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CHIEF EXECUTIVE

Councillor S. Langhorn,
Chairman of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee.

**Town Hall
Dalton Square
Lancaster
LA1 1PJ**

22nd February 2008

DX 63531

Dear Councillor Langhorn,

URGENT BUSINESS – MARITIME FESTIVAL 2008

Members are requested to consider addressing a deficit identified in organising the 2008 Maritime Festival in accordance with the Council's Urgent Business Procedure. Details of the proposals are set out within the attached report.

The urgency for this decision is that the Festival is due to commence on 21st March and for operational reasons on behalf of the organisers it is impracticable to defer the decision until the next appropriate meeting of Cabinet.

The recommendation is that consideration be given to the options available and that a preferred option be selected from:-

- (A) Organising the 2008 Maritime Festival to a reduced budget (based only on the income generated).**
- (B) Cancelling the event.**
- (C) Approval for the event to go ahead with funding being found from other budgets.**

Additional information regarding each option is contained within the attached report.

The approval of the Chief Executive has been sought to this action in accordance with Overview and Scrutiny Committee Procedure Rule 17(a).

I would be grateful if you could consider the immediate implementation of this course of action subject to the agreement of the Chief Executive to waive the right of call-in, in accordance with Overview and Scrutiny Committee Procedure Rule 17(a). Please complete the attached slip signifying your decision and return it to the Town Hall as soon as possible. In the meantime, could you please telephone Jon Stark on 582132, or e-mail JStark@lancaster.gov.uk, with your decision.

Yours sincerely,

CHIEF EXECUTIVE
Enc.

Mark Cullinan – Chief Executive

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*I ~~agree~~/do not agree (***please delete as appropriate**) to this matter being treated as a matter of urgency in accordance with Overview and Scrutiny Committee Procedure Rule 17(a) and therefore not being subject to call-in.

Signed: Stuart Langhorn

Dated: 22nd February 2008

Chief Executive Decision

I have considered the request that my decision be treated as a matter of urgency in accordance with Overview and Scrutiny Committee Procedure Rule 17(a) and therefore not being subject to call-in. However, after consultation with the Chairman of Overview and Scrutiny I agree that this matter should be subject to call-in.

Signed: Mark Cullinan

Chief Executive

Dated: 25th February 2008

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