

MEETING OF THE CABINET

DATE: MONDAY, 5 SEPTEMBER 2005

TIME: 5:00 pm

PLACE: COMMITTEE ROOMS 2 & 3, 'B' BLOCK, NEW WALK

CENTRE, KING STREET, LEICESTER

Members of the Committee

Councillor R Blackmore (Chair) Councillor Scuplak (Vice-Chair)

Councillors Coley, Farmer, Grant, Gill, Metcalfe, Mugglestone and Suleman

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

for Town Clerk

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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 25 July 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

Resources and Equal Opportunities Scrutiny Committee – 4 August 2005

The following was agreed at the above meeting. The full minute extract is attached at appendix A.

Project Management (Improving Services For Children And Young People And For Adults)

RESOLVED:

- (1) That the Committee express to Cabinet the view that the costs of the recruitment process should be kept as low as possible, with as much of the work as possible being carried out in house, and
- (2) that concern be expressed that the high level of salary advertised may deter potentially able candidates applying for the post who may feel, because of their current level of earnings, that this job is 'beyond their reach'.

Councillor Blackmore to respond.

5. LEICESTER NIGHTIME ECONOMY - REPORT OF THE Appendix B STRATEGIC PLANNING AND REGENERATION SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Councillor Vincent, Chair of the Strategic Planning and Regeneration Scrutiny Committee submits a report which presents the conclusions and recommendations of the in depth investigation into the night-time economy of

Leicester that was carried out by the Leicester Night-time Economy Review Group on behalf of the Committee. The report asks the Cabinet to consider the recommendations of the Review Group.

Councillor Vincent will give a presentation of up to 5 minutes, following which Cabinet Members will have an opportunity to ask questions. When Councillor Vincent has withdrawn from the table, the Cabinet may choose to hold a discussion on the Report.

6. STRATEGIC OPTIONS FOR THE DELIVERY OF Appendix C ADULT LEARNING BY LEICESTER CITY COUNCIL

Councillor Suleman submits a report seeking Cabinet approval to engage an agency to conduct consultation on options for the management of the delivery of adult learning provided by the City Council.

The relevant minute of the meeting of the Education and Lifelong Learning Scrutiny Committee on 1 September will be circulated as soon as it is available

7. REVIEW OF STREET TRADING POLICY Appendix D

Councillor Mugglestone submits a report which seeks Cabinet's views in relation to the Council's Street Trading Policy.

The relevant minute extract from the Licensing Committee on 8 September 2004 is attached to the report.

8. DEVELOPMENT OF LEICESTER COMPACT: UPDATE Appendix E

Councillor Blackmore submits a report updating Cabinet on progress since January. The Cabinet is asked to confirm its agreement, in principle, to develop a Compact in partnership with the voluntary and community sector and to the establishment of a Compact Consultative Forum and other supporting mechanisms to enable the development of a Compact; to agree that the Council seeks the involvement in the development of the Compact of other public sector organisations, as appropriate and to authorise the Assistant Chief Executive to decide whether to call a meeting of the Commission and its nature, if called, following consultation with the Consultative Forum.

9. JOINT INSPECTION OF SERVICES TO OLDER Appendix F PEOPLE - ACTION PLANS

Councillor Gill submits a report which presents action plans produced in response to recent joint inspection of Older People's Services. The Cabinet is asked to endorse the Action Plans.

The relevant minute extract of the Social Services Scrutiny Committee held on 3 August is attached to the report.

10. LEARNING & SKILLS COUNCIL (LSC) DISABILITY Appendix G DISCRIMINATION LEGISLATION COMPLIANCE GRANT 2005/2006

Councillor Suleman submits a report which seeks Cabinet approval to the acceptance and expenditure of Disability Discrimination Act compliance grant from the Learning and Skills Council.

11. BUILDING SCHOOLS FOR THE FUTURE - THE ICT Appendix H MANAGED SERVICE

Councillor Suleman submits a report which seeks to demonstrate that ICT is an integral component for achieving education transformation through the 'Building Schools for the Future' (BSF) programme and proposes that the most effective way of making a step change is to invest in ICT through a Managed Service contract for Secondary Schools. The Cabinet is asked to approve the procurement of a managed service provision for ICT for the Leicester BSF programme.

12. BUILDING SCHOOLS FOR THE FUTURE - RELATED Appendix I STAFF ISSUES

Councillor Suleman submits a report which provides a broad picture of the implications on staff of the 'Building Schools for the Future' project. The Cabinet is asked to agree a number of actions in relation to staff matters

13. ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS