29 November 2012

This record relates to Agenda Item 91

RECORD OF POLICY & RESOURCES COMMITTEE DECISION

SUBJECT: ROYAL PAVILION AND MUSEUMS

CATERING CONTRACT

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THE DECISION

- (1) That the award of the tender for catering services to the Royal Pavilion & Museums to Peyton & Byrne be approved;
- (2) That it be noted that the contract has been tendered jointly with Brighton Dome & Festival and will be managed under a Partnership Agreement and
- (3) That it be noted that staff currently working at Hove Museum Tearoom and the Royal Pavilion Tearoom will be subject to Transfer of Undertakings (Protection of Employment) Regulations 2006 ("TUPE") arrangements, and
- (4) That the Head of Royal Pavilion and Museums be granted delegated authority in consultation with the Director of Finance, the Interim Lead Chief Executive Services, the Acting Head of Human Resources and the Chair of the Economic Development & Culture Committee, to resolve TUPE and pensions arrangements following staff consultation and to authorise the Interim Lead Chief Executive Services to complete all the necessary documentation regarding such matters and the award of this contract.

REASON FOR THE DECISION

Recommendations are made on a financial basis. The Council cannot continue to underwrite what should be a service generating income to enable core museum services to operate. Even with investment, repayment costs would still mean that catering would not achieve income targets. Tendering the business jointly with the BDFL provides opportunity to maximise income and encourage much needed investment into areas of the service that lack investment and are not in keeping with the quality expected from major museums and heritage attractions.

DETAILS OF ANY ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

As detailed in the Part 2 Report.

Proper Officer:

Date: 30/11/2012 Mark Wall, Head of Democratic Services

Signed:

CALL-IN FOR SCRUTINY

Note: This decision will come into force at the expiry of 5 working days from the date of the meeting at which the decision was taken subject to:

- (i) any requirement for earlier implementation of the decision or,
- (ii) the decision being called in for review by 5 Members from two or more Groups represented on the Council.