



Leicester  
City Council

## **MEETING OF THE CABINET**

**DATE: MONDAY, 27 NOVEMBER 2006**  
**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, Grant, Gill, Mugglestone, Ramsdale, Sandringham, Smith and Suleman

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

## **PUBLIC SESSION**

### **AGENDA**

#### **1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

#### **2. 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.

#### **3. LEADER'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **4. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

The minutes of the meeting held on 30 October 2006 and 13 November 2006, have been circulated to Members and the Cabinet is asked to approve them as a correct record.

#### **5. MATTERS REFERRED FROM COMMITTEES**

#### **6. UPDATE ON THE MOBILE CLASSROOM REPLACEMENT PROGRAMME**

**Appendix A**

Councillor Suleman submits a report that advises Members of the adjustments made to the Mobile Classroom Replacement Programme by the Corporate Director under delegated authority and to recommend proposals for the capital projects at Inglehurst Infant and Junior Schools. Cabinet is recommended to note the adjustments made by the Director under delegated authority to the funding allocations for individual projects on the Mobile Classroom Replacement Capital Programme and to agree the additional funding for the projects at Inglehurst Infant and Junior Schools of £1,061,000 from the unallocated funding from the Capital Programme.

**The relevant minute extract from the Children and Young People's Scrutiny Committee on 15 November 2006 will be circulated as soon as it is available.**

#### **7. SURE START GRANT - CAPITAL EXPENDITURE PROPOSALS 2006-2008**

**Appendix B**

Councillor Suleman submits a report that describes for Members how the learning offer for children in the City can be transformed by making best use of the available capital to strengthen the range of services on offer at a neighbourhood level. Cabinet is asked to approve a number of recommendations set out in paragraph 3 of the covering report.

**The relevant minute extract from the Children and Young People's**

**Scrutiny Committee on 15 November 2006 will be circulated as soon as it is available.**

**8. CATHEDRAL GUILDHALL CONSERVATION AREA Appendix C**

Councillor Scuplak submits a report that that recommends Cabinet to approve the boundaries of the Cathedral Guildhall Conservation Area and adopt the Character Appraisal as supplementary guidance to the City of Leicester Local Plan 2006.

**The appendix to the report is attached for Members of the Committee only. Further copies are available on the Councils Web site at: <http://www.cabinet.leicester.gov.uk> or by phoning Committee Services on (0116) 252 6021.**

**9. GAMBLING POLICY Appendix D**

Councillor Mugglestone submits a report that will determine the Council's Gambling Policy as required by the Gambling Act 2005. Cabinet is asked to recommend the draft Gambling policy to be approved by Council.

**The relevant minute extract from the Licensing Committee on 10 November 2006 will be circulated as soon as it is available.**

**The appendices to the report are attached for Members of the Committee only. Further copies are available on the Councils Web site at: <http://www.cabinet.leicester.gov.uk> or by phoning Committee Services on (0116) 252 6021.**

**10. CITY CENTRE IMPROVEMENTS Appendix E**

Councillor Mugglestone submits a report that updates Cabinet on the current position of the three projects delivering public realm improvements in the city centre, brings to their attention programming and funding issues, seeks approval to the release of capital programme moneys and proposes expenditure and funding programmes for future years (2008/09 – 2010/11). Cabinet is asked to approve a number of recommendations as set out in paragraph 3.1 of the report.

**The relevant minute extract from the Economic Development and Planning Scrutiny Committee on 23 November 2006 will be circulated as soon as it is available.**

**11. CREATION OF A JOINT POST OF DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC HEALTH Appendix F**

Councillor Gill submits a report that informs Cabinet of the proposal to appoint a Joint Director of Public Health (DPH) who would work across the City Council and the new Leicester Primary Care Trust (PCT) City, identifies the benefits to the public and to the Council and PCT of a joint approach to Public Health and

informs Members of the Chief Executive's involvement in the recruitment to the post. Cabinet is asked to welcome the opportunity that a Joint DPH brings to the City and note proposals to appoint a joint post. Cabinet is also asked to incorporate Public Health into the portfolio of one of the Cabinet Members in order to ensure co-ordinated action across the city and across all portfolios.

**12. DISABILITY EQUALITY SCHEME AND ACTION PLAN      Appendix G**

Councillor Coley submits a report that clarifies the Council's approach to disability equality and the actions it would take over the next three years to promote the equality of disabled people, and to prevent unlawful discrimination and the harassment of disabled people that is related to their disability. Cabinet is asked to comment on, welcome and approve the report.

**The relevant minute extract from the Resources and Corporate Issues Scrutiny Committee on 16 November 2006 will be circulated as soon as it is available.**

**The appendices to the report are attached for Members of the Committee only. Further copies are available on the Councils Web site at: <http://www.cabinet.leicester.gov.uk> or by phoning Committee Services on (0116) 252 6021.**

**13. NATIONAL PARKING ADJUDICATION SERVICE              Appendix H**

Councillor Coley submits a report that recommends Cabinet to authorise the Service Director (Legal Services) to make the necessary arrangements for the City Council to enter into a National Parking Adjudication Service (NPAS) Joint Committee Agreement and to appoint a Cabinet Member representative and a substitute Cabinet member to serve on the National Parking Adjudication Service Joint Committee.

**The relevant minute extract from the Highways and Transportation Scrutiny Committee on 21 November 2006 will be circulated as soon as it is available.**

**14. APPOINTMENTS TO OUTSIDE BODIES                      Appendix I**

Councillor Coley submits a report that determines City Council representations on two outside bodies – HomeCome Ltd and Leicester Economic Action Project (LEAP). Cabinet is asked to determine the City Council's nominations respectively for Homecome Ltd and the Leicester Economic Action Project.

**15. ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS**

**16. 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, as amended 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 and taking all the circumstances into account, it is considered that the public interest in maintaining the information as exempt outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.

### Paragraph 3

Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information).

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| <b>17. DISPOSAL OF HOUSING SITES</b>  | <b>Appendix B1</b> |
| Councillor Coley submits a report   |                    |
| <b>18. OLD TOWN DEVELOPMENT PARTNERSHIP - PROGRESS UPDATE AND ACQUISITIONS OF LONG LEASEHOLDS</b>                                 | <b>Appendix B2</b> |
| Councillor Coley submits a report   |                    |
| <b>19. CONSTRUCTION AND DEMOLITION OF WASTE RECYCLING FACILITY PROGRESS REPORT AND GRANT OF LEASE OF LAND AT SUNNINGDALE ROAD</b> | <b>Appendix B3</b> |
| Councillor Mugglestone submits a report.  |                    |
| <b>20. PERFORMING ARTS CENTRE</b>   | <b>Appendix B4</b> |
| Councillor Mugglestone submits a report.  |                    |

Further supporting information will be circulated when available.