

CABINET

Thursday, 7th August, 2008

Councillor R.F. Spencer (Chairman)

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

30 TO APPROVE AS A CORRECT RECORD THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 10 JULY 2008.

RESOLVED:

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

31 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS.

Councillor W.J. Clarke declared a personal but non-prejudicial interest in agenda item 5 due to his membership of the County Select Committee on Flooding.

32 SPATIAL PLANNING UPDATE.

The Planning Policy Manager for the Head of Planning and Environment and the Head of Strategy and Performance submitted a report that provided an update on a number of key spatial planning issues.

A Briefing Note on the Secretary of State's proposed changes to the East Midlands Regional Plan (Regional Spatial Strategy) was submitted.

It was reported that a presentation was being arranged for all members on the 9 September and a report would be submitted to SMT and Cabinet in early October.

RESOLVED:

To note the report.

33 PROPOSAL TO ESTABLISH A LOCAL AUTHORITY BUILDING CONTROL COMPANY

The Deputy Chief Executive submitted a report that provided an update on the proposals to merge the Building Control services of Gedling Borough Council and Newark and Sherwood District Council.

RESOLVED:

- i) To agree the development of a Business Case for the establishment of a Local Government Building Control Company as set out in the report;
- ii) To agree to receive a further report once the Business Case has been produced.

34 NOTTINGHAMSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL FLOODING (DRAINAGE AND WATERCOURSES) SELECT COMMITTEE

The Scrutiny Officer submitted a report that informed Cabinet Members on the findings and conclusions reported at Nottinghamshire County Council's Flooding Select Committee.

RESOLVED:

- i. That Members note in particular the recommendations made that refer to Borough Councils and
- ii. That a further progress report be submitted to Cabinet in 12 months time.
- iii. That a copy of the report be sent to all Parish Council's

35 MEMBERS' QUESTIONS TO PORTFOLIO HOLDERS

Councillor Ellwood asked why the period of public consultation on the Council's energy policy had only lasted for 2 weeks and was it possible that the period could be extended?

Councillor G.V. Clarke reported that the policy had been posted on the web for public consultation and as far as he was aware very few comments had been received.

Cabinet would shortly consider a report on the policy.

36 STRATEGIC PERFORMANCE MEASURES

The Head of Strategy and Performance submitted a report that sought Cabinet agreement for the Council's strategic performance measures for 2008/12, and for SMART targets where appropriate, to update the Council's new Strategic Corporate Plan.

RESOLVED:

To agree strategic performance measures for 2008/12, and to confirm SMART targets for these measures originally agreed in June 2008 where appropriate.

37 LOCAL GOVERNMENT OMBUDSMAN'S ANNUAL LETTER FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2008

The Head of Democratic & Community Services submitted a copy of the Local Government Ombudsman's Annual Letter for the Year Ended 31st March 2008.

RESOLVED:

To note the report.

38 QUARTERLY BUDGET MONITORING, PERFORMANCE DIGEST & VIREMENT REPORT

The Senior Management Team submitted the Quarterly Budget Monitoring, Performance Digest & Virement Report.

RESOLVED:

i. To note the General Fund Revenue Budget changes included within Appendix 1 and as the net changes exceeded the Cabinet's maximum budget, to refer them to full Council for approval.

ii. To approve the budget changes of £50,000 & below, in the Housing Revenue Account as detailed at Appendix 2.

iii. To note the budget changes in the Housing Revenue Account above £50,000 as detailed in paragraph 4.5 and Appendix 2, and listed below, and refer them to Personnel and Resources Committee for approval.

Capital expenditure charges to revenue (£154,800)

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

v. 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.

Colwick Ball Court & Youth Shelter £56,100 Funded by Big Lottery Fund (£56,100)

Transfer of LSVT expenditure to revenue (£310,000)

Funded by revenue contribution from New Charter £310,000

vi. To note the capital programme schemes totalling £283,900 proposed for deferral into 2009/2010 as detailed in paragraph 4.7 and refer them to Personnel and Resources Committee for approval.

vii. 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.

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

ix. 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;

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

39 PROGRESS REPORTS FROM PORTFOLIO HOLDERS

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

Finance

- i. Supplementary estimate proposed
- ii. CPA result awaited

Development & Economic Regeneration

- i. Attendance of Portfolio Holder at Joint Advisory Board
- ii. Members can attend Cross party Steering Group Meetings.

Customer Services & Efficiency

- i. GTP progressing to enhance customer service

Housing & Health

- i. Work being carried out on retained services

Safe & Sustainable Communities

- i. Fear of Crime Statistics
- ii. Road Traffic Information on accidents requested

Leisure & Youth

- i. Bulletin sent out to Members
- ii. 'Play Day' in the Park 13 August
- iii. Arnot Hill Park in excellent condition - thanks to Leisure and Direct Services.
- iv. BMX provision in the Borough
- v. Hedge on Nottingham Road
- vi. New Leisure provision at Carlton Forum

Direct Services

- i. Direct Services short listed for an Award – decision 11 September

RESOLVED:

To note the information.

40 FORWARD PLAN 1 SEPT - 31 DECEMBER 2008

RESOLVED:

To approve the Forward Plan.

41 ANY OTHER ITEMS WHICH THE CHAIRMAN CONSIDERS URGENT.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting would be held on 4 September.

The meeting closed at 7.00 pm