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This document lists the decisions taken by the special Cabinet at its meeting on 8 January 2013. The list covers key and non-key decisions. These decisions will come into force within ten working days of the date of this document (i.e. 25 January 2013) unless the appropriate Overview and Scrutiny Committee calls a decision in.

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If you have any queries or wish to obtain further report information or information on a decision please refer to:
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5/10/12-13	Cabinet	8 January 2013	1	Release of Capital Funds – CCTV Upgrade	Non-Key	Various	No	Resources	6.
6/10/12-13	Cabinet	8 January 2013	1	Garage Refurbishment and Capital Contract	Non-Key	All	No	Resources	7.
7/10/12-13	Cabinet	8 January 2013	2	Write Offs Over £10,000	Non-Key	All	No	Resources	8.

LIST REFERENCE: 1/10/12-13

SUBJECT / TITLE OF REPORT
Hatfield Town Centre – Works to Wellfield Road Car Park

Part 1 or 2 (relevant exempt Paragraph)	Wards affected by the Decision	Decision taken by	Date decision taken	Interest declared in respect of the Decision	Category of decision (i.e. Key, Non-Key, Council, Urgent)	Contact Details	Eligible for Call-in & Date to be called in by	Appropriate Overview and Scrutiny Committee
1	Hatfield Central	Cabinet	8 January 2013	No	Budget item for recommendation to Council	Mike Storey 01707 357457 m.storey@welhat.gov.uk	No	Environment

DECISION:
The work carried out was noted and the Cabinet recommended the Council to create a new revenue budget in the sum of £40,000 (of which £10,000 would be contributed by the Housing Revenue Account) to cover the cost of the work carried out to date and the next stage of detailed investigation to identify the required remedial action.

BACKGROUND:
Report of the Director (Finance and Operations) to Cabinet item 6(a) refers

LIST REFERENCE: 2/10/12-13

SUBJECT / TITLE OF REPORT
Serco Streetscene Contract Extension
General Fund Budget 2013/14
Capital Programme – 2013/14 to 2017/18
Housing Revenue Account Budget – 2013/14
Council Tax Base 2013/14
Treasury Management Strategy 2013/14
Medium Term Financial Strategy

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1	All	Cabinet	8 January 2013	No	Forward Plan Ref:FP559 560 561 and 562	Durk Reyner 01707 357160 d.reyner@welhat.gov.uk Ka Ng 01707 357425 k.ng@welhat.gov.uk Tracy Fortune 01707 357219 t.fortune@welhat.gov.uk Keith Reynoldson 01707 357297 k.reynoldson@welhat.gov.uk Pam Kettle 01707 357275 p.kettle@welhat.gov.uk Farhad Cantel 01707 357011 f.cantel@welhat.gov.uk	Referred for consideration to the Resources Overview and Scrutiny Committee on 10 January 2013 as part of the budget setting process	Resources

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DECISION:

The Cabinet agreed the recommendations on Serco Streetscene Contract Extension, General Fund Budget 2013/14, Capital Programme 2013/14 to 2017/18 and Medium Term Financial Strategy and in the joint report of the Director (Strategy and Development) and Director (Finance and Operations) on the Housing Revenue Account budget for 2013/14 for reference to the Resources Overview and Scrutiny Committee on 10 January for consideration and report back to the special Cabinet meeting on 22 January 2013.

The Cabinet recommended the Council to approve the Treasury Management Strategy and Treasury Management Indicators for 2013/14.

The Cabinet approved the Council tax base for 2013/14 incorporating a collection rate of 97.21% in accordance with the Local Authorities (Calculation of Council Tax Base) Regulations 2012

BACKGROUND:

Report of the Director (Finance and Operations) to Cabinet item 7(a) - (f) and 11 refers

LIST REFERENCE: 3/10/12-13

SUBJECT / TITLE OF REPORT
Welwyn Garden City Carnival and Hatfield Festival

Part 1 or 2 (relevant exempt Paragraph)	Wards affected by the Decision	Decision taken by	Date decision taken	Interest declared in respect of the Decision	Category of decision (i.e. Key, Non-Key, Council, Urgent)	Contact Details	Eligible for Call-in & Date to be called in by	Appropriate Overview and Scrutiny Committee
1	All	Cabinet	8 January 2013	No	Non-Key	Chris Conway 01707 357346 c.conway@welhat.gov.uk	No	Social

DECISION:
The Committee's recommendation that focus be given to a week long event in each town which built on proposed existing programmed events and was delivered at an appropriate level to the resources available was approved by the Cabinet.

BACKGROUND:
Recommendation of the Social Overview and Scrutiny Committee on 11 December 2012 to the Cabinet item 8(a) refers.

LIST REFERENCE: 4/10/12-13

SUBJECT / TITLE OF REPORT
Council's Achievement List

Part 1 or 2 (relevant exempt Paragraph)	Wards affected by the Decision	Decision taken by	Date decision taken	Interest declared in respect of the Decision	Category of decision (i.e. Key, Non-Key, Council, Urgent)	Contact Details	Eligible for Call-in & Date to be called in by	Appropriate Overview and Scrutiny Committee
1	All	Cabinet	8 January 2013	No	Non-Key	Nancy Sardari-Kermani 01707 357271 n.sardari-kermani@welhat.gov.uk	No	Resources

DECISION:
The Cabinet noted the Council's achievement list.

BACKGROUND:
Report of the Director (Strategy and Development) to Cabinet item 12 refers.

LIST REFERENCE: 5/10/12-13

SUBJECT / TITLE OF REPORT								
Release of Capital Funds – CCTV Upgrade								

Part 1 or 2 (relevant exempt Paragraph)	Wards affected by the Decision	Decision taken by	Date decision taken	Interest declared in respect of the Decision	Category of decision (i.e. Key, Non-Key, Council, Urgent)	Contact Details	Eligible for Call-in & Date to be called in by	Appropriate Overview and Scrutiny Committee
1	Various	Cabinet	8 January 2013	No	Non-Key	Tim Beyer 01707 357309 t.beyer@welhat.gov.uk	No	Resources

DECISION:
The release of £10,000 in the 2012/13 capital budget for the upgrade of CCTV componentry to maintain the network's integrity was approved.

BACKGROUND:
Report of the Director (Strategy and Development) to Cabinet item 13 refers.

LIST REFERENCE: 6/10/12-13

SUBJECT / TITLE OF REPORT
Garage Refurbishment and Capital Contract

Part 1 or 2 (relevant exempt Paragraph)	Wards affected by the Decision	Decision taken by	Date decision taken	Interest declared in respect of the Decision	Category of decision (i.e. Key, Non-Key, Council, Urgent)	Contact Details	Eligible for Call-in & Date to be called in by	Appropriate Overview and Scrutiny Committee
1	All	Cabinet	8 January 2013	No	Non-Key	Andrew Harper 01707 357371 a.harper@welhat.gov.uk	No	Resources

DECISION:
The Cabinet agreed that the current procurement process be abandoned on the grounds that best value had not been achieved and a new process would commence in 2013 with the same Task and Finish Group overseeing the procurement.

BACKGROUND:
Report of the Director (Finance and Operations) to Cabinet item 14 refers.

LIST REFERENCE: 7/10/12-13

SUBJECT / TITLE OF REPORT
Write Offs Over £10,000

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2	All	Cabinet	8 January 2013	No	Non-Key	Farhad Cantel 01707 357011 f.cantel@welhat.gov.uk	No	Resources

DECISION:
The write off of two non-domestic rate accounts of over £10,000 totalling £22,787.77 was approved.

BACKGROUND:
Exempt report of the Director (Finance and Operations) to Cabinet item 17 refers. As the report contains confidential/exempt information it is not available to the press or public.