteria (Appendix F) and the Approved Lending List (Appendix G) to the report Capital Programme 2009/2010 including Prudential Indicators and Treasury Management Strategy which was agreed and approved by Council on 4 <sup>th</sup> March 2009 as follows:-	Keith Beardmore ☎ 5611802
		(a) Lending List Criteria – to increase the Maximum Investment Limit for all institutions rated AAA, or AA+ using the Fitch IBCA Long Term Credit Ratings (which includes all those nationalised or part	

		nationalised banks, where the AAA rating for the UK is used) from a maximum limit of £30m to £40m. No changes are recommended for any other rating criteria.	
		(b) Approved Lending List - to add the Co-operative Bank.	
Director of Financial Resources	19/10/09	To award the contract for our Leasing Advisory and Consultancy Service with Sector Treasury Services Ltd for a period of 2 years, to commence from 1 <sup>st</sup> December 2009 to 30 <sup>th</sup> November 2011, with the option for the Council to extend the contract for a further year.	Keith Beardmore ☎ 5611802
Director of Human Resources and Organisational Development	04/09/09	Approved the Director of Development and Regeneration's staffing proposal in relation to the post of Clerk within Design Services.	Peter Cowen ☎ 5611729
Director of Human Resources and Organisational Development	04/09/09	Approved the Office of the Chief Executive's staffing proposal in relation to the post of PA.	Peter Cowen ☎ 5611729
Director of Human Resources and Organisational Development	04/09/09	Approved the Director of Development and Regeneration's staffing proposal to extend a fixed term post of Technician within the Landscape and Reclamation Team.	Peter Cowen ☎ 5611729
Director of Human Resources and Organisational Development	04/09/09	Approved the Office of the Chief Executive's staffing proposal to establish a fixed term post of Communications Assistant for a University placement within the Corporate Communications Team.	Peter Cowen ☎ 5611729

Director of Human Resources and Organisational Development	11/09/09	Approved the Director of Development and Regeneration's staffing proposal to create and extend posts within Property Services.	Peter Cowen ☎ 5611729
Director of Human Resources and Organisational Development	11/09/09	Approved the Office of the Chief Executive's staffing proposal to establish the post of Investigation Officer within the Audit and Procurement Section.	Peter Cowen ☎ 5611729
Director of Human Resources and Organisational Development	11/09/09	Approved the Director of Development and Regeneration's staffing proposal to extend the post of Year Out Valuation Student.	Peter Cowen ☎ 5611729
Director of Human Resources and Organisational Development	02/10/09	Approved the Director of Children's Services' staffing proposal to establish a post of Project Development Officer within Standards.	Peter Cowen ☎ 5611729
Director of Human Resources and Organisational Development	02/10/09	Approved the Director of Development and Regeneration's staffing proposal to create a post of Caretaker/ Handyperson and delimit a vacant post of Senior Technician within Property Services.	Peter Cowen ☎ 5611729
Director of Human Resources and Organisational Development	02/10/09	Approved the Director of Children's Services' staffing proposal within the School Improvement Service Administration Team.	Peter Cowen ☎ 5611729
Director of Human Resources and Organisational Development	07/10/09	Approved the staffing proposal to redesignate the post of PA Co-ordinator from Development and Regeneration to PA to the Coroner within City Services.	Peter Cowen ☎ 5611729
Director of Human Resources and Organisational Development	21/10/09	Approved the Director of City Services staffing proposal to make various changes within the Project and Service Division.	Peter Cowen ☎ 5611729



Director of Human Resources and Organisational Development

21/10/09

Approved the Director of Children's Services' staffing proposal to extend a temporary contract of Assistant Business Unit Manager within the Looked After Children Team.

Peter Cowen ☎  
5611729

Director of Human Resources and Organisational Development

21/10/09

Approved the Office of the Chief Executive's staffing proposal to make changes within the Business and Investment Team.

Peter Cowen ☎  
5611729

Director of Human Resources and Organisational Development

21/10/09

Approved the Director of Children's Services' staffing proposal to make changes within Education Psychology.

Peter Cowen ☎  
5611729

Director of Human Resources and Organisational Development

21/10/09

Approved the Director of Children's Services staffing proposal to establish a post of Children's Trust Support Officer within the Performance Improvement and Planning Team.

Peter Cowen ☎  
5611729

Director of Human Resources and Organisational Development

21/10/09

Approved the Director of Children's Services' staffing proposal to establish a post of Young People's Training and Development Mentor within the Training Section.

Peter Cowen ☎  
5611729