

MEETING OF THE CABINET

DATE: MONDAY, 12 FEBRUARY 2001

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. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The Minutes of the meeting of the Cabinet held on 29 January 2001 have been circulated to Members and the Cabinet is asked to confirm them as a correct record.

3. LEADER'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

4. EVESHAM ROAD/SAFFRON LANE LINK ROAD

Appendix A

Councillor Osman submits a report advising the Cabinet on the implications of revoking the improvement lines and schemes originally made to protect the route of the Evesham Road-Saffron Lane Link Road. The Cabinet is asked to re-affirm that the City Council has no intention to build the strategic East-West link, ask the Director of Environment and Development to carry out studies into light rapid transit and Upperton Road as quickly as possible and report back to the Cabinet and to agree to take no further action on the improvement lines and schemes at this stage.

5. PROPOSALS FOR THE NEW DIVISION FOR LIFELONG LEARNING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT IN THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

Appendix B

Councillor Subedar will give a presentation on Education and Lifelong Learning and also submits a report on proposals for a new division of Education and Lifelong Learning in the Education Department. The Cabinet is asked to endorse the statement of aims, mission and principles for the new Division; approve the timescale for the establishment of the new Division's services and the ongoing review of its facilities, services and management arrangements; and approve the proposed structure for the management of the new Division. The comments of the Education and Lifelong Learning Scrutiny Committee will be reported to the meeting.

6. REVENUE BUDGET 2000/01 - PERIOD 8 MONITORING Appendix C

Councillor Patel submits a report showing the summary position comparing spending with the budget for all General Fund Services and the Housing

Revenue Account based on the first eight months of the year. The Cabinet is asked to note the spend to date and forecast outturn and the likely underspend on corporate budgets and; to approve budget virements and transfers and note the action proposed to ensure that spending is curtailed within Departments' budgets.

Any comments of Scrutiny will be reported to the meeting.

7. CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2000/01 - PERIOD 8 MONITORING Appendix D

Councillor Patel submits a report showing the position regarding capital expenditure based on the monitoring position at the end of November. The Cabinet is asked to approve the revised level of expenditure of £45.427 million and slippage of £4.371 million as well as additions to the Education Capital Programme. The Cabinet is also asked to note the spend position and the position relating to capital receipts.

Any comments of Scrutiny will be reported to the meeting.

8. DISTRICT AUDIT MANAGEMENT LETTER

Appendix E

Councillor Patel submits a report advising the Cabinet of the key messages arising from the District Audit Management Letter for 1999/2000 and the main actions taken or proposed as a result. The Cabinet is asked to note and endorse the actions taken by the Chief Executive and to refer the action plan to Scrutiny Committee to monitor implementation.

9. BEST VALUE REVIEWS

Appendix F

Councillor Willmott submits reports on the following Best Value Reviews:-

Services to Older People Communications and Promotions Customer Care

At the last meeting of the Cabinet, Members agreed a process for monitoring the implementation of Best Value Reviews. Members are asked to agree the recommendations in the attached Review reports and also that these Reviews be subject to the same monitoring process agreed at the last Cabinet meeting on 29 January.

10. BEST VALUE PERFORMANCE INDICATOR GENERAL Appendix G SURVEY

Councillor Willmott submits a report informing the Cabinet of the results of Leicester's Best Value Performance Indicator Survey carried out at the end of last year. The Cabinet is asked to note the report.

11. 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, 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 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.

12. PLACES OF WORSHIP - HAMILTON

Councillor Patel submits a report.