

## **CABINET**

**Thursday, 2nd August, 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)

### **24 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

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

### **25 TO APPROVE AS A CORRECT RECORD THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 12 JULY 2007**

RESOLVED:

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

### **26 QUARTERLY BUDGET MONITORING REPORT AND PERFORMANCE DIGEST AND VIREMENT REPORT**

The Senior Management Team submitted the Quarterly Budget Monitoring Report and Performance Digest and Virement report for members' consideration.

RESOLVED:

- i. To approve the budget changes of £50,000 & below, in the General Fund Revenue Portfolios as detailed at Appendix 1.
- ii. To approve the budget changes of £50,000 & below, in the Housing Revenue Account as detailed at Appendix 2 of the report.
- iii. To note the Revenue Budgets above £50,000 included within Appendices 1 & 2 & also listed below & refer them to the Personnel & Resources Committee for approval.

#### **General Fund**

Temporary Wardens £55,500 (matched by NCC contribution)

Safer & Stronger Communities Grant £69,000 (matched by reduction in expenditure)

Document Management & Customer Relationship Management (£60,300)

Direct Services Energy Costs (£65,100)

Carlton Forum Income £60,000

Leisure Services Energy Costs (£189,300)

Leisure Services Contribution from fuel provision £58,300

Insurance Discount (£89,200) matched by contribution to Insurance Reserve

Local Housing Allowance Grant (£99,200) matched by additional expenditure

DWP Grant (£63,300) matched by additional expenditure

### **Housing Revenue Account**

Energy Costs (£91,800)

iv. To approve the budget changes in the capital programme of £50,000 & below, as detailed in paragraph 4.7 and Appendix 3.

iv. To note the budget changes in the capital programme above £50,000 as detailed in paragraph 4.7 and Appendix 3, and listed below, and refer them to Personnel and Resources Committee for approval.

- Richard Herrod Pavilion (£70,000)

- Renovation Grants £52,000 (met by Regional Housing Board Grant)

v. To note the capital programme schemes totalling £2,374,300 proposed for deferral into 2008/2009 as detailed in paragraph 4.7 and refer them to Personnel and Resources Committee for approval.

vi. To approve the changes to Improvement Task targets as detailed in paragraph 3.9 of the report, as an amendment to the Council's agreed Budget/Service Plan.

vii. To forward the Quarterly Budget Monitoring Information to the Personnel and Resources Committee;

viii. To include details of budget and performance monitoring in a quarterly performance digest, for circulation to all members and for publication on the Council's website and Intranet;

ix. To note the virements as detailed in Appendix 4.

## **27 REVIEW OF COUNCIL PRIORITIES**

The Head of Strategy and Performance updated members on progress with the review of Council priorities.

The report also sought members' endorsement of proposals to progress the review further, and views on wider engagement as part of this progression.

RESOLVED:

That the proposals be endorsed for consultation and the Policy Review Scrutiny Committee Chair be asked to consider their inclusion for comment by the Scrutiny Committee.

## **28 REPORTING PROGRESS TOWARDS STRATEGIC PRIORITY OUTCOMES**

RESOLVED:

- i. To note the progress against outcomes highlighted in Table A and Appendix A.
- ii. To agree the approach to measuring strategic outcomes through the Community Profiles as set out in the report.
- iii. To adopt new indicators and targets highlighted in Appendix B, as per paragraph 3.2 of the report.

## **29 MEMBERS' QUESTIONS TO PORTFOLIO HOLDERS**

1. How does the recent decision on bids submitted for unitary status affect Gedling Borough Council?

Government has indicated that 9 bids are to go forward. There is no direct effect in Nottinghamshire.

2. Is there a job description for Portfolio Holders?

Yes - this will be made widely available on the intranet.

3. What progress is being made on the Gedling colliery site?

The Leader and Chief Executive are to attend a meeting tomorrow and progress will be reported.

### **30 GOVERNMENT REVIEW OF SUB-NATIONAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND REGENERATION**

The Head of Strategy and Performance informed Members of government proposals for future sub-national economic development and regeneration, including roles at regional and sub-regional level. The report also highlighted issues that were of particular relevance for Gedling Borough.

RESOLVED:

To note the report

### **31 NOTTINGHAM CORE STRATEGIC HOUSING MARKET ASSESSMENT**

The Strategy and Enabling Officer and Planning Policy Manager submitted a report on the Nottingham 'Core' Strategic Housing Market Assessment.

RESOLVED:

To note the findings.

### **32 PROGRESS REPORTS FROM PORTFOLIO HOLDERS**

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

#### **Leisure and Youth**

- i. Lottery fund bid by Lambley and Colwick
- ii. Bestwood pitches
- iii. Agreement for shared services
- iv. Arnot Hill Park Green Flag Award
- v. Redhill Cemetery - Memorial Testing
- vi. Gedling Show

#### **Development and Economic Regeneration**

- i. Work on accessibility of Planning committee meetings
- ii. Bus plug

#### **Safe and Sustainable Neighbourhoods**

- i. Cigarette littering
- ii. CCTV control room visits
- iii. LSP meeting attendance

## **Finance**

i. Initial work on Budget formulation

Housing and Health

i. Visits to sheltered schemes.

RESOLVED:

To note the reports.

The meeting closed at 7.05pm