CABINET - 16 NOVEMBER, 2010

Minute No. 69

Councillor Call for Action: Budshead Trust

The Director for Corporate Support submitted a written report indicating that the Overview and Scrutiny Management Board, at its meetings on 6 and 27 October 2010, had considered a Councillor Call for Action with regard to the lack of core funding for the Budshead Trust, in the sum of £30,000. (Minute 45 and draft minute 50 refer).

The report indicated that the Overview and Scrutiny Management Board made a number of recommendations for consideration by Cabinet and that, in the meantime, many of those recommendations had been actioned in advance of this meeting, where Cabinet authority was not required.

Councillor James (Chair of the Overview and Scrutiny Management Board) outlined the process for the Councillor Call for Action and advised Cabinet Members that the lack of core funding was putting the Budshead Trust projects in jeopardy.

Agreed that -

- the concerns regarding the Budshead Trust, the work already undertaken at a locality level to address some of those concerns, and the opportunities for additional funding in the short-term, are noted;
- (2) Cabinet is unable to identify any additional funding from the Council (except the Community Grants Scheme at councillor's individual discretion), to support the running costs of the Budshead Trust, as Cabinet is likely to receive a number of such applications and there are no financial resources available for this purpose;
- (3) the granting of a temporary lease of the disused university sports facilities is not supported, for the reasons set out by the Head of Capital and Assets in the report.