

Minutes of the Meeting of the CABINET

Held: MONDAY, 04 DECEMBER 2000 at 5.00pm

# <u>PRESENT:</u>

Councillor Willmott - Chair Councillor Patel - Vice-Chair

Councillor Draycott Councillor Getliffe Councillor Holden Councillor Osman Councillor Roberts Councillor Subedar

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# 74. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members were requested to declare any interests they may have in the business to be discussed and / or to indicate whether Section 106 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992 applied to them.

No declarations were made.

#### 75. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING - 20 NOVEMBER 2000

RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the meeting of the Cabinet held on 20 November 2000, as entered in the Minute Book on pages 25 to 33 inclusive, having been circulated to Members, be taken as read and signed by the Chair as a correct record.

#### 76. LEADER'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Leader had no announcements to make.

#### 77. PRESENTATION - LEADER'S REVIEW

The Leader gave a presentation on the Cabinet's priorities and achievements of the Council over the past year.

**RESOLVED**:

That the presentation be noted.

# 78. THE HEALTH ACT 1999 AND THE NHS PLAN:PROPOSALS FOR THE INTEGRATION OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE IN LEICESTER

Councillor Getliffe, Cabinet member for Social Services and Personal Health, submitted a report of the Director of Social Services seeking approval for a framework for implementing the Health Act 1999 and key aspects of the NHS Plan in the Leicestershire Health Community, specifically in Leicester City.

RESOLVED:

- (1) That the principles and outline proposals set out in the report be endorsed;
- (2) That the Health Partnership Executive should oversee the development of these ideas, with regular reports from the Cabinet lead member to Cabinet;
- (3) That reports be received on specific proposals as they are developed where agreement is necessary.

# 79. PROPOSED CHANGES TO LEICESTER PARTNERSHIP AGAINST CRIME AND DISORDER

Councillor Roberts, Cabinet member for Strategic Planning and Regeneration, submitted a report of the Director of Environment and Development seeking endorsement of the proposed changes to the role and structure of Leicester Partnership against Crime and Disorder and seeking an appointment from the City Council for the new executive type partnership group.

Councillor Roberts nominated Councillor Draycott, Cabinet member for Housing and Neighbourhood Renewal, as the Council's representative on the new executive type partnership group.

RESOLVED:

- (1) That the provisional agreement to the new role and structure of the Leicester Partnership Against Crime and Disorder, be endorsed;
- (2) That Councillor Draycott be the City Council's representative on the new executive partnership group.

#### 80. ENFORCEMENT OF NATIONAL MINIMUM WAGE

Councillor Roberts, Cabinet member for Strategic Planning and Regeneration, submitted a report of the Director of Environment and Development seeking the Cabinet's support to urge the Inland Revenue to run a high profile, pro-active campaign to enforce the National Minimum Wage in Leicester.

Members supported the proposed campaign to petition the Inland Revenue as the agency with responsibility for enforcing the minimum wage.

# RESOLVED:

- (1) that the launch of a high-profile petition campaign, urging the Inland Revenue to run a pro-active campaign to enforce the minimum wage, including conducting a number of spot check visit to employers, targeted at areas in Leicester, be supported;
- (2) that all members be urged to give their individual and public support to this campaign;
- (3) that the Authority's effectiveness in referring suspected cases of non compliance with the minimum wage be increased, by supporting an awareness raising exercise targeted to appropriate personnel across the Authority, so that, where appropriate, enforcement of the minimum wage can be linked with other enforcement and other actions undertaken by the Authority.

#### 81. ENVIRONMENT ACT 1995: REVIEW AND ASSESSMENT OF AIR QUALITY

Councillor Holden, Cabinet member for Arts, Leisure and the Environment, submitted a report of the Director of Environment and Development advising Cabinet of the outcome of the Statutory Review and Assessment of Air Quality and feedback from the consultation exercise on this. The report sought approval to the designation of proposed Air Quality Management Areas and approval to Supplementary Credit Approval funded capital expenditure associated with this.

Members noted that Leicester would be the first major city to declare Air Quality Management Areas in line with the City's commitment to environmental issues.

#### RESOLVED:

- that the findings of the Air Quality Review and Assessment and the proposed Air Quality Management Area detailed in "Leicester Air Quality Review and Assessment 2000, Final Report", as amended following the consultation process, be noted;
- (2) that the consultation feedback summarised in appendix 4 of the report to Cabinet be noted;
- that the declaration of the Air Quality Management Area, as defined in "Leicester Air Quality Review and Assessment 2000, final report" be approved;
- (4) that capital expenditure of £ 51,000 be approved in relation to the statutory review and assessment of air quality to be funded

by Supplementary Credit Approval as detailed in appendix 6 of the report to Cabinet.

As there was a further matter on the agenda to be considered in private session, the Chair began to move the resolution to exclude the press and public. However, as there was also a further item of urgent business to be considered on the open agenda, the Chair did not conclude the exclusion resolution. He indicated to members present in the room and members of the public who were in the process of vacating the room, that the item of urgent business would be considered in public, before considering the exempt report in private.

#### 82. ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS

Cabinet Meeting Dates

The Chair suggested that, in order to accommodate the scheduling of business and the Christmas break, the meeting scheduled for 2 January 2001 be cancelled.

#### **RESOLVED**:

That the Cabinet meeting scheduled for 2 January 2001 be cancelled.

#### 83. PRIVATE SESSION

RESOLVED:

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 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 and services.

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Paragraph 7

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

SALE OF LAND - CORNER OF PASTURE LANE / SANVEY GATE LEICESTER.

#### 84. PRIVATE SECTION OF THE MINUTES OF THE CABINET - 20 NOVEMBER 2000

RESOLVED:

That the private section of the Minutes of the Cabinet meeting held on 20 November 2000, as contained in the minute book on page 34, having been circulated, be taken as read be signed by the Chair as a correct record.

#### 85. SALE OF LAND CORNER OF PASTURE LANE/SANVEY GATE

The Director of Environment submitted a report seeking authority to complete the sale of land at Pasture Lane to Cherry Fashions Ltd.

**RESOLVED**:

That the contract for the land be completed with Cherry Fashions in the terms set out in the report.

#### 86. CLOSE OF MEETING

The meeting closed at 5.40 p.m.