## CABINET

## 20 OCTOBER 2005

Councillor I.S. Gollop (Chairman)

Councillors: P. Feeney V. McCrossen R.A. Poynter (a)

W.H. Golland (a) R.J. Nicholson (a) R.F. Spencer

J.M. Parr

Observers: A.J Gillam G.J. Griffiths (a)

#### 101 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Golland, Nicholson and Poynter.

# 102 TO APPROVE AS A CORRECT RECORD THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 6 OCTOBER 2005.

#### **RESOLVED**:

That the minutes of the above meeting, having been circulated, be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

## 103 PRESENTATION ON SUSTAINABILITY BY STEPHEN BRAY, HEAD OF CABINET OFFICE AND DAVID EVANS, POLICY OFFICER

Stephen Bray, Head of Cabinet Office and David Evans, Policy Officer gave a presentation on Sustainability.

#### **RESOLVED**:

1. That each Portfolio Holder be asked to speak to their Heads of Service and ascertain the measures that their department undertakes with regard to economic sustainability and to request additional ideas or measures to improve the process by initially providing a 1 year Plan followed by a 3 year Plan.

2. To thank the Officers for their presentation.

## 104 CORE CITIES

The Chief Executive reported on work being undertaken by the Greater Nottingham Partnership on the core cities initiative.

A document had just been issued setting out draft proposals for taking this forward and also setting out proposals for the associated "three cities" initiative with Derby and Leicester (appendix 1 of the report).

The Minister for Communities and Local Government, David Milliband, would be visiting Nottingham on Friday 11th November as part of his national tour of core cities and it was anticipated that this would be the subject of discussions with him. It was not yet known who would be invited to this event or what the agenda would be although it was expected that it would involve the Leader of the Council and the Chief Executive.

The Chief Executive outlined the draft Programme for the visit indicating that it was anticipated that 1 hour would be spent with representatives of the Nottinghamshire Districts.

**RESOLVED**:

To note the report

#### 105 STATEMENT OF COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

The Head of Planning and Environment reported that the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004, which had come into effect on 28th September 2004, had introduced a new system for producing development plans, called Local Development Frameworks (LDFs). The first stage in this new process was to produce a Local Development Scheme (LDS), setting the Council's intentions with regard to the content and timescale for production of new Local Development Documents (LDDs) that would make up the LDF. The Borough Council's LDS had taken effect in April 2005.

An informal consultation period had been undertaken seeking an early input from key stakeholders primarily asking how organisations would like to be kept involved with the preparation of the Gedling Borough LDF. The questions asked were set out as Appendix 1 to this report.

Five responses had been received and were summarised in the report.

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The draft SCI was set out as Appendix 2 to the report and set out how and when the Council would involve the community and key stakeholders in preparing its LDF. The document also identified in section 3 the procedure with development control matters.

Subject to Cabinet approval the formal stage of consultation would be based on the questions set out in the informal stage of consultation in order to help structure the consultation on the draft SCI. This document would be subject to a six-week period of consultation. It would be made available for public inspection at the Civic Centre and would be available on the Borough Council's website.

Following on from the consultation, the SCI would be amended where necessary and taken forward for Cabinet and Full Council approval. The document would then be formally submitted to the Secretary of State in January 2006 when it would be subject to a further six week consultation period. The submitted document would then be put before an independent inspector for a binding decision before being adopted by the Borough Council.

#### **RESOLVED**:

1. That the Statement of Community Involvement be made available for public inspection in accordance the Town and Country Planning (Local Development) (England) Regulations 2004.

2.That the results of the formal consultation process be included in the report to a future Cabinet when any modifications are also recommended.

## 106 ANY OTHER ITEMS WHICH THE CHAIRMAN CONSIDERS URGENT.

#### DATE OF NEXT MEETING

It was agreed that the next meeting of the Cabinet be moved from Thursday 3 November to Monday 7 November 2005 due to the unavailability of the Leader and Chief Executive.

The meeting closed at 7.45 pm