

# **MEETING OF THE CABINET**

DATE: MONDAY, 3 MARCH 2008 TIME: 1PM PLACE: COUNCIL CHAMBER, TOWN HALL, TOWN HALL SQUARE, LEICESTER

# Members of the Cabinet

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

Councillors Bhatti, Connelly, Corrall, 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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Press Enquiries - please phone the Communications Unit on 252 6081

# PUBLIC SESSION

### <u>AGENDA</u>

#### 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 18 February 2008, have been circulated to Members and the Cabinet is asked to approve them as a correct record.

# 4. MATTERS REFERRED FROM COMMITTEES Appendix A

#### Special Meeting of the Audit Committee – 12 February 2008 Outcomes from Audit Work – Update Report – Second Four Months 2007/8

The following was agreed at the above Committee. The full minute extract is attached at Appendix A1.

#### **RESOLVED**:

That the Cabinet be asked to request the Head of ICT to remove from service all mobile computing devices found to be without encryption software from 31/12/2008.

Councillor Willmott to respond.

#### 5. AREA COMMITTEE EXPENDITURE

#### **Appendix B**

Councillor Draycott submits a report that seeks Cabinet endorsement of spending proposals by the Belgrave, Latimer and Rushey Mead Area Committee. Cabinet is recommended to agree the expenditure proposals in Appendix A.

### 6. NEIGHBOURHOOD MANAGEMENT 2008/09 AND Appendix C FUTURE NEIGHBOURHOOD WORKING

Councillor Draycott submits a report that informs decisions about Neighbourhood Management for 2008-09 in the context of the city's wider strategic direction on neighbourhood working, including the development of Ward Community Meetings. Cabinet is asked to approve a number of recommendations as listed in paragraph 3 of the report.

### 7. LEICESTER CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE'S PARTICIPATION STRATEGY

**Appendix D** 

Appendix E

Councillor Dempster submits a report that asks Cabinet to agree to continue with publication and subsequent launch of the Children and Young People's Strategic Partnership Board Participation Strategy.

#### 8. POLICY FOR TRANSFER OF ASSETS FOR COMMUNITY GOVERNANCE

Councillor Willmott submits a report that proposes an addendum to the existing framework for the Disposal of Property to deal with requests for transfer of assets for community governance. Cabinet is recommended to approve the proposed addition to the Framework for the Disposal of Property of the Policy for Transfer of Assets for Community Governance.

The relevant minute extract from the Overview and Scrutiny Management Board held on 11 December 2007 is attached.

#### 9. 2007/08 CAPITAL PROGRAMME MONITORING - Appendix F PERIOD 9

Councillor Willmott submits a report that updates Members on the progress of the level of capital expenditure on the capital programme for to the end of December (period 9) and the forecast spend of the year. Cabinet is asked to approve a number of recommendations as listed in paragraph 3.1 of the report.

The relevant minute extract from the Performance and Value for Money Select Committee to be held on 21 February 2008 will be circulated to Members as soon as it is available.

### 10. REVENUE BUDGET MONITORING 2007/08 - PERIOD Appendix G 9

Councillor Willmott submit a report that shows a summary position comparing spending with the budget. Cabinet is asked to agree a number of recommendations as set out in paragraph 3.1 of the report.

The relevant minute extract from the Performance and Value for Money Select Committee to be held on 21 February 2008 will be circulated to Members as soon as it is available.

#### 11. THIRD QUARTER PERFORMANCE REPORT 2007/08 Appendix H

Councillor Draycott submits a report that presents the performance of the Council and its partners in delivering services to citizens during the third quarter of 2007/08. Cabinet is asked to review the third quarter performance results and consider the need for any special action on areas of concern, receive the corporate risk register and receive regular reports on actions taken

to mitigate the identified risks as part of the regular performance management process.

The relevant minute extract from the Performance and Value for Money Select Committee to be held on 21 February 2008 will be circulated to Members as soon as it is available.

### 12. FRAMEWORK FOR TREASURY DECISONS Appendix I

Councillor Willmott submits a report that proposes minor changes to the decision making framework for the Council's treasury management activities. Cabinet is recommended to ask Council to approve the revised Treasury Policy Statement and Treasury Management Practises included in the report.

# 13. CONTRACTING VOLUNTARY SECTOR "GRANT AID Appendix J CONTRACTS"

Councillor Willmott submits a report regarding the arrangements for extending the "grant aid contracts" due to expire on 31 March to enable reprovision to take place. Cabinet is asked to approve a number of recommendations as set out in paragraph 2 of the report.

# 14. ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS

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