



Leicester
City Council

MEETING OF THE CABINET

DATE: MONDAY, 14 JULY 2008
TIME: 1PM
**PLACE: TEA ROOM, TOWN HALL, TOWN HALL SQUARE,
LEICESTER**

Members of the Cabinet

Councillor Willmott (Chair)
Councillor Osman (Vice-Chair)

Councillors Aqbany, Bhatti, Connelly, Cooke, Dempster, Draycott,
Kitterick, 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

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

5. MATTERS REFERRED FROM COMMITTEES

6. CODE OF CONDUCT FOR ELECTED MEMBERS

Sheila Brucciani, Independent Chair of the Leicester City Council Standards Committee will give a verbal presentation on the Code of Conduct for Elected Members. Cabinet is recommended to note the contents of the presentation.

7. INSPECTION BY OFSTED OF LEICESTER CITY COUNCIL FOSTERING SERVICE 2008 [Appendix A](#)

Councillor Dempster submits a report that advises on the outcome of the Ofsted inspection of the Leicester City Council Fostering Service during the week beginning 25 February 2008. Cabinet is recommended to note the report.

The relevant minute extract of the Overview and Scrutiny Management Board held on 18 June 2008 will be circulated as soon as it is available.

8. REVIEW OF THE MANAGEMENT OF CHILDREN'S CENTRES [Appendix B](#)

Councillor Dempster submits a report that informs Cabinet of progress in developing Children's Centres, the approach adopted for the management of the centres and the procurement process to secure the external management of nine of the centres. Cabinet is recommended to note the progress made, the approach taken for the management of the centres and the procurement process for the external management of nine of the centres.

The relevant minute extract of the Overview and Scrutiny Management Board held on 18 June 2008 will be circulated as soon as it is available.

9. SECONDARY BEHAVIOUR SUPPORT SERVICE [Appendix C](#)

Councillor Dempster submits a report that informs Cabinet of the planned remodelling of the Secondary Behaviour Support Service. Cabinet is asked to approve the recommendations as set out in Paragraph 3.1 of the report.

10. TRANSFORMING LEICESTER'S LEARNING PLAN [Appendix D](#)

Councillor Dempster submits a report that seeks Cabinet's approval of the current forecast additional costs of the Transforming Leicester's Learning Plan and the proposed sources of funding for the period Autumn 2007 to July/August 2009. Cabinet is recommended to consider and approve the identified costs and the proposed funding package, and to note that the spending and funding will be closely monitored and assessments made regarding the impact on school improvement.

The relevant minute extract of the Overview and Scrutiny Management Board held on 18 June 2008 will be circulated as soon as it is available.

11. DEMOLITION OF FORMER MUNDELLA COMMUNITY COLLEGE, WYCOMBE ROAD, LEICESTER [Appendix E](#)

Councillor Kitterick submits a report that informs Cabinet of urgent action taken by the Corporate Director of Resources in consultation with the Leader, Portfolio Cabinet Member and Chair and Vice-Chair of the Overview and Scrutiny Management Board. Cabinet is recommended to note the urgent action taken to authorise the expenditure of £510,000 for the demolition of the former Mundella Community College buildings using Prudential Borrowing Spend to Save monies.

12. FEASIBILITY STUDY - GRANBY STREET SUBWAY GATEWAY [Appendix F](#)

Councillor Kitterick submits a report that outlines the options for improving the link between the station, city centre and business quarter that have been appraised. Cabinet is recommended to consider the strengths and weaknesses of the preferred options and decide which option they prefer.

13. ESTABLISHING A NEW ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMPANY FOR LEICESTER AND LEICESTERSHIRE [Appendix G](#)

Councillor Kitterick submits a report that seeks Cabinet approval of the principle of establishing a City Development Company across Leicester and Leicestershire, as called for in the One Leicester Sustainable Community Strategy. Cabinet is asked to approve the recommendations as set out in Paragraph 3 of the report.

14. DOG CONTROL ORDERS [Appendix H](#)

Councillor Wann submits a report that advises Members of the recommendations made during public consultation on the proposed dog control orders and that seeks approval to commence the legal process to introduce

them in the city. Cabinet is asked to approve the recommendations as set out in Paragraph 3 of the report.

15. EXTENDING DISTRICT HEATING AND CHP IN CENTRAL LEICESTER [Appendix I](#)

Councillor Wann submits a report that describes how extending the network of the district heating schemes will achieve transformation of Leicester into Britain's Sustainability City. Cabinet is asked to approve the recommendations as set out in Paragraph 3 of the report.

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

16. CREATION OF THE 2008-09 PROCUREMENT PLAN [Appendix J](#)

Councillor Willmott submits a report that seeks Cabinet's approval of the procurement plan for 2008/09. Cabinet is asked to approve the recommendations as set out in Paragraph 3 of the report.

17. THE COUNCIL'S INFORMATION MANAGEMENT STRATEGY - 'MAKING INFORMATION WORK' [Appendix K](#)

Councillor Willmott submits a report that outlines the Council's first Information Management Strategy. Cabinet is recommended to agree the aims and objectives of the first Information Management Strategy 2008-2011 and agree the priorities and outcomes as set out in Appendix A of the report.

The relevant minute extract of the Performance and Value for Money Scrutiny Committee held on 3 July 2008 will be circulated as soon as it is available.

18. CORPORATE GOVERNANCE: ANNUAL REPORT FOR 2007/08 [Appendix L](#)

Councillor Willmott submits a report that enables compliance with the requirements of the Council's Corporate Governance Code and reports the position regarding Local Ombudsman complaints. Cabinet is recommended to review the position as summarised in the report, together with comments from the Audit and Standards Committees, and to authorise the Service Director, Legal Services, to produce a final form of Corporate Assurance Statement in consultation with the Council's Leader and Chief Executive.

The relevant minute extracts of the Audit Committee held on 25 June 2008 and the Standards Committee held on 9 July 2008 will be circulated as soon as they are available.

19. ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS [Appendix AOUB](#)

Service Director Posts

Councillor Willmott submits a report that proposes a way forward for the recruitment to the vacant post of Service Director (Business Improvement) and seeks approval for the establishment of the post of Head of Programme and Change Management and agree a way forward for its recruitment, Cabinet is asked to approve the recommendations as set out in paragraph 5.2 of the report.

The report is considered urgent due to the need to expedite the appointment of the post in order to prepare the organisation for the strategic programmes and projects necessary to support the One Leicester Vision. The post needs to align such programmes with the budget process and service planning processes which start imminently.

20. 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).

21. ENDERBY AND BIRSTALL PARK AND RIDE INCLUDING ST NICHOLAS PLACE BUS STOPS

Appendix B1

Councillor Kitterick submits a report.

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

**22. SOUTHFIELDS JOINT SERVICE CENTRE OUTLINE [Appendix B2](#)
BUSINESS CASE**

Councillor Draycott submits a report.

**23. CONTRACTING WITH THE VOLUNTARY SECTOR [Appendix B3](#)
'GRANT AID CONTRACTS'**

Councillor Willmott submits a report.