

CABINET

Thursday, 3rd June, 2010

Councillor R.F. Spencer (Chairman)

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

Officers in attendance: P Murdock, J Robinson, M Kimberley, J Brothwell, S M Sale, K Tansley, N Morley, S Bray.

6 TO APPROVE AS A CORRECT RECORD THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 13 MAY 2010.

RESOLVED:

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

7 COUNCIL PLAN AND BUDGET OUTTURN 2009/10

The Senior Management Team presented the Council Plan and Budget Outturn for 2009/10. The Financial Outturn reports, grouped by Portfolio, were attached at Appendix 1 to the report and the Performance Results attached at Appendix 7.

There was an overall General Fund underspending of £261,834 or 1.66% after accounting for approved budget carry forwards of £128,400 which were much lower than in previous years.

Overall the Council had again produced a robust financial outturn in line with the revised medium term financial plan projections for 2009/10 and which increased reserve balances and provisions in a worsening economic climate. General Fund balances were reducing but remained above minimum levels and, although some individual areas would require ongoing attention in the future, notably leisure centre income, the Council's financial performance remained strong.

RESOLVED:

- (i) To note the Council Plan and Budget outturn figures for 2009/10.
- (ii) To RECOMMEND that Council approve:
 - (a) The overall method of financing of the 2009/10 capital expenditure as set out in Appendix 6 of the report.
 - (b) The capital determinations in Section 5.4.2. of the report.
 - (c) The performance indicator targets for all indicators for 2010/11, 2011/12 and 2012/13 included in Appendix 9.

8 CAPITAL AND REVENUE BUDGETS 2009/10 – CARRY FORWARDS

The Head of Corporate Services submitted a report seeking approval to carry forward Capital and Revenue budgets from 2009/10 as additions to the 2010/11 budgets.

RESOLVED:

(i) To note the capital carry forwards approved by the Head of Corporate Services of £384,100 included in Appendix 1 to 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 £128,400 shown in Appendix 3 being amounts of less than £10,000 and committed schemes above £10,000.

(iii) To request Council to approve the capital carry forward of £309,300 as shown in Appendix 2, being non committed schemes in excess of £50,000.

9 THE ANNUAL INTERNAL AUDIT REPORT 2009-10

The Annual Internal Audit report was attached and indicated that the Council's systems and controls were generally operating adequately. This conclusion was of importance in reviewing and supporting the Annual Governance Statement in support of the Annual Statement of Accounts.

RESOLVED:

To note the report.

10 ANNUAL GOVERNANCE STATEMENT (DRAFT)

RESOLVED:

To support the Draft Annual Governance Statement for inclusion in the annual statement of accounts for 2009-10.

11 MEMBERS' QUESTIONS TO PORTFOLIO HOLDERS

Councillor Goodwin asked whether, now that the RSS was gone, the local plan was back in force and whether the Council could now decide on the Borough's housing provision figure.

The portfolio holder replied that although indication had been given by the Secretary of State we were still awaiting detail.

Councillor Gillam asked for any news on the Gedling relief road. There was no news at the moment.

Councillor P G Barnes asked Councillor Golland to contact the County Council about tree felling during the nesting season, and asked the Leader for information on Arnold Health Centre. Councillor Golland agreed to contact the County and the Leader replied that the PCT board had decided not to proceed with LIFT programme and were now having discussions with GP's.

12 SUB-NATIONAL REVIEW OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT; HOMES AND COMMUNITIES AGENCY SINGLE CONVERSATION AND RELATED MATTERS

The Head of Strategy and Performance submitted a report which summarised new arrangements in place for sub regional governance of economic development, housing and regeneration issues in the light of the Sub-National Review (SNR); the creation of the Homes and Communities Agency (HCA); the abolition of the East Midlands Regional Assembly and changes in the role of the Greater Nottingham Partnership.

A request had been received from the County Council to contribute to the Single Capital Programme administration costs.

RESOLVED:

1. To note the report.
2. To contribute £9,000 in 2010/11 to the County Council towards their costs of administering the Single Capital Programme.

13 FORWARD COMMUNICATIONS PLAN - SUMMER 2010

Members were informed of proposed publicity initiatives planned for between May and November 2010.

RESOLVED:

To note the report.

14 PROGRESS REPORTS FROM PORTFOLIO HOLDERS

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

Leisure & Wellbeing

- i. Opened Colwick playground
- ii. Carlton play day held
- iii. Queensbower playground nearing completion
- iv. Green flag inspection held.

Safe & Sustainable Neighbourhoods

- i. Funding agreed for community groups.

Development & Enterprise

- i. Attended Notts Economic Development partnership meeting
- ii. More work with other Councils.

Direct Services

- i. Gedling colliery household waste site to close 1 August 2010.

RESOLVED:

To note the reports.

The meeting closed at 6.20pm.