



Leicester  
City Council

## **MEETING OF THE CABINET**

**DATE: MONDAY, 25 APRIL 2005**

**TIME: 5:00 pm**

**PLACE: COMMITTEE ROOMS 2 & 3, 'B' BLOCK, NEW WALK  
CENTRE, KING STREET, LEICESTER**

### **Members of the Committee**

Councillor Willmott (Chair)

Councillor Draycott (Vice-Chair)

Councillors Bhatti, Connelly, Corral, Getliffe, Kitterick, Waddington

Members of the Cabinet are invited to attend the above meeting to consider the items of business listed overleaf.

for Town Clerk

### **MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC:**

**YOU ARE VERY WELCOME TO ATTEND TO OBSERVE THE PROCEEDINGS.  
HOWEVER, PLEASE NOTE THAT YOU ARE NOT ABLE TO PARTICIPATE IN  
THE MEETING.**

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## **INFORMATION FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC**

### **ACCESS TO INFORMATION AND MEETINGS**

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### **BRAILLE/AUDIO TAPE**

If there are any particular reports that you would like translating into Braille or providing on audio tape, the Committee Administrator can provide this for you (production times will depend upon equipment/facility availability).

**General Enquiries - if you have any queries about any of the above or the business to be discussed, please contact Frances Wake/Roanne Dearing, Committee Services on (0116) 252 6028/7154 or call in at the Customer Service Centre.**

**Press Enquiries - please phone the Communications Unit on 252 6081**

## **PUBLIC SESSION**

### **AGENDA**

#### **1. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Members are asked to declare any interests they may have in the business to be discussed and/or indicate that Section 106 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992 applies to them.

#### **2. LEADER'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

The minutes of the meeting held on 4 April 2005, have been circulated to Members and the Cabinet is asked to approve them as a correct record.

#### **4. MATTERS REFERRED FROM SCRUTINY COMMITTEES**

**Appendix A**

##### **Leisure and Environment Scrutiny Committee – 6 April 2005**

The following was agreed at the above meeting. The full minute extract and an Officer response is attached as appendix A.

##### **Road Humps on Melbourne Road and Adjacent Side Streets**

RESOLVED:

That whilst the expenditure to reconstruct the road humps on Melbourne Road to facilitate bus movement is welcome, Cabinet be asked to take into consideration the concerns of the long suffering residents of Highfields and take immediate steps to reduce the size of the road humps in adjoining streets.

**Councillor Kitterick to respond.**

#### **5. SCHOOL ADMISSION ARRANGEMENTS FOR 2006**

**Appendix B**

Councillor Waddington submits a report summarising the results of the annual statutory consultation on admission arrangements and limits for entry into schools for 2006, and proposes arrangements for implementation. Cabinet is recommended to adopt the proposal to overfill a school exceptionally beyond its admission number where the place is for a Looked After Child, adopt the proposal to apply the sibling rule differently, retain the present system of mid term admissions, continue with the existing priority areas with the Sandfield Close adjustment, discontinue the operation of the over subscription list for places in key stage 4, adopt the proposed co-ordinated scheme for primary admissions with a common closing date of 24 February 2006 in the first year of

operation and adopt the proposed model policy for F1 entry into part time education in a mainstream school.

**The relevant minute extract of the Education and Lifelong Learning Scrutiny Committee to be held on 18 April will be circulated as soon as it is available.**

**6. DEVELOPING HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE CENTRES THROUGH LIFT AND NEW DEAL FOR COMMUNITIES** **Appendix C**

Councillor Getliffe submits a report describing the programme for developing Health and Social Care Centres across the City, and seeks approval for delegated authority to progress with the Council's involvement in the next stage of Leicester LIFT (Local Improvement Finance Trust), as outlined in the second Strategic Service Development Plan (SSDP). Cabinet is recommended to note the development of Health and Social Care Centres through Leicester LIFT and the Braunstone New Deal, delegate authority to the Corporate Director of Social Care and Health, in conjunction with the Leader, the Cabinet Lead and the Corporate Director of Resources, Access and Diversity to sign the final version of the LIFT second SSDP and that Cabinet determine that agreement by the Council to progress with the additional projects listed in the LIFT Strategic Service Plan is subject to further Cabinet decisions based on confirmation of affordability, including the final position of Private Finance Initiatives.

**The full supporting information is available on the Council's website at [www.cabinet.leicester.gov.uk](http://www.cabinet.leicester.gov.uk), in the Group Rooms in the Members' Area or by telephoning Committee Services on (0116) 252 7154.**

**7. SCHEME OF DELEGATION** **Appendix D**

Councillor Draycott submits a report asking Cabinet to consider the outcome of a review of its Scheme of Delegation to Officers which has been carried out by all Scrutiny Committees and consider whether and what decisions to delegate to individual Cabinet Members and the procedure required. Cabinet is recommended to note and consider the views expressed by Scrutiny Committees, require the Town Clerk to introduce a system whereby decisions made by the Chief Executive/Corporate Directors in consultation with relevant Cabinet Members are recorded and reported to Cabinet every three months and decide if any further action is required.

**The relevant minute extract of the Resources and Equal Opportunities Scrutiny Committee held on 17 March 2005 is attached.**

**8. ECO-MANAGEMENT AND AUDIT SCHEME (EMAS)** **Appendix E**

Councillor Corrall submits a report providing information on the Council's progress towards the corporate environmental improvement targets, which form part of the Eco Management and Audit Scheme (EMAS), the corporate

environmental management system. Cabinet is recommended to note the progress towards the EMAS targets during 2003/04, note the minor amendments made to the EMAS targets for 2003/04, agree the implementation of the proposed 2005/06 action programme and agree the draft text for the 7<sup>th</sup> EMAS public statement.

**The relevant minute extract of the Leisure and Environment Scrutiny Committee held on 6 April 2005 is attached.**

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**9. REPLACEMENT OF CITY OF LEICESTER LOCAL PLAN - PROPOSED MODIFICATIONS** **Appendix F**

Councillor Willmott submits a report seeking approval of the Council's response to the Local Plan Inquiry Inspector's recommendations and the proposed modifications to the Local Plan. Cabinet is recommended to submit the report to Council for approval.

**The relevant minute extracts from the Development Control Committee to be held on 19 April 2005 and the Strategic Planning and Regeneration Scrutiny Committee to be held on 20 April 2005 will be circulated as soon as they are available.**

**10. SUPPORTING PEOPLE STRATEGY 2005-10 AND ANNUAL PLAN 2005-06** **Appendix G**

Councillor Getliffe submits a report seeking the approval of the 2005-10 Supporting People Strategy and Annual Plan 2005-06 as agreed by the Supporting People Commissioning Body. Cabinet is recommended to approve the Supporting People Strategy for 2005-10 and Annual Plan 2005-06.

**The relevant minute extract of the Social Care and Health Scrutiny Committee (Social Care stream) held on 7 April 2005 is attached.**

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**11. STRENGTHENING COMMUNITY SAFETY** **Appendix H**

Councillor Corrall submits a report advising Cabinet of the implications of the Council resolution and referral back to Cabinet from its meeting on 31 March 2005. Cabinet is recommended to determine which of the options outlined in the report, or others, it wishes to pursue.

**12. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON CAPITAL SCHEMES Appendix I  
- LAN INFRASTRUCTURE UPGRADE AND  
CORPORATE EDRMS**

Councillor Draycott submits a report providing additional information for two supported schemes within the Capital Programme, so that approval can be given for them to go ahead without delay in 2005/06. Cabinet is recommended to approve the capital expenditure of £100,000 in each of the next three years for the ongoing maintenance of the Local Area Network Structure, and approve the capital expenditure of £350,000 in 2005/06 and £250,000 in 2006/07 for the introduction of a corporate Electronic Document and Record Management System.

**13. CUSTOMER ACCESS STRATEGY Appendix J**

Councillor Draycott submits a report presenting the Customer Access Strategy for consideration. Cabinet is recommended to note the progress made since the Customer Care Best Value review in 2001 and endorse the Customer Access strategy.

**14. LOCAL AREA AGREEMENT Appendix K**

Councillor Draycott submits a report seeking the agreement of Cabinet to support an expression of interest through the Leicester Partnership to become one of the second phase of areas to enter into Local Area Agreements with central government. Cabinet is recommended to support an expression of interest, through the Leicester Partnership, for Leicester to take part in the second phase of areas entering into Local Area Agreements with central government, and ask Officers to work with partners on developing improved methods of joint working on shared local priorities, irrespective whether Leicester has a second phase Local Area Agreement.

**15. DISABILITY DISCRIMINATION ACT INITIATIVES Appendix L  
2005/2006**

Councillor Willmott submits a report advising Cabinet of works recommended to be funded from the Disability Discrimination Act Initiatives budget for 2005/06, including the Access to Work portion of the budget, and seeks approval to enable the programme to proceed. Cabinet is recommended to approve the works outlined in appendix 1, including the allocation of £20,000 to Access to Work, and approve the sum of £17,750 in the event that urgent works are required in the light of comments received and authorise the Corporate Director of Resources, Access and Diversity to authorise the works.

**16. ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS**

**17. PRIVATE SESSION**

AGENDA

## MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO NOTE

Under the law, the Cabinet is entitled to consider certain items in private. Members of the public will be asked to leave the meeting when such items are discussed.

The Cabinet is recommended to consider the following reports in private on the grounds that they contain 'exempt' information as defined by the Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985, and consequently that the Cabinet makes the following resolution:-

“that the press and public be excluded during consideration of the following reports in accordance with the provisions of Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, as amended, because they involve the likely disclosure of 'exempt' information, as defined in the Paragraphs detailed below of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act.”

### Paragraph 9

Any terms proposed or to be proposed by or to the authority in the course of negotiations for a contract for the acquisition or disposal of property or the supply of goods or services

#### **Old Town Development Partnership**

### Paragraph 7

Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (other than the authority).

and

### Paragraph 8

The amount of any expenditure proposed to be incurred by the authority under any particular contract for the acquisition of property or the supply of goods or services.

#### **Compulsory Purchase of 7 Wymar Close**

### Paragraph 12

Any legal proceedings by or against the authority or the determination of any matter affecting the authority, whether in either case proceedings have commenced or are in contemplation.

#### **Leicester Asian Youth Association and 27A Access Arts**

## **18. OLD TOWN DEVELOPMENT PARTNERSHIP - PROGRESS UPDATE**

**Appendix B1**

Councillor Draycott submits a report.

**19. COMPULSORY PURCHASE OF 7 WYMAR CLOSE,  
BEAUMONT LEYS**

**Appendix B2**

Councillor Bhatti submits a report.

**20. LEICESTER ASIAN YOUTH ASSOCIATION AND 27A  
ACCESS ARTS**

**Appendix B3**

Councillor Connelly submits a report.



