



Leicester  
City Council

## **MEETING OF THE CABINET**

**DATE: MONDAY, 24 OCTOBER 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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**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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## **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 26 September 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**

##### **a) Health Scrutiny Committee 22 September 2005**

**Appendix A1**

The following was agreed at the above meeting. The full minute extract is attached at appendix A1.

##### **UK Influenza Pandemic – Potential Implications**

RESOLVED:

That the report and the comments of the Health Scrutiny Committee be referred to Cabinet for consideration.

**Councillor Gill to respond.**

**An officer report is also attached at Appendix A1.**

##### **b) Health Scrutiny Committee 22 September 2005**

**Appendix A2**

The following was agreed at the above meeting. The full minute extract is attached at Appendix A2.

##### **Choosing Health White Paper – Public Health Implications of Smoking**

RESOLVED:

- (1) That a report be prepared for Cabinet and Council, based on the background papers, proposing a

review of the Council's existing policies on smoking in its own premises and those it regulates;

- (2) That a letter be sent from the Health Scrutiny Committee to University Hospitals Leicester, the Magistrates' Court and relevant officers in Leicester City Council requesting that action be taken to deter people smoking outside main entrances to their premises.

**Councillor Gill to respond.**

**5. IMPROVING CORPORATE PARENTING IN LEICESTER CITY** **Appendix B**

Councillor Gill submits a report seeking to secure commitment to the enhancement of the existing Corporate Parenting initiative, and agreement to its development plan. The Cabinet is asked to; nominate a Cabinet Corporate Parenting Champion; receive a progress from the Cabinet's Corporate Parenting Champion annually; refer to full Council for agreement of and support for the initiative.

**The relevant minutes extracts from the Education and Lifelong Learning Scrutiny Committee on 1 September and the Social Services Scrutiny Committee on 13 September are attached to the report.**

**6. RESTORATIVE JUSTICE AND COMMUNITY REPARATION OPPORTUNITIES PROVIDED BY THE YOUTH OFFENDING SERVICE** **Appendix C**

Councillor Farmer submits a report highlighting the role of restorative justice in the work of the Youth Offending Service (YOS) and suggesting ways in which the City Council can support the YOS in providing increased community reparation opportunities for young people. The Cabinet is asked to approve a number of recommendations which ask for support from the Council's Members, employees and resources for the delivery of restorative justice services.

**7. HOPE HAMILTON C OF E PRIMARY SCHOOL** **Appendix D**

Councillor Suleman submits a report informing the Cabinet of the cost of LEA liabilities incurred for the construction of a new primary school in Hamilton. The Cabinet is asked to agree that the LEA liabilities of £376,869 be met from the Authorities Basic Need Credit Approval allocation for the Hamilton Area.

**8. IMPROVEMENT OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCES IN THE CITY** **Appendix E**

Councillor Mugglestone submits a report which outlines proposals for the improvement of public conveniences in the city so as to provide sustainable

facilities, which reduce the vandalism and unsocial behaviour often associated with the current provision. The Cabinet is asked to consider any recommendations from the Arts, Leisure and Environment Scrutiny Committee; approve the revised proposals for the eight unattended toilet blocks detailed in Section 2 of the supporting information and the priority 1 works detailed in Appendix 1 and authorise the Corporate Director of Regeneration and Culture in consultation with the Cabinet Lead Member for Regeneration and Culture to vary the programme with the total approved sum to reflect changes in circumstances and customer feedback.

**The relevant minutes extract of the Arts, Leisure and Environment Scrutiny Committee on 19 October 2005, will be circulated as soon as they are available.**

**9. BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT PROGRAMME** **Appendix F**

Councillor Grant submits a report which describes how a number of streams of work are being co-ordinated into a Comprehensive Business Improvement Programme and seeking approval for the mandate for this major piece of work.

**10. CABINET'S SCHEME OF DELEGATION** **Appendix G**

Councillor Coley submits a report providing the Cabinet with a first quarterly summary of decisions made at Corporate Director level in consultation with Cabinet Leads and to enable Cabinet to consider whether it wants to update its Scheme of Delegation to officers. The Cabinet is recommended to; note and review the summary of decisions made at Corporate Director level in consultation with Cabinet Leads during the period July to September 2005; authorise the Town Clerk to change the Cabinet's Scheme of Delegation to officers as recommended by Council on 30 June 2005; consider whether any other revisions to the Scheme of Delegation are required and to authorise the Town Clerk to publish any revision to the Scheme in Part 3 of the Constitution.

**11. FESTIVALS AND EVENTS STRATEGY** **Appendix H**

Councillor Mugglestone submits a report seeking Cabinet's approval to adopt three criteria to determine the Council's future financial support to festivals and events and to agree to the further development of the Strategy following consultation. The Cabinet is asked to; confirm its support for the criteria for supporting festivals and events as detailed in the report; note the impact of applying this criteria and give support for second stage consultation with those festivals and events organisers who could have their funding withdrawn or frozen at current levels; receive a further report in December detailing the final version of the strategy and to note that the budget to support the strategy will be considered as part of Council's 2006/7 Budget Strategy.

**12. ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS**

