

CABINET

Thursday, 5th June, 2008

Councillor R.F. Spencer (Chairman)

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

1 DEPUTY CHIEF EXECUTIVE

The Chair welcomed the new Deputy Chief Executive John Robinson to the meeting.

2 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Bexon and Clarke.

3 TO APPROVE AS A CORRECT RECORD THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 1 MAY 2008

RESOLVED:

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

4 COMPREHENSIVE PERFORMANCE ASSESSMENT SELF-ASSESSMENT AND UPDATE

The Head of Strategy and Performance sought Cabinet endorsement for the CPA Self-Assessment submitted at Appendix A together with a progress update on the CPA on site week 14 -18 July 2008.

RESOLVED:

i. To endorse the CPA self-assessment, as submitted.

ii. That the thanks of the Cabinet be passed to the staff of the Strategy and Performance Department for their work on the document.

5 HOMELESSNESS AND ALLOCATIONS FUNCTIONS

The Head of Strategy and Performance and Interim Head of Housing submitted a report on the future of the homelessness and allocations functions of the Council.

RESOLVED:

To agree the recommendation of the consultants that both homelessness and allocations are retained in-house.

6 DRAFT HOMELESSNESS STRATEGY 2008-13

The Strategy and Enabling Officer on behalf of Head of Strategy and Performance submitted a report that informed Cabinet of the Draft Homelessness Strategy 2008-13 and Action Plan together with the consultation and delegation arrangements for agreement of the final version of the Strategy.

RESOLVED to:

- i. Note the draft Homelessness Strategy and Action Plan submitted at Appendix A.
- ii. Delegate to the Portfolio Holder for Housing and Health authority to approve the final version of the Strategy, after any amendments, as appropriate derived from the consultation exercise.

7 MEMBERS' QUESTIONS TO PORTFOLIO HOLDERS

i. Councillor P.G. Barnes asked Cabinet to consider improving the arrangements for Member parking particularly when they attend daytime meetings. The Leader of the Council promised to look at the problem.

ii. Councillor W.J. Clarke enquired about progress on the proposal for a Travellers site in the Borough following the receipt of funds towards the project? Councillor Pepper replied that finance had been received from the government in response to a joint submission from the Council and the City Council. Councillor Pepper offered to brief the Group Leaders on the situation.

iii. Councillor Withers asked about the amount of the bill that the Council had received for a copyright breach and also had there been any teething problems following the installation of the new telephone system and had they now been resolved?

Councillor Parr replied that there had been no problems with the infrastructure of the new system although a problem had existed with regard to the numbers of calls being received over a short period of time and it had been difficult to return the calls due to the exceptionally high volume. It was understood that the matter had now been resolved.

8 SOUTH NOTTS CRIME & DISORDER REDUCTION PARTNERSHIP MERGER

The Safe & Sustainable Neighbourhoods Portfolio Holder Councillor G.V. Clarke submitted a report that sought Cabinet approval for a formal merger of the three South Nottinghamshire Crime & Disorder Reduction Partnerships of Broxtowe, Gedling and Rushcliffe to form The South Nottinghamshire Crime & Disorder Reduction Partnership, (SN-CDRP)

RESOLVED:

To agree the proposed merger of the South Nottinghamshire CDRPs to form the South Nottinghamshire Crime & Disorder Reduction Partnership.

9 CORPORATE PLAN 2004-08 REVIEW

The Head of Strategy and Performance submitted a report that reviewed progress made during the lifespan of the 2004-08 Strategic Corporate Plan and the lessons learned during that period to improve the Council's strategic planning activities.

RESOLVED:

To note the report

10 IDEA PEER REVIEW REPORT

Consideration was given to a copy of a minute from the Policy Review Scrutiny Committee held on 20 May 2008

RESOLVED:

To approve the recommendations contained in the report.

11 PERFORMANCE PLAN AND BUDGET OUTTURN 2007/08

The Senior Management Team submitted a report that presented the Performance Plan and Budget Outturn for 2007/08. The outturn reports, grouped by Portfolio were submitted at Appendix 1.

Cabinet were asked to note the final outturn position and to recommend to Council the method of financing the 2007/08 capital expenditure which includes making the Capital Determinations required by the Local Government and Housing Act 1989.

RESOLVED:

(i) To note the Performance Plan and Budget outturn figures for 2007/08.

(ii) To recommend that Council approve:

(a) The overall method of financing of the 2007/08 capital expenditure as set out in Appendix 2 of the report.

(b) The capital determinations in Section 4.4.2 of the report circulated.

(iii) That year-end performance indicator and improvement tasks results for 2007/08 included in Appendix 1 of the report be noted.

(iv) To recommend to Council that performance indicator targets for all indicators for 2008/09, 2009/10 and 2010/11 included in Appendix 5 of the report submitted be agreed.

12 CAPITAL AND REVENUE BUDGETS 2007/08 – CARRY FORWARDS

The Head of Corporate Services sought approval to carry forward Capital and Revenue budgets from 2007/08 as additions to the 2008/09 budgets.

RESOLVED:

(i) To note the capital carry forwards approved by the Head of Corporate Services of £641,700 included in Appendix 1 of the report being amounts of less than £50,000 and committed schemes above £50,000;

(ii) To note the revenue carry forwards approved by the Head of Corporate Services of £343,700 shown in Appendix 2 of the report being amounts of less than £10,000 and committed schemes above £10,000.

and,

(iii) request Council to approve the revenue carry forward of £211,400 as shown in Appendix 3, being non committed schemes in excess of £10,000.

13 PROGRESS REPORTS FROM PORTFOLIO HOLDERS

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

Finance

i. Continuation of meetings with the City Council

ii. Correspondence received from County Councillor David Kirkham requesting support for the East Midlands Rail Link.

Leisure and Youth

i. The Arnold Carnival was to be held on 14th and 15th June 2008

RESOLVED:

To note the information

14 ANY OTHER ITEMS WHICH THE CHAIRMAN CONSIDERS URGENT.

Future Meetings

The Chief Executive reported that a meeting of the Cabinet would be held on Thursday 19 June and the July Cabinet would be held on 10th and not 3rd July 2008.

The meeting closed at 6.30 pm