CABINET

Thursday, 18th October 2007

Councillor R.F. Spencer

Councillors: W.H. Golland A.S. Bexon

G.V. Clarke R.J. Nicholson

V.C. Pepper (a) W.J. Clarke (Observer)
A.J. Gillam (Observer)(a) G.E. Withers (Observer)(a)

48 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Gillam and Pepper.

49 TO APPROVE AS A CORRECT RECORD THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 4 OCTOBER 2007

RESOLVED:

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

50 RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT BID SCORING METHODOLOGY 2008/09

The Senior Management Team submitted a report that sought approval for a revised scoring matrix for Resource Development Bids based on new priorities agreed at Cabinet in October 4th 2007.

RESOLVED:

To adopt the scoring methodology principles as set out in the report and demonstrated in Appendix A.

51 ANY OTHER ITEMS WHICH THE CHAIRMAN CONSIDERS URGENT

CORE CITY

A discussion arose on the progress of the Core City agenda, particularly with regard to meetings with the City and County.

HOUSING STOCK TRANSFER

The Chief Executive reported that he and the Head of Housing and Head of Corporate Services had attended a meeting with the DCL in London in connection with the proposed Stock Transfer. As a result of the meeting and subject to the provision of some further information by the Council the Government had offered to provide the gap funding of £13.9 sought by the Council in order that the transfer might proceed. Arrangements would now be made for a tenants' ballot to take place early in 2008.

LGA SETTLEMENT

The Chief Executive reported on the government's announcement of the outcome of the Comprehensive Spending Review 2007. Amongst other things, the review would require local government to achieve efficiency savings of 3% p.a. over a 3-year period. It was anticipated that the required savings were achievable through the emerging transformation agenda and by entering into joint working arrangements with other local authorities. A full report on the review would be presented to the next meeting of the Cabinet.

RESOLVED:

To note the reports

The meeting closed at 6.15pm.