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NOTIFICATION OF COUNCIL DECISIONS

COUNCIL – 10 SEPTEMBER 2012

The following decisions were taken at the above meeting: -

Agenda Item 5 – By-Election for District Council Milford Ward (Report B)

DECISION:

That the report be noted.

Agenda Item 6 – Reports of Committee and Cabinet

General Purposes & Licensing Committee

DECISION:

That the report be received and the recommendation be adopted.

Cabinet

DECISION:

That the reports be received and the recommendations be adopted.

Agenda Item 8 – Portfolio Holder Questions Under Standing Order 22A

Cllr D Harrison asked the Portfolio Holder for Planning & Transportation how many sites there were in the New Forest District Council area where planning permission had already been granted for housing development but still remained undeveloped.

The Portfolio Holder replied that there were 15 large sites (10 or more dwellings) outstanding, of which 10 had not been started – i.e. did not currently have dwellings under construction.

Cllr D Harrison asked a supplementary question as to whether the Council should consider imposing financial penalties on those developers whose planning permission had expired. The Portfolio Holder replied that he was unclear whether the Council had powers in this regard but would look into the matter and advise members. However he reported that in total there was in place with planning permission in the district outside the National Park for 1,137 dwellings. This included 198 affordable dwellings. Overall, 298 (63 affordable) dwellings were currently under construction and would be delivered shortly.

Cllr C Harrison asked the Leader of the Council whether he was yet able to confirm the cause of the Council's recent I.T outage. The Chief Executive replied that the Executive Management Team would consider the matter at their meeting the following day. The report was available on Forestnet under the EMT section. He said that the report indicated that the systems failed due to a problem with the Firmware. Firmware was used in hardware devices such as disk controllers. It was likely that a power surge stimulated the fault to produce the multiple disk failure. EMT would discuss options to minimise the risk of similar failures occurring.

Cllr D Harrison asked the Portfolio Holder for Planning & Transportation whether the Council could open the car park at Appletree Court to members of the public attending the St George's Day parade, as the public had experienced difficulties parking on the day of the parade. In reply, it was reported that the Council had discussed making the car park at Appletree Court available as an overflow car park in the past and had done so for the Olympic Torch Relay. However there were a number of security issues to consider. The Portfolio Holder would look into this matter in more detail.

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