



Leicester
City Council

MEETING OF THE CABINET

DATE: MONDAY, 19 NOVEMBER 2001
TIME: 5.00 PM
PLACE: COMMITTEE ROOMS 2 & 3, 'B' BLOCK, NEW WALK CENTRE, KING STREET, LEICESTER

Members of the Committee

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

Councillors Draycott, Getliffe, Holden, Kavia, Osman, Roberts, Subedar and Westley.

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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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 held on 5 November 2001 have been circulated to Members and the Cabinet is asked to confirm them as a correct record.

3. LEADER'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

4. SERVICE PROFILE - JOINT FAMILY SUPPORT STRATEGY

Councillor Getliffe to give a presentation.

5. REFORM OF THE NHS: PROPOSALS FOR A NEW STRATEGIC HEALTH AUTHORITY AND FOR INVOLVING PATIENTS AND THE PUBLIC IN HEALTHCARE - [Appendix A](#)

Councillor Getliffe submits a report responding to a consultation document issued by the Trent NHS Regional Office of the Department of Health on a proposal to establish a new Health Authority for Leicestershire, Northamptonshire and Rutland. The report also outlines a discussion document on involving patients and the public in healthcare, published in September as part of the Government's proposals to replace Community Health Councils. The Cabinet is asked to; endorse the proposal for a Strategic Health Authority (SHA); make strong representations that it be based in Leicester; seek assurances that the interests of Leicester continue to be addressed strategically by the SHA and City Primary Care Trusts; secure the future of the City Health Action Zone; receive a further report on the development of an Overview and Scrutiny Committee for Leicester; continue to monitor developments in the Government's plan to replace Community Health Councils; and to delegate responsibility for the final response to the Director of Social Services, in consultation with the Cabinet Lead Member for Social Services.

6. THE FUTURE INTEGRATION OF MENTAL HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE FOR PEOPLE OF A WORKING AGE - APPROVAL IN PRINCIPLE [Appendix B](#)

Councillor Getliffe submits a report informing the Cabinet of the completion of phase two of the Mental Health Integration Project and providing an update on progress with the integration work programme. The Cabinet is asked consider a number of recommendations with regard to entering in to a partnership agreement with Leicestershire and Rutland Healthcare Trust, Leicestershire County Council and Rutland County Council for the provision of integrated mental health care.

7. ENHANCED OPPORTUNITIES FOR COUNCIL EMPLOYEES - TIME OFF FOR WORK IN THE COMMUNITY [Appendix C](#)

Councillor Osman submits a report proposing the introduction of a scheme to allow employees paid leave to undertake voluntary work within the community, provided no additional cost falls on the authority, with a view to enriching their role and enhancing retention opportunities. The Cabinet is asked to agree that from January 2002 employees are allowed up to one day's (7.2 hours, or their regular commitment) paid leave per year to participate in voluntary work consistent with the Community Plan.

8. BEST VALUE REVIEW PROGRAMME YEAR 3 [Appendix D](#)

Councillor Westley submits a report which reviews the Best Value programme in the light of changes in performance and priorities to ensure the following years reviews are appropriately targeted at the Council's priorities. The Cabinet are asked to confirm a revised programme for future Best Value reviews.

9. SINGLE REGENERATION BUDGET - REVIEW OF PROGRAMMES [Appendix E](#)

Councillor Kavia submits a report reviewing all programmes funded under the Single Regeneration Budget (SRB). The Cabinet is asked to note the achievements of the SRB programmes in 2000/01 and to consider the policy issues set out in the report; and to note the views of the Strategic Planning and Regeneration Scrutiny Committee that Cabinet gives further consideration to the appropriate use of Section 106 powers, Compulsory Purchase Orders and public grant to developers.

10. 2001/02 CAPITAL PROGRAMME MONITORING [Appendix F](#)

Councillor Patel submits a report to show the summary position of the capital programme for 2001/2002 up to the end of August (period 5). The Cabinet is recommended to; approve a revised level of programme expenditure of £66.005 million, including rephasing of £8.471 million into 2002/03; note the level of expenditure to the end of August 2001 of £15.738 million; note the

position relating to capital receipts; and approve additions to the Environment and Development Capital Programme.

11. REVENUE BUDGET MONITORING 2001/2002 - PERIOD 5 [Appendix G](#)

Councillor Patel submits a report showing a summary position comparing spending with the budget for all General Fund Services. The Cabinet is asked to; note the changes made to the original approved budget for 2001/02; note the expenditure to date and the budgetary issues which have emerged so far this year; note the proposals put forward to ensure that spending is contained within the Department's budgets; and approve the budget virements detailed in the appendices to the report.

12. PROPOSAL TO EXTEND THE SCHEME FOR AGE DESIGNATED ACCOMMODATION [Appendix H](#)

Councillor Draycott submits a report which seeks to extend the scheme for age designated accommodation. The Housing Committee in November 1999 agreed the pilot scheme. The Cabinet is asked to; approve extending the scheme to a number of other areas as listed in the report; agree that if there is no demand from applicants aged over 45 years then the age limit will be reduced in ten year bandings; agree that the same criteria contained in the report be adopted for future requests for a delegated decision by the Director of Housing; and to agree that when a review of the scheme is carried out in 12 months further consideration be given to the properties detailed in the report which have not been included in the scheme this time.

13. ELECTED MEMBER ABSENCE FROM MEETING [Appendix I](#)

The Town Clerk submits a report seeking approval for Council to be recommended to extend the time of non attendance at Council meetings for Councillor Vaz, beyond the 6 months stipulated in the Local Government Act 1972, due to the extenuating circumstances of Councillor Vaz's illness.

14. AGENDA NOTE:NEW CONSTITUTION

The Town Clerk reports that the Local Government Act 2000, requires each principal Authority to adopt and implement a new Constitution in line with both primary legislation and associated detailed Regulations. As a consequence, the Organisations Working Party has been undertaking the detailed consideration of the issues to be incorporated into the final documentation.

The Organisations Working Party met on 13 November to consider the draft documentation in full, to enable the proposed Constitution to be reported to full Council for consideration at its meeting on 29 November 2001.

To comply with the requirements of Standing Orders, the Cabinet is asked to approve the submission directly to Council of the proposed Constitution, as

recommended by the Organisations Working Party.

15. ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS

16. 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 Cabinet 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 8

The amount of any expenditure proposed to be incurred by the authority under any particular contract for the acquisition of property or the supply of goods and services.

**APPOINTMENT OF CONSULTANTS – REVITALISING
NEIGHBOURHOODS**

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.

ALLOTMENT STRATEGY 2001

17. APPOINTMENT OF CONSULTANTS - REVITALISING NEIGHBOURHOODS

Councillor Willmott submits a report.

18. ALLOTMENT STRATEGY 2001

Councillor Holden submits a report.