

## **MEETING OF THE CABINET**

DATE: MONDAY, 16 FEBRUARY 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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### INFORMATION FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

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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 26 January 2009, have been circulated to Members and the Cabinet is asked to approve them as a correct record.

### 5. MATTERS REFERRED FROM COMMITTEES

# 6. SUSTAINABILITY WITHIN THE BUILDING SCHOOLS Appendix A FOR THE FUTURE PROGRAMME A REVIEW OF THE CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE AND ENVIRONMENT AND SUSTAINABILITY JOINT TASK GROUP

Councillor Hunt, Environment and Sustainability Task Group Deputy Leader, submits a report that presents the findings of the Task Group inquiry into the sustainability within the BSF programme. Cabinet is asked to note the recommendations set out in Section 2 of the report.

A copy of the department response and minute extract from the meeting of the Overview and Scrutiny Management Board, held on 22 January 2009 is attached at Appendix A.

## 7. REGENERATION AND TRANSPORT SCRUTINY TASK Appendix B GROUP REVIEW OF ACCESS TO CYCLING IN THE CITY OF LEICESTER

Councillor Russell, Regeneration and Transport Task Group Leader, submits a report that presents the findings of the Task Group inquiry into access to cycling in Leicester. Cabinet is asked to note the recommendations set out in Section 2 of the report.

8. REGENERATION AND TRANSPORT SCRUTINY TASK Appendix C GROUP REVIEW OF THE INTRODUCTION AND OPERATION OF CIVIL ENFORCEMENT OF PARKING REGULATIONS IN LEICESTER

Councillor Russell, Regeneration and Transport Task Group Leader, submits a report that presents the findings of the Task Group inquiry into the introduction of civil enforcement of parking regulations in Leicester. Cabinet is asked to agree the recommendations set out in section 2 of the report.

## 9. LOCAL SCHOOLS FUNDING FORMULA: PROPOSALS FOR CHANGE IN 2009-10

**Appendix D** 

Councillor Dempster submits a report that seeks approval to make changes to the current schools funding formula in 2009-10 to target deprivation funding allocations within the Dedicated Schools Grant (DSG) more effectively. Cabinet is recommended to approve the recommendations as set out in Paragraph 3.2 of the report.

A minute extract from the meeting of the Overview and Scrutiny Management Board, held on 12 February 2009, will be circulated as soon as it is available.

## 10. OFSTED ANNUAL PERFORMANCE ASSESSMENT Appendix E (APA) FINDINGS: 2008

Councillor Dempster submits a report that informs of OfSTED's most recent judgements on the Council's services for children and young people. Cabinet is asked to agree and note the recommendations set out in section 3.2 of the report.

A minute extract from the meeting of the Overview and Scrutiny Management Board, held on 12 February 2009, will be circulated as soon as it is available.

## 11. MACHINERY OF GOVERNMENT CHANGES (MOG) 14 Appendix F - 19: TRANSITION FROM LEARNING & SKILLS COUNCIL TO LOCAL AUTHORITY PROVISION

Councillor Dempster submits a report to advise Cabinet of developments in respect of Machinery of Government (MOG) changes in Leicester and to recommend a course of action and structure to ensure a smooth, efficient and effective transition of responsibility for 14-19 learning and skills development from the Learning and Skills Council to the Local Authority. Cabinet is recommended to approve the recommendations as set out in Paragraph 3 of the report.

A minute extract from the meeting of the Overview and Scrutiny Management Board, held on 12 February 2009, will be circulated as soon as it is available.

## 12. AGREED SYLLABUS FOR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION Appendix G ONE LEICESTER: HARMONY AND DIVERSITY

Councillor Dempster submits a report for Cabinet to consider and adopt an

Agreed Syllabus for RE for Leicester City. Cabinet is asked to agree the recommendations set out in section 3 of the report.

A copy of the appendices is attached at appendix G for Members only. Copies can be viewed at <a href="https://www.cabinet.leicester.gov.uk">www.cabinet.leicester.gov.uk</a> or from the Customer Service Centre, King Street.

## 13. DELIVERING EFFECTIVE CITY CENTRE MANAGEMENT

**Appendix H** 

Councillor Kitterick submits a report that recommends a framework model for delivering an effective City Centre Management. Cabinet is recommended to approve the recommendations as set out in Paragraph 3.2 of the report.

A minute extract from the meeting of the Overview and Scrutiny Management Board, held on 12 February 2009, will be circulated as soon as it is available.

## 14. ST NICHOLAS PLACE NORTH AND ST NICHOLAS Appendix I PLACE BUS STOPS

Councillor Kitterick submits a report that follows an earlier report on Park and Ride which went to Cabinet on 14<sup>th</sup> July 2008. It provides an update on the design and cost implications of the scheme at St Nicholas Place following the recent consultation exercise. Cabinet is recommended to approve the recommendations as set out in Paragraph 3.2 of the report.

A minute extract from the meeting of the Overview and Scrutiny Management Board, held on 12 February 2009, will be circulated as soon as it is available.

## 15. CONSULTATION ON DRAFT PLANNING POLICY Appendix J STATEMENT ON ECO-TOWNS

Councillor Kitterick submits a report that considers the Council's response to the Draft National Planning Policy Statement (PPS) on Eco-towns which was published for consultation in November 2008. Cabinet is requested to note this report and endorse the proposed response on the Draft PPS on Eco-towns.

A minute extract from the meeting of the Overview and Scrutiny Management Board, held on 12 February 2009, will be circulated as soon as it is available.

## 16. SUSTAINABLE PROCUREMENT POLICY

Appendix K

Councillor Willmott submits a report that outlines the Sustainable Procurement Policy. Cabinet are asked to approve the new Sustainable Procurement Policy, to approve the risk-based approach to implementation and agree to monitor the policy through the proposed gateways and annual reports to Cabinet of "high risk" procurement activities.

A minute extract from the meeting of the Overview and Scrutiny Management Board, held on 12 February 2009, will be circulated as soon as it is available.

## 17. GENERAL FUND REVENUE BUDGET STRATEGY Appendix L 2009/10 TO 2011/12

Councillor Willmott submits a report that outlines a 3 year corporate budget strategy, 3 year departmental revenue strategies for each department, and a general fund budget for 2009/10. Cabinet is asked to consider the recommendations set out in paragraph 3.1 of the report.

A copy of the appendices and Departmental Revenue Strategies are attached at appendix L for Members only. Copies can be viewed at <a href="https://www.cabinet.leicester.gov.uk">www.cabinet.leicester.gov.uk</a> or from the Customer Service Centre, King Street.

A minute extract from the meeting of the Overview and Scrutiny Management Board, held on 4 February 2009, will be circulated as soon as it is available.

#### 18. ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS

### 19. 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 report in private on the grounds that it contains '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 report in accordance with the provisions of Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, as amended, because it involves 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).

SALE OF WESTERN PARK SPECIAL SCHOOL

## 20. SALE OF WESTERN PARK SPECIAL SCHOOL Appendix B1

Councillor Willmott submits a report.