CABINET

Thursday, 5th April, 2007

Councillor R.F. Spencer (Chairman)

Councillors: P. Feeney (a) W.H. Golland

I.S. Gollop V. McCrossen (a) R.J. Nicholson R.A. Poynter

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

J.M. Parr (Observer)

137 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Feeney and McCrossen

138 TO APPROVE AS A CORRECT RECORD THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 22 MARCH 2007

RESOLVED:

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

139 RISK MANAGEMENT STRATEGY

The Manager of Resource Services provided a review and update of the Council's Risk Management Strategy, and outlined proposals for developing the strategy further.

RESOLVED:

To approve the Revised Risk Management Strategy

140 INCINERATOR REVIEW

The Scrutiny Officer updated members on the progress of the scrutiny working group's review into incineration

RESOLVED:

- i. That the report and its recommendations be passed onto to the Portfolio Holders for Direct Services and Property and Agenda 21 Crime and Community Development-Councillors R. Nicholson and I. Gollop for their consideration implementation.
- ii. To thank Councillor Preston and the working group for their report.

141 PARKING DECRIMINALISATION

The Head of Direct Services informed Members of the current situation concerning decriminalisation of parking enforcement which sought final approval to the further participation of the Council in the proposed County wide scheme for parking enforcement.

RESOLVED:

- i. That the Council enters into a Civil Parking Enforcement Agreement on the terms and conditions outlined in this report.
- ii. That the Head of Direct Services be authorised to sign the legal agreement on behalf of the Council:
- iii. That the Head of Direct Services acts on behalf of the Council in all future operational matters to bring about the implementation and running of the scheme.

142 CONSULTATION ON REVISED PLANNING GUIDANCE IN RELATION TO TRAVELLING SHOWPEOPLE

The Head of Planning and Environment on behalf of the Portfolio Holder Councillor Feeney, submitted a report on Consultations on revised planning guidance in relation to Travelling Showpeople.

RESOLVED:

To endorse the above report to form the basis of submission as the Borough Council's response to the Department for Communities and Local Government on its consultation on revised planning guidance on Travelling Showpeople.

143 PLANNING AND CLIMATE CHANGE CONSULTATION DOCUMENTS.

Consideration was given to Consultation reports on Climate Change.

RESOLVED:

To accept the reports

144 PROGRESS REPORTS FROM PORTFOLIO HOLDERS

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

Finance

- i. Insurance Tender
- ii. Closure of 2006/07 accounts
- iii. Collection Rates
- iv. Housing upper quartile
- v. 'Use of Resources' Judgement from Audit Commission

E. Government and Member Services

- i. Council Chamber acoustics
- ii. Members Induction Programme
- iii. EU Tendering Process

Leisure

- i. Park Rangers
- ii. 'Bluebells' in Arnot Hill Park
- iii. Richard Herrod pavilion completed
- iv. Arnold Leisure Centre Pool.

Agenda 21 Crime and Community Development

- i. Satisfaction Results
- ii. CCTV Operational

Direct Services

Meeting with Severn Trent regarding Teal Close Access

RESOLVED:

To note the reports

145 ANY OTHER ITEMS WHICH THE CHAIRMAN CONSIDERS URGENT.

APRIL 19 CABINET

It was reported that a meeting would not be held on the above date.

The meeting closed at 7.35 pm