



Leicester
City Council

MEETING OF THE CABINET

DATE: MONDAY, 6 SEPTEMBER 2010
TIME: 1PM
**PLACE: TEA ROOM, TOWN HALL, TOWN HALL SQUARE,
LEICESTER**

Members of the Cabinet

Councillor Patel (Chair)
Councillor Dempster (Vice-Chair)

Councillors Bhatti, Dawood, Naylor, Osman, Palmer, Russell, Wann and Westley

Members of the Cabinet are invited to attend the above meeting to consider the items of business listed overleaf.

for Director of Corporate Governance

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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 MEETINGS

The minutes of the meeting held on 2 August 2010 and special meeting held on 16 August 2010 have been circulated to Members and the Cabinet is asked to approve them as correct records.

5. MATTERS REFERRED FROM COMMITTEES [Appendix A](#)

Performance & Value for Money Select Committee – 28 July 2010

Equalities Performance

The following was agreed at the above meeting. The full minute extract is attached at Appendix A.

RESOLVED:

that Cabinet be recommended to identify the impact of likely budget reductions as soon as possible, and lobby the government and the Local Government Association to make them aware of the potential adverse effects on the City .

Councillor Patel to respond.

Performance & Value for Money Select Committee – 28 July 2010

Building Schools for the Future and Changes to School Governance

The following was agreed at the above meeting. The full minute extract is attached at Appendix A.

RESOLVED:

- 1) that the report be noted;
- 2) that Cabinet be recommended to:-
 - a) note the concerns raised by this Committee in relation

to making a 70% affordability contribution to schools which transferred to alternative governance, given that responsibility for funding such schools would no longer rest with the Council; and ask Cabinet to look into this further;

- b) note the concerns raised by this Committee in relation to the stewardship of school land currently held by the Council and explore what can be done to minimise the loss of that land for public use in the event of schools moving to an alternative form of governance and not requiring the land for school purposes; and
 - c) request the Secretary of State to consider stipulating that land or other such assets transferred to a school that has moved to an alternative form of governance but is no longer required by that school should automatically revert to the Authority from which they were transferred, thus keeping them available for public use; and
- 3) that the Director – Learning Environment be asked to investigate what action, if any, the Council can take to ensure assets that are transferred to schools moving to an alternative form of governance are only such as are necessary to run the school, and to prevent the assets of schools that have moved to an alternative form of governance being used either for the advantage of an Academy sponsor or sold.

Councillor Dempster to respond.

**6. REGENERATION AND TRANSPORT TASK GROUP - [Appendix B](#)
REVIEW OF THE IMPACT OF HIGHCROSS
LEICESTER**

The Regeneration and Transport Scrutiny Task Group Leader submits a report that presents to Cabinet the findings of the Task Group Review of the impact on the City Centre of a year of trading of Highcross Leicester.

A divisional response and minute extracts from meetings of the Overview and Scrutiny Management Board, held on 11 February and 13 May 2010 are attached.

**7. LEICESTER CITY COUNCIL'S PLEDGE TO LOOKED [Appendix C](#)
AFTER CHILDREN AND LEAVING CARE AND THE
CHILDREN IN CARE COUNCIL**

Councillor Dempster submits a report that sets out the work completed by

Leicester City Council in respect of the Pledge and the Care Council and makes recommendations for the Local Authority, ensuring the pledge is fully integrated through the council. Cabinet is asked to approve the recommendations set out in Paragraph 2 of the report.

A minute extract from the meeting of the Children & Young People Scrutiny Committee on 31 August 2010 will be circulated as soon as it is available.

**8. RUSHEY MEAD SCHOOL - SPORTS AND SCIENCE [Appendix D](#)
COLLEGE FINAL BUSINESS CASE APPROVAL**

Councillor Dempster submits a report that seeks approval of the direction of travel towards Final Business Case (FBC) for the Council's Building Schools for the Future Rushey Mead School project and to obtain the necessary authority to progress the project. Cabinet is asked to approve the recommendations set out in Paragraph 3 of the report.

A minute extract from the meeting of the Children & Young People Scrutiny Committee on 31 August 2010 will be circulated as soon as it is available.

**9. DRAFT LEICESTER AND LEICESTERSHIRE LOCAL [Appendix E](#)
ENTERPRISE PARTNERSHIP (LLLEP) PROPOSAL**

Councillor Osman submits a report that informs Cabinet of the Government's proposal to create Local Enterprise Partnerships (LEPs) to replace the Regional Development Agencies (RDAs). Cabinet is recommended to approve the submission of the Leicester and Leicestershire Local Enterprise Partnership (LLLEP) proposal to Government by 6th September 2010 and approve the key features and process for establishing the LLLEP.

A minute extract from the meeting of the Overview and Scrutiny Management Board on 2 September 2010 will be circulated as soon as it is available.

**10. ONE COUNCIL CUSTOMER SERVICE PROMISE AND [Appendix F](#)
STANDARDS**

Councillor Bhatti submits a report that seeks approval for a new One Council Customer Service Promise and revised Customer Service Standards. Cabinet is recommended to approve the recommendations in Paragraph 2 of the report.

A minute extract from the meeting of the Performance & Value for Money Select Committee on 1 September 2010 will be circulated as soon as it is available.

**11. THE SAFER LEICESTER PARTNERSHIP ANTISOCIAL [Appendix G](#)
BEHAVIOUR STRATEGY AND POLICY**

Councillor Naylor submits a report that presents two inter-related partnership documents, namely the Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB) strategy and ASB policy; for consultation. Cabinet is asked to approve the recommendations set out in Paragraph 3 of the report.

A minute extract from the meeting of the Overview and Scrutiny Management Board on 2 September 2010 will be circulated as soon as it is available.

12. SHARED INTERNAL AUDIT SERVICE

Appendix H

Councillor Patel submits a report that informs members of the potential for the development of a shared Internal Audit Service between Leicestershire County Council and Leicester City Council, together with a number of Leicestershire District Councils. Cabinet is asked to agree the appointment of a joint Head of Audit.

13. ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS

PHOENIX SQUARE FILM AND DIGITAL MEDIA CENTRE

The Leader has agreed that this item will be considered as urgent business on the grounds that, due to negotiations, it will not be possible to release the report prior to this and an urgent decision is required to ensure continuity of service.

The report will be circulated as soon as it is available and will be considered in public. There will also be a private appendix that contains exempt information as specified within paragraph 3 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972, as amended, as it contains information relating to the financial or business affairs of a particular person (including the authority holding that information.) This appendix will be circulated to Cabinet Members only, and if Cabinet wishes to discuss its contents, it is recommended that Cabinet resolves to move into private session, taking into account whether this would be in the public interest.

