Agenda Item No.

CABINET

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COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE 46

The following action taken in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 46 is reported. In consultation with the appropriate Executive Councillor(s):-

1. The Corporate Director for Corporate Services authorised:

- 1.1 <u>New Letting Pier Hill Retail Unit, Western Esplanade</u> Approval of the lease terms for the new letting of the Pier Hill Retail Unit to Costa Limited (as et out in the confidential sheet) following surrender of the old lease and a period of open marketing.
- 1.2 Amendments to Elm Road Development Brief

Approval to proceed with the consultation on the Elm Road Development Brief and particularly the amended red-line plan which now excludes 67 and 69 Elm Road. The Brief will provide a framework to inform the consideration of planning applications in due course once adopted and published. The proposed changes will update the document prior to publication to account for various changes on site including the demolition of Leigh Youth Centre, the extension of the car park, the move by Leigh Town Council into the Community Centre, the commercial leasing of 67 Elm Road and the exclusion of 67 and 69 Elm Road

2. The Corporate Director for Place authorised:

2.1 <u>C2C Timetable Consultation</u>

The content and submission of the Council's response, which includes the views of council officers and Members, to the C2C timetable consultation before the deadline of 15 January 2105.

2.2 <u>Dedicated Police Vehicle Parking Bays, Claremont Road and</u> London Road

Approval to advertise a traffic regulation order to dedicated two parking bays for marked police vehicles on the highway in Claremont Road and London Road, close to the Westcliff Police Station to accommodate the additional vehicles based at the Westcliff Police Station whilst the Southend Police Station is being refurbished.

2.3 <u>Broadband Connection Voucher Scheme</u>

The formal response to the Department for Media, Culture and Sport setting out the Council's agreement to its participation in the SME Broadband Connection Voucher Scheme.

2.4 <u>Application to the Department for Transport (DfT) Challenge Fund</u> <u>– Street Lighting</u>

Approval to submit an application to the DfT Challenge Fund for a sum in the region of £5m to help accelerate the replacement of old lamp columns and the installation of LED street lights, the content of the formal application to be agreed between the Corporate Director for Place and the Head of Finance and Resources.

2.5 EU Grant Acceptance for the TRACE Project

The formal acceptance of the abovementioned grant from the EU Horizon 2020 programme to form part of a consortium to explore the potential of walking and cycling tracking services to promote walking and cycling mobility. Focusing on established walking and cycling promotion measures, the project called TRACE will assess the potential of a new App based tracking service to encourage the wider take up of new technology and encourage more sustainable transport. The priorities of the programme are consistent with the proposed policies in Local Transport Plan 3. The project would commence on 1st April 2015 and complete on 31st March 2018. The value of the Southend element of the application is approximately £110,000, 100% EU funded over three years. This will support and fund existing staff who are currently working on related LSTF projects.