

# **MEETING OF THE CABINET**

## DATE: TUESDAY, 08 MAY 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

## 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

# ACCESS TO INFORMATION AND MEETINGS

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# WHEELCHAIR ACCESS

The Committee Rooms at New Walk Centre are all accessible to wheelchair users. If wheelchair access is required for Council meetings, which are held at the Town Hall, please contact Charles Poole on 252 7015 or call in at the Customer Service Centre.

## **BRAILLE/AUDIO TAPE**

If there are any particular reports that you would like translating into Braille or providing on audio tape, the Committee Administrator can provide this for you (production times will depend upon equipment/facility availability).

General Enquiries - if you have any queries about any of the above or the business to be discussed, please contact Frances Wake, Committee Administrator on (0116) 252 6028 or call in at the Customer Service Centre.

Press Enquiries - please phone the Communications Unit on 252 6081

## **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 ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### 3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The Minutes of the meeting of the Cabinet held on 23 April 2001 have been circulated to Members and the Cabinet is asked to confirm them as a correct record.

#### 4. SERVICE PROFILE - CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S OFFICE

Councillor Willmott to give a presentation.

#### 5. TRANSPORT CONFERENCE - MEETING THE Appendix A NEEDS OF DISABLED PEOPLE Appendix A

Councillor Getliffe and Councillor Patel submit a joint report which provides a 'summary overview' of the Transport Conference held on 16 August 2000. The Cabinet is asked to note the success of the conference, incorporate its positive outcomes into future Best Value Reviews and agree that the conference report document be released with the support of Cabinet.

#### 6. NEW LEISURE FACILITY - PROCUREMENT Appendix B OPTIONS

Councillor Holden submits a report advising Members on the procurement options for the design and construction of the proposed new leisure facility in Braunstone. The Cabinet is asked to note the likely choice of an alternative procurement method for this scheme and in the event of the project specific partnership arrangement being chosen, to agree that Standing Orders 84.85 and 86 be waived in so far as it is necessary to comply with the partnership process and to allow acceptance of the most economically advantageous method overall. The Cabinet is also asked to delegate authority to the Director of Environment, Development and Commercial Services, in consultation with the Director of Arts and Leisure, Head of Legal Services and Chief Financial Officer, to determine all matters in relation to the choice of procurement method and the tendering of the design and construction up to, but not including, the appointment of the successful design and construction organisation.

## 7. POLITICAL CONVENTIONS

## Appendix C

Councillor Willmott submits a report seeking Cabinet's approval to revised Political Conventions, which have been updated in the light of the new political management structures, recent legislation and other issues which have arisen since the last review and also to approve a Procedure for Dealing with Complaints against Councillors. The Cabinet is also recommended to ask the Standards Committee in due course to consider how best to promote understanding and observance of the Conventions.

### 8. BRAUNSTONE HOUSING SURVEY

## Appendix D

Councillor Draycott submits a report that details the results of a consultation exercise which sought the views of tenants on options for the future of 250 properties in North Braunstone. The Cabinet is asked to decide which of the options to adopt.

### 9. CONTRACT STANDING ORDERS - EXEMPTION Appendix E UNDER STANDING ORDER 82.1 (K)

Councillor Osman submits a report informing Cabinet of a decision taken by the Director of Environment, Development and Commercial Services to waive Standing Orders under the provisions of Standing Order 82.1 (k). The Cabinet is asked to note the action taken.

### 10. ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS

### 11. PRIVATE SESSION

## <u>AGENDA</u>

### 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. FREEHOLD SALE OF LAND AT GRANGE LANE AND GOSLING STREET

Councillor Patel submits a report.

## 13. HUMBERSTONE GATE MANAGEMENT PLAN Appendix F

Councillor Roberts submits a report asking the Cabinet to endorse the Management Plan for Humberstone Gate and agree proposals for a way forward to implement the plan.