

**South Somerset District Council**  
**Decisions taken by the District Executive on Thursday 6 January 2022**

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6.	District-wide strategic grants - funding arrangements with Citizens Advice South Somerset and Spark Somerset 2022/2023	<p><b>RESOLVED:</b> The District Executive recommend that the Chief Executive:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. agrees a one-year core funding agreement for the period April 2022 to March 2023, for Citizens Advice South Somerset of £127,816.50 inclusive of a 5% inflationary uplift;</li> <li>b. agrees a one-year core funding agreement for the period April 2022 to March 2023, for Spark Somerset of £80,871 inclusive of a 5% inflationary uplift (a total of £208,687.50 between the two organisations);</li> <li>c. confirm that in addition to the above a further £7,000 in the Corporate Grants budget, which is allocated to support SSDC's contribution to the countywide Disability Consultation and Engagement Service.</li> </ul> <p><b>Reason:</b> To confirm the funding of our two strategic voluntary sector partners, Citizens Advice South Somerset (CASS) and Spark Somerset for the year 2022 to 2023.</p>
7.	Project Closure Report - Chard Leisure Centre	<p><b>RESOLVED:</b> That District Executive recommend that Full Council agree to:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Implement End of Stage Assessments for all capital projects over £1,000,000;</li> </ul>

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		<p align="center">b. Implement End of Stage Assessments for all capital projects over £250,000 that also have a risk impact score of moderate or above in one or more risk categories.</p> <p><b>Reason:</b> To provide members with a completion report for the Chard Leisure Centre Project and to seek agreement to implement End of Stage Assessments to capital projects with a value exceeding £1,000,000 or those over £250,000 that have a risk impact score of moderate or above.</p>
8.	Council Tax Support Scheme 2022/23	<p><b>RESOLVED:</b> That District Executive recommend that Full Council agree:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. The Banded Council Tax Support Scheme introduced from 1st April 2021 remain unchanged;</li> <li>b. The income bands are maintained at their current thresholds;</li> <li>c. The hardship scheme budget be maintained at £30,000 for the 2022/23 financial year.</li> </ul>

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		<p><b>Reason:</b> Each year the Council is required to review its Council Tax Support Scheme in accordance with the requirements of schedule 1A of the Local Government Finance Act 1991 and to either maintain the scheme or replace it.</p>
9.	District Executive Forward Plan	<p>The following additions and amendments to the Forward Plan were noted:</p> <p><b>RESOLVED:</b> That the District Executive recommend that the Chief Executive:-</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. approve the updated Executive Forward Plan for publication as attached at Appendix A, with the following amendments; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Decarbonisation programme phase 2 proposals - February 2022</li> <li>• Report on Ham Hill (or may be part of the budget report) – February 2022</li> <li>• Report on staffing – why growth proposed in staffing budget &amp; Chief Exec proposals for minor changes to SLT and reporting lines – February 2022</li> <li>• Octagon Theatre Outline Business Case gateway stage – February 2022</li> </ul> </li> </ol>

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		<p align="right">2. noted the contents of the Consultation Database as shown at Appendix B.</p> <p><b>Reason:</b> The Forward Plan is a statutory document.</p>
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