

CABINET

Thursday, 12th July, 2007

Councillor R.F. Spencer (Chairman)

Councillors:	A.S. Bexon	G.V. Clarke
	W.H. Golland	R.J. Nicholson
	V.C. Pepper	W.J. Clarke (Observer) (a)
	A.J. Gillam (Observer)	G.E. Withers (Observer)

14 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

An apology for absence was received from Councillor W.J Clarke.

15 TO APPROVE AS A CORRECT RECORD THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 7 JUNE 2007.

RESOLVED:

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

16 UPDATE ON FLOODING 22ND JUNE TO 26TH JUNE 2007

Consideration was given to a report on the recent flooding problems in the Borough.

RESOLVED:

To note the report and to thank staff for their work during the period.

17 PLANNING FOR A SUSTAINABLE FUTURE (PLANNING WHITE PAPER) AND PERMITTED DEVELOPMENT RIGHTS CONSULTATION

Richard Schofield (Planning Policy Officer) and Nick Morley (Development Control Manager) submitted a report that outlined the key issues raised by the recently published Planning White Paper and their implications for the Council.

The paper focused principally on the proposed changes to the Local Development Framework process, which would impact upon the Council most directly. Details of the accompanying consultation on proposed changes to Permitted Development Rights were also detailed.

RESOLVED:

That Cabinet note the report and delegate authority to the appropriate Portfolio Holder to approve a response to the large number of detailed consultation questions posed in the White Paper and Permitted

Development Rights paper.

18 UPDATE ON NEW NATIONAL WASTE MANAGEMENT STRATEGY

The Head of Direct Services submitted a report that advised members on the recent release of the National Waste Strategy for England 2007 and requested members views on the Government's consultation paper on recycling incentives for households.

RESOLVED:

To note the requirements of the National Waste Strategy outlined in this report and to authorise the production of a new waste strategy for the Council.

19 MEMBERS' QUESTIONS TO PORTFOLIO HOLDERS

Councillor P.G. Barnes made the following comment and question respectively:-

i. The 'Grand Master' of the Nottingham Masonic Lodge was co-ordinating a campaign to raise funds for people flooded in the recent storms.

ii. Can consideration be given to the practicalities of providing letter boxes in Council flats?

**20 COMPREHENSIVE PERFORMANCE ASSESSMENT
CORPORATE REASSESSMENT SUBMISSION**

The Head of Strategy and Performance submitted a report that informed members of the Audit Commission's decision not to include the Council in their re-categorisation programme for a corporate reassessment as part of the Comprehensive Performance Assessment (CPA) programme.

RESOLVED:

To note the report.

21 FORWARD PUBLICITY PLAN SUMMER 2007

The Head of Strategy and Performance informed members of proposed publicity initiatives planned for coming months.

RESOLVED:

To note the report.

22 PROGRESS REPORTS FROM PORTFOLIO HOLDERS

The following progress reports on items within their purview were received

from Portfolio Holders: -

Leisure and Youth

- i. 'Green Flag award for Arnot Hill Park'
- ii. 'Quest' designation for Carlton Forum.
- iii. Cemetery land designation
- iv. Redhill Bar
- v. New Arts Officer.
- vi. Community Centre improvements
- vii. Redhill School - Boiler

Development and Economic Regeneration

- i. Local Development Framework - Cross Party steering group

Safe and Sustainable Neighbourhoods

- i. Determination of the Borough 'footprint'
- iii. Area Based Initiatives
- iii. Crime Statistics - improvement

Finance

- i. Conurbation Area Agreements
- ii. Gedling in top 20 following satisfaction survey of Local Councils.

Housing and Health

- i. Housing 'Open day' held 30 June
- ii. Funding for 'Choice Based Lettings'
- iii. Tenants Consultation Panels
- iv. Sheltered accommodation Panels
- v. 6 August - Homeless speech to Housing Association representatives.

RESOLVED:

To note the report.

23 ANY OTHER ITEMS WHICH THE CHAIRMAN CONSIDERS URGENT.

FUTURE MEETINGS OF THE CABINET.

A meeting of the Cabinet, provisionally arranged for 19 July, would not now be held

Future meetings would be held on 2 August and 6 September 2007.

The meeting closed at 6.45 pm