

LEGAL AND DEMOCRATIC SERVICES

COMMITTEE DECISION SHEET

URGENT BUSINESS COMMITTEE - TUESDAY, 11 MARCH 2014

Please let the Committee Officer know as soon as possible if you do not agree with any action proposed in this decision sheet. These are decisions of the Committee and there is an expectation that action will be taken. If for any reason it is apparent that you will not be able to act on these instructions in full or in part or that there will be a delay, please let the Committee Officer know as it may be necessary to advise the Committee or seek further instructions from the Committee.

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| 1 | <u>Determination of Urgent Business</u> | <u>The Committee resolved:</u> to agree that the items were of an urgent nature and required to be considered this day. | | |
| 2 | <u>Determination of Exempt Business</u> | <u>The Committee resolved:</u> in terms of Section 50(A)(4) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973, to exclude the press and public from the meeting during consideration of items 3 and 4 so as to avoid disclosure of exempt information of the classes described in paragraphs 6 and 12 of Schedule 7(A) of the Act. | | |
| 3 | <u>Belmont Media Centre - Report by Director of Education, Culture and Sport</u> | <u>The Committee resolved:</u> (i) to approve the allocation of £120,000 to the Centre for the Moving Image towards the purchase of digital projection equipment for the Belmont Media Centre; and (ii) to approve the additional expenditure of £10,000 per annum to be included in the payment for services, making the | Education, Culture and Sport | Gayle Gorman/ Gary Cameron |

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| | | total annual payment to the Centre for the Moving Image £85,000. | | |
| 4 | <p><u>Urgent Motion by Councillor McCaig</u></p> <p>“Council agrees that it is unacceptable for the Council funds to be used for political campaigning and instructs the Chief Executive to ensure that the pro ‘Better Together’ letters to the citizens of Aberdeen from the Council Leader be destroyed and calls on the Council Administration to repay all costs incurred by the Council in the production and destruction of what it considers to be party political propaganda.”</p> | <p><u>The Committee resolved:</u></p> <p>(i) to agree that it is unacceptable for the Council funds to be used for political campaigning;</p> <p>(ii) to agree that the letter being sent to the citizens of Aberdeen from the Council Leader reiterates Council policy; and</p> <p>(iii) to instruct the Chief Executive to send the letters alongside the Council tax statements.</p> | <p>Office of Chief Executive</p> <p>Finance</p> | <p>Valerie Watts</p> <p>Steve Whyte</p> |

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