CABINET

Thursday, 10th July 2008

Councillor R.F. Spencer (Chairman)

Councillors:

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

22 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Gillam and Nicholson.

23 TO APPROVE AS A CORRECT RECORD THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 19 JUNE 2008.

RESOLVED:

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

24 GEDLING TRANSFORMATION PROGRAMME - PRESENTATION BY BLUE MARBLE

Martin Whitely from Blue Marble gave a presentation on the progress of the Gedling Transformation Programme.

RESOLVED:

To thank Martin Whitely for his presentation.

25 ARNOLD TOWN CENTRE MASTERPLAN

The Deputy Chief Executive submitted a report recommending the appointment of legal and property advisers to assist with progressing re-development of Arnold Town Centre including financial support for the scheme.

RESOLVED to:

i) Agree the appointment of external advisers as set out in the report;

ii) Note the additional resources and funding required in the future base budgets

iii) Request Council to prioritise continued financial support for the scheme when considering 2009/10 and 2010/11 budgets.

26 MEMBERS' QUESTIONS TO PORTFOLIO HOLDERS

Councillor P.G. Barnes reported the details of a complaint from the family of an elderly lady who had installed Sky TV following her move into Moyra House, only for the lady to be informed that the dish would have to be removed as it was an inappropriate structure on the building.

The Portfolio Holder replied that the Head of Housing was dealing with the matter and the lady would be visited by one of the Council's Mobile Wardens with a view to resolving the situation and advising her that she could have Freeview or NTL installed as an alternative.

27 "CONTACTS" EDITORIAL BOARD

The Head of Strategy and Performance on behalf of the Leader of the Council reported that a request had been received from elected members to be more involved with the development and production of the Council's Council's "Contacts" magazine.

To facilitate this involvement, it had been suggested that a cross-party editorial board should be established to fulfil this role. Suggested terms of reference had been drawn up by elected members, and were submitted at Appendix A to the report.

RESOLVED:

To approve the establishment of a 'Contacts' Editorial Board comprising Councillors T.J. Pepper, Tait, Wright and 1 Labour representative to be notified.

28 PROGRESS REPORTS FROM PORTFOLIO HOLDERS

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

Finance

i. Thanks to Members and Officers for their preparatory work on the CPA visit.

Development & Economic Regeneration

- i. Portfolio Holder attended 2 day Planning Course at York.
- ii. Chaired Local Steering Group Meeting at Top Wighay.
- iii. Attended Joint Advisory Board for Inter District Working.

Customer Services & Efficiency

i. Portfolio Holder and Deputy Chief Executive attended LGA Conference in Bournemouth. - Report to be presented to Cabinet.

Leisure & Youth

i. Leisure Bulletin to be sent to all Members.

Safe & Sustainable Neighbourhoods

- i. Visit by Members to Police Headquarters
- ii. Graffiti removal and Fly Tipping, finance to provide staff.

RESOLVED:

To note the information.

29 PROPOSED INDUSTRIAL ACTION

The Deputy Chief Executive gave an update on the proposed industrial action by Unison members on Wednesday and Thursday 16 and 17 July.

It was too early at this time to give an indication of the services that may be affected although it was intended to update the web site early next week and also issue a press statement.

The meeting closed at 6.40 pm