

## **CABINET**

**Thursday, 3rd December 2009**

Councillor R.F. Spencer (Chairman)

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

### **52 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

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

### **53 TO APPROVE AS A CORRECT RECORD THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 5 NOVEMBER 2009.**

RESOLVED:

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

### **54 REVIEW OF THE COUNCIL'S OPERATIONAL VISION**

The Chief Executive reported that in December 2006 the Council had adopted a Vision for the future operation of the Council, which had been the product of several months of consideration and consultation.

It was reported that much had happened since the report had been produced in 2006, which was of direct and lasting relevance to the Council, the services it delivered within the Borough and the way in which it approached its affairs.

The review of the report reflected upon these experiences, including experiences of joint working and shared services, and suggested some refinement of the vision in the light of them.

The overall conclusion which the Chief Executive invited the Council to draw from this, therefore, was that the past three years had confirmed that the Vision remained a sound basis for the future operational strategy for the Council, but that the Council should take the opportunity to refine it slightly in the light of events and their experiences.

RESOLVED:

That the Council formally adopt the Vision and associated documents.

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

Councillor P.G, Barnes asked if the Council were giving consideration to the introduction of Sunday car parking charges?

The Leader of the Council replied that the Council were looking at every possibility although it did not mean that this would necessarily happen.

**56      COMPREHENSIVE AREA ASSESSMENT  
ORGANISATIONAL ASSESSMENT RESULT 2008/09**

The Head of Strategy and Performance submitted a report that informed Cabinet of the result of the first Audit Commission Organisational Assessment of the Council carried out earlier this year.

RESOLVED:

To note the report.

**57      PROGRESS REPORTS FROM PORTFOLIO HOLDERS**

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

**Leisure & Wellbeing**

- i. Sports Awards - Sports Partnerships
- ii. Tree sculptures in Arnot Hill Park
- iii. Christmas Lights - budget reductions

**Safe & Sustainable Neighbourhoods**

- i. Pride in Honeywood programme 2009 evaluation video shown at Performance Review Scrutiny Committee

**Finance**

- i. Budget work ongoing

**Development & Enterprise**

- i. 'Boots' open at Victoria Park

RESOLVED:

To note the reports.

The meeting closed at 5.55 pm