CABINET

Thursday, 4th May, 2006

Councillor I.S. Gollop (Chairman)

Councillors: P. Feeney W.H. Golland

V. McCrossen R.J. Nicholson R.A. Poynter (a) R.F. Spencer

A.J. Gillam (Observer) G.J. Griffiths (Observer)

J.M. Parr (Observer)

200 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

An apology for absence was received from Councillor Poynter.

201 TO APPROVE AS A CORRECT RECORD THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 6 APRIL 2006.

RESOLVED:

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

202 HOUSING ACT 2004 - DELEGATIONS REPORT

The Head of Housing submitted a report that sought approval for delegated authorities to deal with the Housing Act 2004.

RESOLVED:

To grant the delegated authorities as detailed in the report.

203 MEMBERS' QUESTIONS TO PORTFOLIO HOLDERS

Councillor Cole asked the Portfolio Holder for Direct Services whether any compensation was available from Severn Trent Water as a result of their drainage works making it necessary to re-locate the Christmas tree from Eagle Square to another site on Front Street and would there be any consultation with Members on the selection of a new site?

The Portfolio Holder replied that he was not aware of any compensation that may be available, but that he would enquire about the possibility. He was also happy to enter into consultations with Members regarding any new site that may be identified.

204 REGULATION OF INVESTIGATORY POWERS ACT 2000 (RIPA) APPROVAL

OF POLICY-ACCESS COMMUNICATIONS DATA

The Head of Legal and Democratic Services submitted a report requesting approval to the addition to the above Policy and Procedure approved by Cabinet on 2 March 2006.

RESOLVED:

That he additional Procedure attached at Appendix 1 to the report be adopted.

205 FORWARD PLAN 1 JUNE - 30 SEPTEMBER 2006

RESOLVED:

To approve the Forward Plan

206 PLANNING SERVICES REPORT

The Head of Planning and Environment submitted a report of the Deputy Prime Minster (ODPM) on progress towards specific performance standards set for 2005/05, the steps taken to achieve further performance improvements and the ability to reach national targets set for all local planning authorities

RESOLVED:

To note the report and to write to all relevant staff thanking them for their work.

207 PROGRESS REPORTS FROM PORTFOLIO HOLDERS

The following progress reports on items within their purview were received from Portfolio Holders: -

Finance

- i. Audit report progressing
- ii. New Resource Manager to start on 1 June 2006

Development & Economic Regeneration

i. Town Centre Manager working on Arnold Master Plan

Housing

- i. Application to ODPM for large-scale voluntary transfer of Housing stock proceeding.
- ii. Consideration being given to tenders for planned responsive work.

- iii. Visits to Housing Associations with tenants prior to stock transfer.
- iv. Meetings with tenants from Killisick Court.

Leisure

- i. Request from Swimming Club for exclusive use of pools
- ii. Standhill skateboard Park completed.
- iii. Problems with access to Standhill Park, request from Police to open gate.
- iv. New link fencing vandalised at Arnot Hill Park
- v. 'Friends Group' progressing
- vi. Fountain working in the park.
- vii. Replacement chairs and tables at the Park Kiosk
- viii. Movement of Electricity sub station at Thackerays Lane.

Direct Services.

- i. Car Park to be completed 22 May 2006 in the Park
- ii. Teal Close negotiations with Severn Trent progressing.
- iii. Master Plan meeting on 11 May.
- iv. Request received from Colwick Park for a Christmas tree.

Agenda 21 Crime and Community Development

- i. College Road and Edison Way meetings with residents.
- ii. Meeting with residents at Brook Avenue regarding twitchells and alleyways.
- iii. Finance now available for Arnot Hill Lodge.
- iv. CCTV progressing in Arnold for rolling out to all the Borough area.

RESOLVED:

To note the report.

The meeting closed at 7.00 pm