

MEETING OF THE CABINET

DATE: MONDAY, 5 JANUARY 2009

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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If there are any particular reports that you would like translating or providing on audio tape, the Committee Administrator can organise this for you (production times will depend upon equipment/facility availability).

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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 8 December 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 REGENERATION AND TRANSPORT Appendix A SCRUTINY TASK GROUP - REVIEW OF THE EFFECTIVENESS AND OPERATION OF THE STAR TRAK REAL TIME BUS INFORMATION SYSTEM

Councillor Russell, Regeneration and Transport Task Group Leader, submits a report that presents the findings of the Task Group review of the operational effectiveness of the star trak real time bus timetable information system in Leicester. Cabinet is asked to approve the recommendations in the report and to make any further comments as they see fit.

7. HUMBERSTONE INFANT AND JUNIOR SCHOOL Appendix B BUILDING WORK

Councillor Dempster submits a report that provides an update on the consultation with Humberstone Infant and Junior School, and requests approval for the building project to commence. Cabinet is recommended to agree the decision to proceed and approve that the project is added to the capital programme.

8. PROPOSAL TO ESTABLISH PERMANENT DAY Appendix C PROVISION FOR THE CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL SCHOOL

Councillor Dempster submits a report that seeks approval for the establishment of a permanent day facility for the Children's Hospital School on the campus of Eyres Monsell Primary School and to seek approval for the school organisation changes and capital works required to implement the proposal. Cabinet is

asked to approve the recommendations as set out in Paragraph 3 of the report.

9. BUILDING SCHOOLS FOR THE FUTURE - PHASE 2 Appendix D

Councillor Dempster submits a report that advises Members of the current status of the BSF Project, outlines the further work required to progress the project, recommends the schools to be included in the next phase of BSF, and seeks authorisation to commence Phase 2. Cabinet is asked to approve the recommendations as set out in Paragraph 2.1 of the report.

10. CENTRAL LEICESTERSHIRE LOCAL TRANSPORT Appendix E PLAN 2006 TO 2011 CAPITAL PROGRAMMES 2008 TO 2011

Councillor Kitterick submits a report that seeks approval to the proposed Local Transport Plan Capital Programmes. Cabinet is asked to recommend to Council the programme of works as set out in appendices to the report.

A minute extract from the Overview and Scrutiny Management Board meeting on 4 December 2008 is attached, and a minute extract from the Regeneration and Transport Task Group meeting on 18 December 2008 will be circulated as soon as it is available.

11. CORPORATE RISK REGISTER

Appendix F

Councillor Willmott submits a report that presents a Corporate Risk Register for Cabinet's approval and to obtain agreement for a process for monitoring the risks and associated agreed actions contained therein. Cabinet is recommended to adopt the attached Appendix 1 of the report as its Corporate Risk Register, adopt the outline process as set out in the report, and request the Corporate Directors' Board to monitor and report back on progress made in implementing risk mitigation measures.

12. CORPORATE CONTRACT MANAGEMENT AND PROCUREMENT IMPROVEMENT PLAN

Appendix G

Councillor Willmott submits a report that enables Cabinet to monitor implementation of the Improvement Plan shown in the report. Cabinet is recommended to review implementation of the Improvement Plan.

A minute extract from the meeting of the Audit Committee, held on 18 December 2008, will be circulated as soon as it is available.

13. COUNCIL TAX - TAXBASE

Appendix H

Councillor Willmott submits a report that details the recommended taxbase for the financial year 2009/10. Cabinet is recommended to endorse a taxbase for 2009/10 of 78,299 properties expressed as the equivalent number of "Band D" properties, prior to its consideration by Council.

14. 2008/09 CAPITAL PROGRAMME MONITORING – Appendix I PERIOD 7

Councillor Willmott submits a report that updates Members on the progress of spending on the capital programme for 2008/09 up to the end of October, and the forecast spend to the end of the year. Cabinet is asked to approve the recommendations in Paragraph 3.1 of the report.

15. REVENUE BUDGET MONITORING 2008/09 – PERIOD Appendix J 7

Councillor Willmott submits a report that shows a summary position of spending with the budget. Cabinet is asked to approve the recommendations as set out in Paragraph 3 of the report.

16. COLLECTION FUND SURPLUSES

Appendix K

Councillor Willmott submits a report that identifies the estimated financial position of the Collection Fund Account as at 31 March 2009. Cabinet is asked to approve the recommendations as set out in Paragraph 3.1 of the report.

17. ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS

18. 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).

HOUSING FOR PEOPLE WITH LEARNING DISABILITIES (LAND DISPOSAL)

ASHTON GREEN

VOLUNTARY AND COMMUNITY SECTOR INFRASTRUCTURE RECOMMISSIONING

19. HOUSING FOR PEOPLE WITH LEARNING DISABILITIES (LAND DISPOSAL)

Appendix B1

Councillor Aqbany submits a report.

20. ASHTON GREEN

Appendix B2

Councillor Kitterick submits a report.

21. VOLUNTARY AND COMMUNITY SECTOR INFRASTRUCTURE RECOMMISSIONING

Appendix B3

Councillor Willmott submits a report.