



Title	Comments from the Executive
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Service Area	Civic & Committee Services
Wards of the District directly affected	N/A
Is the report private and confidential and not for publication by virtue of a paragraph of schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972, following the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006	No
Date and meeting when issue was last considered and relevant minute number	N/A
Background Papers	

Contrary to the policy framework:	No
Contrary to the budgetary framework:	No
Key Decision?	No
Included within the Forward Plan? (If yes include reference number)	No

Officer/Councillor Approval		
With regard to officer approval all reports <i>must</i> be approved by the report authors relevant director, Finance, Legal Services and the relevant Portfolio Holder(s).		
Officer Approval	Date	Name
Deputy Chief Executive		
Chief Executive		
CMT		
Section 151 Officer		
Legal		
Finance		
Portfolio Holders		

Consultation Undertaken	
N/A	
Final Decision?	Yes
Suggested next steps (if not final decision please set out below)	

1. Summary

- 1.1 This report summarises the Executive's response to comments given by the Finance & Audit Scrutiny Committee on reports submitted to the Executive on 14 January 2015.

2. Recommendation

- 2.1 That the responses made by the Executive be noted.

3. Reasons for the Recommendation

- 3.1 This report is produced to create a dialogue between the Executive and the Finance & Audit Scrutiny Committee, ensuring that the Scrutiny Committee is formally made aware of the Executive's responses.

4. Alternative Options Considered

- 4.1 The Committee receives and notes the minutes of the Executive instead.

5. Budgetary Framework

- 5.1 There is no impact on the budgetary framework. This is for the Committee's information only.

6. Policy Framework

- 6.1 The work carried out by the Committee helps the Council to improve in line with its priority to manage services openly, efficiently and effectively.

7. Background

- 7.1 As part of the scrutiny process, the Committee no longer considers the whole of the Executive agenda.
- 7.2 Councillors are emailed at the time of the publication of the Executive and Scrutiny Committee agendas, asking them to contact Committee Services by 9.00 am on the day of the Scrutiny Committee, to advise which Executive items they wish the Scrutiny Committee to pass comment on and the reasons why.
- 7.3 As a result, at its meeting on 13 January 2015, the Finance & Audit Scrutiny Committee considered the items detailed in the appendices. The responses which the Executive gave are also shown.

Responses from the meeting of the Executive held on 14 January 2015 to the Finance and Audit Scrutiny Committee's comments

Item no	7	Title	2014 National Bowls Championship Update
Scrutiny Comment		<p>The Finance & Audit Scrutiny Committee supported the recommendations but raised queries as to why the funding requested in recommendation 2.2 could not be covered by the remaining Bowls Championship budget.</p> <p>The Finance & Audit Scrutiny Committee were extremely pleased with the way the whole championship ran and formally asked that all the staff involved in bringing this together be congratulated for all the hard work they put in to make it the success it was, not only for the bowlers, but for all the business' in Leamington and the District.</p>	
Executive Response		<p>The Executive thanked the Scrutiny Committee for their comments and agreed that formal thanks should be passed to all staff involved.</p> <p>In response to the query regarding recommendation 2.2, Members were advised that this equipment was for use by the events staff across the District and not just for the Bowls Championships.</p>	

Item no	8	Title	Pre-Application Charging
Scrutiny Comment		<p>The Finance & Audit Scrutiny Committee raised some concerns about Tiers 2a and 2b putting applicants off asking for advice but supported the recommendation to consult.</p>	
Executive Response		<p>The Executive thanked the Scrutiny Committee for their comments and hoped that any concerns about the impact of the charging would come out during the consultation.</p>	

Item no	10	Title	Open Land at Chase Meadow
Scrutiny Comment		<p>The Finance & Audit Scrutiny Committee support the recommendation but highlight to the Executive that if they proceed with the land transfer they need to be satisfied that any additional maintenance costs, beyond that stated in the report, will not present an additional financial burden on the Council. Should these additional costs occur, then this needs to be highlighted to the officers who put together the S106 agreements as there could be a lot more over the coming years.</p>	
Executive Response		<p>The Executive thanked the Scrutiny Committee for their comments and asked Members to refer to the additional information provided after the</p>	

	scrutiny meeting by officers. This advised that officers were satisfied that the funds quoted were sufficient for these sites over the 13 year period.
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Item no	11	Title	Significant Business Risk Register
Scrutiny Comment	The Finance & Audit Scrutiny Committee supported the recommendations in the report but highlighted that Appendix 2 did not marry up with the information supplied in Appendix 1.		
Executive Response	The Executive thanked the Scrutiny Committee for their comments and agreed that the amendments would be incorporated in future reports.		

Item no	12B	Title	Options Appraisal tender process and service specification development Exemption to the Code of Procurement Practice – Sports Options
Scrutiny Comment	The Finance and Audit Scrutiny Committee had no real option but to support the recommendations but were not satisfied that this issue could not have been foreseen when the original report came to Executive in November.		
Executive Response	The Executive thanked the Scrutiny Committee for their support.		

Item no	12C	Title	Use of Emergency Powers in respect of authorising an Exemption to the Code of Procurement Practice
Scrutiny Comment	The Finance and Audit Scrutiny Committee supported the recommendations in the report.		
Executive Response	The Executive thanked the scrutiny committee for their support.		

Item no	12D	Title	Rural/Urban Capital Improvement Scheme Application
Scrutiny Comment	The Finance and Audit Scrutiny Committee supported the recommendations in the report.		
Executive Response	The Executive thanked the scrutiny committee for their support.		

Item no	14	Title	Election 2015 Count Venue – Exemption to Code of Procurement Practice
Scrutiny Comment	The Finance and Audit Scrutiny Committee supported the recommendations in the report.		

**Executive
Response**

The Executive thanked the scrutiny committee for their support.