



Leicester
City Council

MEETING OF THE CABINET

DATE: MONDAY, 06 NOVEMBER 2000
TIME: 5:00 PM
**PLACE: COMMITTEE ROOM 3, 'B' BLOCK, NEW WALK CENTRE,
KING STREET, LEICESTER**

Members of the Cabinet

Councillor Willmott (Chair)
Councillor Patel (Vice-Chair)

Councillors Draycott, Getliffe, Holden, Osman, Roberts and Subedar

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. 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 REPORT

3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING - 18 SEPTEMBER 2000

The Minutes of the meeting of the Cabinet held on 18 September 2000 have been circulated and the Cabinet is asked to approve them as a correct record.

4. SERVICE PROFILE - TRANSPORTATION

A presentation from Councillor Osman

5. THE CITY COUNCIL AND HEALTH

Appendix A

Councillor Getliffe

The report advises the Cabinet of the latest radical changes being introduced by the Government aimed at improving the health of the nation. It is recommended that an officer be identified as the corporate lead on Health issues and that this be the Director of Social Services. The Cabinet is also asked to confirm proposals for representation from the City Council on the Health Partnerships Policy Board.

6. "20-20" VISION FOR LEICESTER -THE LEICESTER PLEDGE **Appendix B**

Councillor Subedar

The report details the proposals contained in the "Leicester Pledge" aimed at raising educational standards and seeks views on options for increasing resources to schools to meet the pledge. The Cabinet is asked to support the Leicester Pledge; approve changes to the Budget Strategy, subject to the Council's endorsement and that the Education and Lifelong Learning Scrutiny Committee and the Finance, Resources and Equal Opportunities Committee be requested to consider the proposals, make observations and endorse the action proposed.

7. DEVELOPING SPECIAL EDUCATION NEEDS PROVISION IN LEICESTER [Appendix C](#)

Councillor Subedar

The report sets out the strategic issues arising from the adoption of the Authority's Special Educational Needs (SEN) policy and seeks agreement to a strategy for developing the City's SEN provision.

8. LAW CENTRE/ CAB REVIEW [Appendix D](#)

Councillor Roberts

The report details the outcome of the review of services provided by the Leicester Law Centre and the Citizens Advice Bureau. It identifies the process taken to date, responds to comments made by the Strategic Planning and Regeneration Scrutiny Panel and provides a number of options to consider in order to progress the matter.

9. REVIEW OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S OFFICE [Appendix E](#)

Councillor Patel

The report informs the Cabinet of the progress of the above review and urgent action taken by the Chief Executive. The Cabinet is asked to note the action of the Chief Executive and make a decision on the location of the European and Regional function and the Racial Harassment Project.

10. REFURBISHMENT OF KICK ABOUT AREAS - CAPITAL EXPENDITURE [Appendix F](#)

Councillor Holden

The report seeks approval to the allocation of £50,000 included in current year's capital programme for the refurbishment of kick about areas.

11. TENANT PARTICIPATION IN COUNCIL HOUSING [Appendix G](#)

Councillor Draycott

The report seeks approval to a proposed new structure for tenants and the Council to engage in meaningful discussion about landlord issues.

12. SHELTERED HOUSING OFFICERS RESIDENCY REQUIREMENT [Appendix H](#)

Councillor Draycott

The report looks at options for removing the requirement for future sheltered housing officers to 'live in' and recommends that the present policy with the residential requirement continues unless the vacancy cannot be filled, in which

case the post be advertised without the residential requirement.

13. FUTURE OF 107 FLATS WITHIN BEAUMONT LEYS SINGLE REGENERATION BUDGET (SRB) AREA [Appendix I](#)

Councillor Draycott

The report seeks approval to consult the residents of the flats on Strasbourg Drive and the Beaumont Leys Partnership on the possibility of demolition, with the future use of the site being deferred until the overall SRB improvements to Beaumont Leys have taken effect and that in the event of demolition being agreed, the Allocations Policy for the residents is amended.

14. DUNS LANE SITE DEVELOPMENT GUIDANCE [Appendix J](#)

Councillor Roberts

The report sets out the planning and urban design requirements for the Duns Lane site. The Cabinet is asked to approve the Site Development Guidance as Supplementary Planning Guidance, subject to the inclusion of the additional text set out in the supporting information.

15. MARCONI, BLACKBIRD ROAD SITE DEVELOPMENT GUIDANCE [Appendix K](#)

Councillor Roberts

The report sets out proposed planning and urban design requirements for the above site. The Cabinet is asked to adopt the Marconi's Site Development Guidance as Supplementary Planning Guidance.

16. DISPOSAL OF 6 BEEBY ROAD AND 70 BERNERS STREET BY AUCTION [Appendix L](#)

Councillor Patel

Cabinet approval is sought to the disposal of the above properties by auction.

17. CLOSING SECONDARY SCHOOLS AND PLAYING FIELDS [Appendix M](#)

Councillor Patel

The report updates Members on the issues leading up to the disposal of Wycliffe, Mundella and John Ellis Community Colleges and the Mary Linwood School and seeks approval to actions to progress this.

18. CONTINUED FUNDING TO AFRICAN CARIBBEAN CITIZENS FORUM [Appendix N](#)

Councillor Patel

The report seeks approval to continue financial support to the African Caribbean Citizens Forum.

19. ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS

20. EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

PRIVATE SESSION
AGENDA

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO NOTE

Under the law, the Sub-Committee 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 Sub-Committee 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, and consequently that the Sub-Committee 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.”

Paragraph 7

Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (other than the authority).

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| 21. NATIONAL SPACE SCIENCE CENTRE
LEGAL AND FINANCIAL ISSUES
Councillor Roberts | APPENDIX B1 |
| 22. GRANT OF A 12 YEAR LEASE FOR 6
MUSSON ROAD, NEW PARKS
Councillor Patel | APPENDIX B2 |
| 23. GRANT OF A 15 YEAR LEASE FOR
97 AND 99 WALNUT STREET
Councillor Patel | APPENDIX B3 |

Paragraph 9

Any terms proposed or to be proposed by or to the Authority in the course of negotiations for a contract for the acquisition or disposal of property or the supply of goods or services.

- 24. FREEHOLD SALE OF FORMER INFANT SCHOOL, THE WAYNE WAY** **APPENDIXB4**
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