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Dear Councillor

EXECUTIVE MEETING MONDAY 3RD NOVEMBER 2025 – DECISION NOTICE

I have pleasure in enclosing herewith, for your attention, a copy of the Decision Notice of the Executive held on Monday 3rd November 2025.

Set out below is the procedure for calling in decisions of the Executive. **Only Key Decisions may be called in.** Request forms to call in a decision of the Executive may be obtained from the Governance Team.

Deadline date for calling in Key Decisions contained in the Decision Notice;

WEDNESDAY 12TH NOVEMBER 2025

Number of Members required to call in an item;

Three Scrutiny Members

Method by which items may be called in;

By completion of the form available from the Governance Team

Recording of called in items;

The Governance Manager shall be responsible for keeping and maintaining a log of called in items. In practice this log will be kept by the Governance Officers who are themselves authorised to accept notifications from Members.

A log shall be maintained in chronological order according to when requests are received. This log will be open for inspection by any Member of the Council, upon request.

Yours sincerely



Monitoring Officer

DECISION NOTICE OF THE EXECUTIVE

MONDAY 3RD NOVEMBER 2025

NON KEY DECISIONS

AGENDA ITEM		DECISION
5	Bolsover Tree and Woodland Strategy Update	RESOLVED that the contents of the proposed Consultation Draft Bolsover Tree and Woodland Strategy as discussed in the report and attached at Appendix 1 to the report, be approved, 2) delegated authority is given to the Assistant Director of Planning and Planning Policy, in consultation with the Portfolio Holder, to agree the final arrangements of the proposed consultation exercise on the Consultation Draft Bolsover Tree and Woodland Strategy. REASON FOR DECISION: The report updates Members on the preparation of the Bolsover Tree and Woodland Strategy with the recommendation that Members approve the contents of the proposed draft document for the purposes of public consultation. OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED: It would be possible to not prepare a Bolsover Tree and Woodland Strategy, although this was a requirement of the Woodland Trust's funding agreement and would need to be reported to them. As a result, this alternative option had been rejected.
6	Risk Management Strategy 2026	RESOLVED that the refreshed Risk Management Strategy 2026, be approved. REASON FOR DECISION: Alongside regular updates on risk management, the Council's Audit Committee considered the refreshed Risk Management Strategy on 25th September 2025. The Risk Management Group provided a comprehensive oversight of risk throughout the organisation. The Risk Management Group had made significant progress in ensuring that risk was effectively managed within the Council. By leading on the development and review of all risk related policies, plans, and strategies across the Council, the Group provided consistency of

		approach and alignment of all service areas in relation to risk management. OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED: It was good practice for the Council to develop and regularly review its Risk Management Strategy, Strategic Risk Register, and associated risk management processes and policies. Given the importance of these arrangements for the overall performance and governance of the Council the alternative of not providing them was rejected.
7	Budget Monitoring Quarter 2	RESOLVED that 1) the monitoring position of the General Fund at the end of the second quarter as detailed in Appendix 1 to the report, (a net favourable variance of £2.477m against the profiled budget) and the key issues highlighted within the report, be noted, 2) the position on the Housing Revenue Account (HRA), the Capital Programme, and Treasury Management, at the end of the second quarter (Appendices 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 to the report), be noted. REASON FOR DECISION: The report summarised the financial position of the Council following the second quarter's budget monitoring exercise for the General Fund, the Housing Revenue Account, Capital Programme, and Treasury Management activity. The Medium-Term Financial Strategy (MTFS) for 2025/26 – 2028/29 was approved in October 2024. It was the Section 151 Officer's intention to update the strategy on an annual basis for the implications of each finance settlement, to carry forward the assumptions for the new year of the MTFP and present it to Members for approval. However, the uncertainty currently surrounding government funding and the Fair Funding Review 2.0 consultation, meant the Section 151 Officer was not in a position to provide an update to the Strategy at this time, and would therefore, update Members on the government funding implications for the Council and the MTFP, in the MTFP report in January 2026, and would update the MTFS as usual in September and October next year.

	OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED: The Budget Monitoring report for 2025/26 was primarily a factual report which detailed progress against previously approved budgets. Accordingly, there were no alternative options to consider.
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KEY DECISIONS

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8	Contract Award to Enable Delivery of the Warm Homes: Social Housing Fund Wave 3 *THIS ITEM IS EXEMPT FROM SCRUTINY CALL IN	RESOLVED that the award of the contract to Phoenix Gas Services Limited to deliver the proposed works under the Warm Homes: Social Housing Fund Wave 3, be approved. REASON FOR DECISION: There was a requirement currently under the MEES for properties to achieve a minimum of an EPC E in order to be let. It was anticipated that this requirement would increase to a minimum of an EPC C in the new MEES currently out to consultation and that this would be in force by 2030. The Council had been awarded £811,065 and had already obtained Executive approval to match fund this for energy efficiency improvement works. The report recommended going ahead with the previously agreed proposal and awarding the contract to Phoenix Gas Services Limited. OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED: To take no action - rejected because of the award of £811,065 from Midlands Net Zero Hub (MNZH) and because rescinding the offer of contract at this stage in the tender process would be in breach of Procurement Act 2023..
9	Purchase of Section 106 Properties from Woodall Homes Ltd, Boleappleton Farm, Shuttlewood Road, Bolsover	RESOLVED that 1) Executive recommend to Council to add the scheme to the Capital programme for 12 properties at Boleappleton Farm, Bolsover, for affordable rent within the Housing Revenue Account, 2) subject to Council approval of the financing, the Assistant Director of Housing Management is given delegated powers to approve the purchase of the properties from Woodall Homes Limited.

		REASON FOR DECISION: This proposal offered value for money, met local housing need, and increased the Council's housing stock. Therefore, the Council should proceed with this purchase. OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED: To not purchase the properties had been rejected as the properties would fulfil a housing need in the area. This housing mix best supported that identified housing need.
10	Management of Corporate Debt - Write Off of Outstanding Amounts	RESOLVED that the amounts included at paragraph 2.1 of the report (£107,767.03) and detailed in Appendix 1 to the report, be written off. REASON FOR DECISION: Given that all available options to recover the debt had been explored, it was important that the Council recognised the position and approve the write-off of the uncollectable debt. OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED: These were outlined in the main body of the report.

Only Key Decisions may be called in with the exception of the ones marked with an asterix *.

All other decisions will be actioned immediately with the exception of those referred to Council.