

CABINET

Thursday, 3rd February, 2011

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)	A.J. Gillam (Observer)
	G.E. Withers (Observer)	

Officers in attendance: J Robinson, S M Sale, M Kimberley, D Parton, S Bray, K Tansley, J Brothwell, P Baguley

70 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

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

71 TO APPROVE AS A CORRECT RECORD THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 13 JANUARY 2011

RESOLVED:

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

72 QUARTERLY BUDGET MONITORING, PERFORMANCE DIGEST & VIREMENT REPORT

The Senior Management Team submitted a report to inform Cabinet of the position against Improvement Actions and Performance Indicators in the 2010/2011 Council Plan and updated Cabinet on the likely outturn of the Revenue and Capital Budgets for the 2010/2011 financial year. The overall resource implication for the Council General Fund was a predicted under spend of £108,300 against the Cabinet's maximum budget.

RESOLVED:

1. To approve the changes to Improvement Action targets as detailed in paragraph 3.9 of the report, as an amendment to the agreed Council Plan.

2. To note the General Fund Revenue Budget changes included within Appendix 2 and approve the budget changes of £50,000 & below.

3. To note the revenue budget changes in the General Fund above £50,000 as listed below and refer them Personnel and Resources Committee for approval:

Community Protection Employee savings (£50,800)

Housing Needs – income from secondments (£63,300)

Benefits net saving (£84,000)

Contribution to Benefits Reserve £84,000

Information Technology-additional Software £53,900.

4. To note the capital schemes totalling £154,100 in paragraph 4.4 proposed for deferral and refer them to Personnel & Resources Committee for approval.

5. To note the capital budget changes included within paragraph 4.4 and Appendix 3 and approve the budget changes of £50,000 and below.

6. To note the capital budget changes above £50,000, as listed below and refer them to Personnel & Resources Committee for approval.

Bigwood School Community Sports (£400,000)
Customer Relationship Management System (£250,000)
Reduced Strategic Property Purchase (£350,000)
Waste Management System funded by NIEP £100,000
Fleet Management System funded by NIEP £93,800.

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

8. To include details of budget and performance monitoring in a quarterly performance digest, to be published on the Council's website and Intranet; in line with the recommendations of Performance Review Scrutiny Committee.

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

73 MEMBERS' QUESTIONS TO PORTFOLIO HOLDERS

Is the joint budget for a travellers site still existing?
Yes, but no site has been identified as yet.

74 PRUDENTIAL CODE INDICATOR MONITORING 2010/11 AND QUARTERLY TREASURY ACTIVITY REPORT

The Head of Corporate Services informed Cabinet of the performance monitoring of the 2010/11 Prudential Code Indicators, and the quarterly treasury activity as required by the Treasury Management Strategy.

RESOLVED:

To note the Prudential Indicator Monitoring at Appendix 1 to the report, and the Treasury Activity Report at Appendix 2.

75 GEDLING ENERGY POLICY & ACTION PLAN

The Head of Planning & Environment reported that the Council had been working with the Carbon Trust and Energy Saving Trust to establish its carbon footprint and develop plans to reduce it. An Energy Policy and Action Plan had now been developed and was attached to the report.

RESOLVED:

To note the report and submit the Energy Policy and Action Plan for public consultation.

76 ADAPTING TO CLIMATE CHANGE

The Head of Planning & Environment submitted a report on progress in moving the Council from Level 0 (Getting Started) to Level 1 (Public Commitment and Impacts Assessment) in preparing to adapt to climate change.

RESOLVED:

To note the report and the progress made in preparing to adapt to climate change.

77 PROGRESS REPORTS FROM PORTFOLIO HOLDERS

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

Finance

- i. Collection rates were positive
- ii. Sustainable 3-5 year financial plan was being put in place
- iii. LGA Finance awards - Leader short listed but team effort.
- iv. Referendum on 5 May 2011.

Leisure & Communities

- i. Funding from School Sports Partnership.
- ii. Arnold Carnival/Gedling Show dates.
- iii. Event in Arnot Hill Park.
- iv. New Changing Lifestyles Strategy.
- v. Well at Work programme.

Safe and Sustainable Neighbourhoods

- i. Littering prosecutions.

Development & Enterprise

- i. Colwick Park development.
- ii. Review of Planning fees.
- iii. Increase in work volumes.
- iv. Business adviser sessions continuing.
- v. Joint exhibition planned.
- vi. Training sessions for retailers.

Customer and Member Services

- i. Littering enforcement.
- ii. Scrutiny work impacting on Council performance and service delivery.

RESOLVED:

To note the reports.

The meeting closed at 6.15pm.