



Leicester
City Council

MEETING OF THE CABINET

DATE: MONDAY, 17 SEPTEMBER 2007
TIME: 1.00PM
**PLACE: COUNCIL CHAMBER, TOWN HALL, TOWN HALL
SQUARE, LEICESTER**

Members of the Cabinet

Councillor Willmott (Chair)
Councillor Draycott (Vice-Chair)

Councillors Bhatti, Connelly, Corral, Dempster, Kitterick, Osman, Mrs
Sood and Wann

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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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 MEETING

The minutes of the meeting held on 3 September 2007, have been circulated to Members and the Cabinet is asked to approve them as a correct record.

5. MATTERS REFERRED FROM SCRUTINY COMMITTEES

6. IMPROVING SCHOOLS FOR THE FUTURE - LEICESTER CITY POLICY FOR SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT **Appendix A**

Councillor Dempster submits a report that identifies the ways in which the Local Authority will work in partnership with schools and governing bodies to raise standards and sets out the ways in which it will support, challenge and act to improve schools where this might be necessary. Cabinet is recommended to endorse the Leicester City Policy for School Improvement and request a further report detailing the funding implications.

7. HEALTH INEQUALITIES: SUPPORTING THE LEICESTER CITY ACTION PLAN **Appendix B**

Councillor Mrs Sood submits a report that outlines the key findings of a recent Health Inequalities assessment and notes the actions developed to address these issues, highlighting where Leicester City Council can support the plan. Cabinet is asked to note the report, make any comments and receive progress reports.

8. ON STREET PARKING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE 2007/08 **Appendix C**

Councillor Kitterick submits a report that asks Cabinet to agree proposals for spending the surplus income generated by the on-street parking bays and enforcement in order to improve transport in the City. Cabinet is also asked to reaffirm that it is not currently desirable to provide further off street parking.

9. BRAUNSTONE PARK STREET SPORTS **Appendix D**

Councillor Connelly submits a report that informs Cabinet of the Braunstone Park Street Sports Project and requests approval for a capital sum of £130,000 for the project, from the £150,000 identified in the Council's Capital Programme 2007/08 as Adventure Playground Equipment. Cabinet is recommended to approve Adventure Playground Equipment capital expenditure of £130,000 towards the project.

10. PROCUREMENT OF EXTERNAL CASH COLLECTION FACILITIES Appendix E

Councillor Bhatti submits a report that proposes the Council tender for the procurement of external cash collection facilities to increase the range of opportunities for customers to pay Council Tax, Business Rates and Rent payments to around 400 outlets within Leicester and its immediate vicinity during extended opening hours. Cabinet is recommended to refer the matter to the relevant Task Group.

11. ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS