

South Somerset District Council
Decisions taken by the District Executive on Thursday 1 September 2016

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6.	SSDC / Yarlington Homes Right to Buy (RTB) Clawback Agreement	<p>RESOLVED: That District Executive agreed:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. to note the presentation made by the Chief Executive Officer of Yarlington Housing Group regarding the future use of Right to Buy Receipts; 2. that given the current position of the total lack of any HCA funding for General Needs Affordable Rented Housing, SSDC agreed to retain the current clawback arrangement from Preserved Right to Buy with the Yarlington Housing Group. This would enable the Council to take a targeted approach to the allocation of scarce capital resource to support priority affordable housing schemes in South Somerset; 3. agreed to undertake a Scrutiny Task & Finish review in the Autumn to review the SSDC position on the Right to Buy (RTB) Clawback Agreement. <p>Reason: To review and confirm the existing Right To Buy Clawback arrangement with Yarlington Housing Group.</p>
7.	SSDC Medium Term Financial Strategy and Plan	<p>RESOLVED: That District Executive:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. approved the current Medium Term Financial Strategy and Efficiency Plan; 2. agreed that £104,000 in Council Tax Reduction Grant be

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		<p>passported to support Town and Parish Councils' Precepts;</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3. approved in principle that South Somerset District Council remains in the Somerset Business Rates Pool for 2017/18 with a final decision delegated to the Assistant Director – Finance and Corporate Services in Consultation with the Leader and Finance Portfolio Holder; 4. noted the current position and timetable for the Medium Term Financial Plan. <p>That the District Executive recommended to full Council:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 5. approval to utilise the capital receipts outlined in the Efficiency Strategy attached at Appendix A for revenue costs; 6. to note that a 4-year Rate Support Grant settlement deal has been made available by the Department for Communities and Local Government and that the terms offered for South Somerset includes a negative grant in 2019/20 whereby £330k would be collected locally for return to the Government; 7. to authorise the Leader and/or Portfolio Holder for Finance and Legal Services to make representations to the Department for Communities and Local Government, and others, to seek to improve the 4 year deal RSG offer.

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		<p>Reason: To advise members of the Medium Term Financial Strategy and the current position on the MTFP (Revenue Budgets for 2017/18 to 2021/22).</p>
8.	Affordable Housing Development Programme	<p>RESOLVED: That District Executive:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. noted the outturn position of the Affordable Housing Development Programme for 2015/16 [<i>ref section 11</i>]; b. confirmed that the Council continue to use the hybrid rent model when acting as the sole source of grant funding for four or five bedroom properties and for all property types in certain higher value rural locations, but otherwise accept the affordable rent model for the majority of new grant funded homes [<i>ref section 10.8</i>]; c. de-allocated £373,000 from Stonewater for the scheme at West Hendford, Yeovil [<i>ref section 13</i>]; d. confirmed retention of £375,000 allocation for underwriting of the LD project by Stonewater [<i>ref section 13</i>]; e. confirmed allocation of £1,040,000 to Stonewater for the scheme at North Street, Crewkerne subject to appropriate planning permission being in place [<i>ref section 14</i>]; f. confirmed the creation of a new rural contingency fund of £500,000

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		<p align="center"><i>[ref section 15].</i></p> <p>Reason: To update Members on the final position of the Affordable Housing Development Programme for 2015/16 and future prospects in the light of the Housing & Planning Act 2016 and other recent Government announcements.</p>
9.	South Somerset Authority Monitoring Report (September 2016)	<p>RESOLVED: That District Executive:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. endorsed the Authority Monitoring Report (2016) (at Appendix A); and 2. delegated responsibility to the Assistant Director for Economy in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Strategic Planning to make any final minor text amendments which may be necessary to enable the Authority Monitoring Report to be published; <p>Reason: To confirm the SSSDC Authority Monitoring Report (2016).</p>
10.	Quarterly Corporate Performance and Complaints Monitoring Report - 1st Quarter 2016/17	<p>RESOLVED: That the District Executive noted the report.</p> <p>Reason: To note the Corporate Performance and Complaints data presented for the period 1st April – 30th June 2016 (Q1)</p>
11.	District Executive Forward Plan	

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		<p>RESOLVED: That the District Executive:-</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. approved the updated Executive Forward Plan for publication as attached at Appendix A, with the following amendments; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Homeless Strategy – November 2016 2. noted the contents of the Consultation Database as shown at Appendix B. <p>Reason: The Forward Plan is a statutory document.</p>
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