CABINET RESONSE TO COMMUNITIES SELECT COMMITTEE MAGNA CARTA ANNIVERSARY

SELECT COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

- a) That prior to a decision being taken on any financial contribution from the County Council to the proposals for celebrating the 800th anniversary of the sealing of the Magna Carta, the Cabinet be provided with a detailed business case, concept idea and impact assessment.
- b) That the Cabinet ensures that any financial contribution which the County Council makes is conditional upon the proposed financial contributions being made by its partners; if there are changes to the proposed investment by partners, then the County Council's financial contribution is to be reassessed by Cabinet.

RESPONSE

Firstly I would like to thank the Communities Select Committee for their consideration of the progress which has been made over the past six or seven months since they last considered the proposals around the Magna Carta Anniversary.

I note the Select Committee's comments and, in particular, the concerns raised. This is an outline masterplan about which a lot more detail will need to be developed in the future. I have discussed this with the Chairman of the Select Committee and have agreed that we will come back to the Select Committee and wider Members at a workshop or seminar in the autumn to discuss how the masterplan is developing and to make sure that Members have their input into it.

I am very grateful for the time which the Select Committee have taken in deliberating this issue.

Mrs Helyn Clack Cabinet Member for Community Services 23 July 2013 This page is intentionally left blank