

### **MEETING OF THE CABINET**

DATE: MONDAY, 12 MAY 2008

TIME: 1PM

PLACE: TEA ROOM, 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

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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 21 April 2008 have been circulated to Members and the Cabinet is asked to approve them as a correct record.

#### 5. MATTERS REFERRED FROM COMMITTEES

# 6. REPORT OF THE CHILDREN, SCHOOLS AND YOUNG Appendix A PEOPLE SCRUTINY TASK GROUP, "A SNAPSHOT OF SERVICE PROVISION BY THE YOUTH SERVICE"

Councillor Dempster submits a report from the Children, Schools and Young People Scrutiny Task Group and the Children and Young People's Department that sets out the findings, conclusions and recommendations of the Task Group concerning a review of service provision by the Youth Service. Cabinet is asked to approve the recommendations as set out in Paragraph 2.1 of the report.

### 7. LIBRARIES STRATEGY 2008-2013

### Appendix B

Councillor Connelly submits a report that presents the Draft Libraries Strategy 2008-2013 and a report of the Culture and Leisure Scrutiny Task Group that sets out its findings, conclusions and recommendations following its investigation of the strategic review. Cabinet is recommended to approve the Libraries Strategy for the next five years as set out in the officers' report, and to give consideration to the recommendations as set out in Paragraph 2.1 of the Task Group report.

A copy of the strategy document is attached for Members of the Cabinet only. Copies can be viewed at the Customer Service Centre, B Block, New Walk Centre or by viewing the following link:

http://www.cabinet.leicester.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.asp?Cld=78&Mld=2202&Ver=4

A minute extract from the Overview and Scrutiny Management Board held on 8 May 2008 will be circulated before the meeting.

# 8. LEICESTERSHIRE AND LEICESTER WASTE DEVELOPMENT FRAMEWORK CORE STRATEGY

### **Appendix C**

Councillor Wann submits a report that seeks approval to submit the documents to the Secretary of State for the Department of Communities and Local Government in relation to the Leicestershire and Leicester Joint Waste Development Framework Core Strategy and Development Control Policies Development Plan Document. Cabinet is recommended to note the report.

A minute extract from the Planning and Development Control Committee meeting held on 15 April 2008 is attached.

The relevant minute extract from the Overview and Scrutiny Management Board held on 8 May 2008 will be circulated as soon as it is available.

# 9. ILLEGAL MONEY LENDING AND DELEGATION OF Appendix D POWERS TO NOTTINGHAM CITY COUNCIL

Councillor Wann submits a report concerning the delegation of enforcement and prosecution powers to Nottingham City Council to enable the East Midlands Public Protection Project Team to undertake investigations into illegal money lending in the Leicester City area and take appropriate enforcement actions. Cabinet is asked to approve the recommendations as set out in Paragraph 2 of the report.

# 10. EXTENSIONS TO BOUNDARIES OF MARKET PLACE Appendix E AND AYLESTONE VILLAGE CONSERVATION AREAS

Councillor Wann submits a report concerning the boundary extensions to the Aylestone Village and Market Place Conservation Areas. Cabinet is recommended to approve the extension to the boundaries.

# 11. SPINNEY HILL HERITAGE LOTTERY FUND GRANT Appendix F APPLICATION

Councillor Connelly submits a report that provides an update on the application to the Heritage Lottery Fund (HLF) for a grant to help restore Spinney Hill Park. Cabinet is recommended to approve work on the development of and submission to the HLF of the second stage application and that the identified match funding remain committed to support the project.

### 12. 10,000 TREES - PROJECT OUTLINE Appendix G

Councillor Wann submits a report that provides Members with details of the project to plant 10,000 trees across Leicester. Cabinet is recommended to approve the project management and delivery arrangements.

### 13. UPDATING OF PARKS BYELAWS Appendix H

Councillor Connelly submits a report that provides an update on the process of

updating the existing Parks Byelaws and to seek approval for the new proposed Parks Byelaws, and their subsequent sealing and final public consultation process. Cabinet is recommended to formally approve the final draft and that they the be sealed by the Council, and that the byelaws are advertised by public notice in a newspaper and held in deposit for one month for public comment.

# 14. TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT ACT 2004 - ADJUDICATION Appendix I JOINT COMMITTEE

Councillor Kitterick submits a report that informs Members of the need to join a new Adjudication Joint Committee Agreement for the civil enforcement of Parking and Traffic Regulations Outside London, which is to shortly replace the current Agreement. Cabinet is recommended to authorise the Service Director (Legal Services) to make the necessary arrangements for the City Council to enter into a new Adjudication Joint Committee Agreement and appoint a Cabinet Member representative and a substitute Cabinet Member to serve on the Joint Committee.

# 15. A 'ONE LEICESTER' SIGN UP TO THE NATIONAL Appendix J SKILLS PLEDGE

Councillor Osman submits a report that seeks the Council's commitment to the National Skills Pledge, as a major employer in the city. Cabinet is asked to approve the recommendations as set out in Paragraph 3 of the report.

### 16. CAPITAL RESOURCES FOR INTERMEDIATE CARE Appendix K

Councillor Corrall submits a report that highlights the need to seek an early decision on the bid submitted for capital resources for the Intermediate Care element of the Butterwick scheme. Cabinet is recommended to note the requirement for an early decision, agree the allocation of the capital to progress the scheme and confirm the receipt from the land to be earmarked as the Council's contribution to the Extra Care element of the scheme.

# 17. HEALTH INEQUALITIES: POSITION REPORT APRIL Appendix L 2008

Councillor Manjula Sood submits a report that provides a summary of the follow-up meeting held with the National Support Team for Health Inequalities on 26 February 2008. The Cabinet is recommended to note the progress made in developing a framework to tackle health inequalities, endorse the key areas for action by the Council and Primary Care Trust and promote the health agenda via ward community meetings, making use of ward level health data to inform local priorities for health improvement work.

### 18. TRADING ORGANISATIONS - 2008/2009 BUDGETS Appendix M

Councillor Willmott submits a report that details all the council's trading organisations and their 2008/09 budgets in accordance with Finance Procedure

Rules. Cabinet is recommended to approve the 2008/09 budgets for the Council's trading organisations, note the proposed policies in respect of the sue of retained surpluses for each department and amend the determinations to Finance Procedure Rules allowing the Resources and Regeneration and Culture departments to retain budgeted surpluses for each departments.

# 19. THE COUNCIL'S CUSTOMER ACCESS STRATEGY - Appendix N A ONE COUNCIL APPROACH TO CUSTOMER SERVICE

Councillor Draycott submits a report that reviews the achievements and disappointments of the Customer Access Strategy since 2005 and sets an ambitious programme of activities to achieve a *One Council, One Contact* experience of customer access. The Cabinet is asked to agree a number of recommendations as set out in Paragraph 2 of the report.

# 20. SIGN-OFF ARRANGEMENTS FOR LEICESTER'S Appendix O LOCAL AREA AGREEMENT (2008/11)

Councillor Osman submits a report that recommends arrangements for the formal sign-off of Leicester's new Local Area Agreement (LAA) prior to submission to Communities and Local Government for Ministerial sign-off. Subject to any further direction from government, the Cabinet is asked to recommend to Council that the constitution be amended to add formal sign-off of Leicester's Local Area Agreement and other LAA functions (e.g. modification at 'annual refresh') to the list of local choice matters which are to be Cabinet business.

### 21. ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS