

Minutes of Cabinet

27 January 2016

Present:

Councillor Q.R. Edgington, Overall Policy direction
Councillor J.R. Sexton, Communications, Procurement and ICT
Councillor M.M. Attewell, Waste, Environment and Parking
Councillor T.J.M. Evans, Finance
Councillor V.J. Leighton, Planning and Corporate Development
Councillor A.J. Mitchell, Community safety and Licensing
Councillor J.M. Pinkerton OBE, Housing, health, wellbeing, Independent Living and Leisure
Councillor D. Saliagopoulos, Economic Development and Fixed Assets

Apologies: There were none.

Councillors in attendance:

Councillor Ian Harvey
Councillor Sinead Mooney
Councillor Colin Davis

2231 Minutes

The minutes of the Cabinet meeting held on 9 December 2015 were agreed as a correct record.

2232 Disclosures of Interest

There were none.

2233 *Treasury Management Strategy Statement and Annual Investment Strategy 2016-17 - Key Decision

Cabinet considered a report on the Treasury Management Strategy Statement and Annual Investment Strategy for 2016-17.

RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND that Council approves the proposed Treasury Management Strategy Statement and Annual Investment Strategy for 2016-17.

Reason for the decision:

Cabinet noted that the successful identification, monitoring and control of risk are central to the Council's Treasury Management and Annual Investment Strategies and therefore subsequent financing of the Council's services to local residents.

2234 Outline Budget for 2016-17 to 2019-20 - Key Decision

Cabinet received a report on the Outline Budget 2016-17 to 2019-20.

RESOLVED that Cabinet agrees that:

- The net budgeted expenditure (before investment and use of reserves) for 2016-17 be set at a maximum level of £14.4m
- That the financial health indicators set out in paragraph 3.20 be agreed
- That the Council accepts, in principle, the Government offer of a 4-year funding settlement in order to protect the Council against risk of further increases in payments it is required to make in future years to the Government.

2235 *Pay Policy Statement 2016-17

Cabinet considered a report on the Annual Pay Policy Statement 2016-17.

RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND that Council approves the Pay Policy Statement for 2016-17.

Reason for the decision:

Cabinet noted that the Localism Act 2011 required local authorities to publish an annual pay policy statement to increase transparency regarding the use of public funds to pay Council staff.

2236 Leader's announcements

There were none.

2237 Issues for future meetings

There were none.

2238 Urgent items

There were none.

NOTES:-

- (1) ***Members of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee are reminded that under Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rule 16, the “call-in” procedure shall not apply to recommendations the Cabinet makes to the Council. The matters on which recommendations have been made to the Council, if any, are identified with an asterisk [*] in the above Minutes.***

- (2) Members of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee are entitled to call in decisions taken by the Cabinet for scrutiny before they are implemented, other than any recommendations covered under (1) above.**
- (3) Within three working days of the date on which a decision of the Cabinet or a Cabinet Member is published, not less than three members [one of whom must be the Chairman] of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee are able to "call in" a decision;**
- (4) To avoid delay in considering an item "called in", an extraordinary meeting of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee will be convened within seven days of a "call in" being received if an ordinary meeting is not scheduled in that period;**
- (5) When calling in a Cabinet decision for review the members doing so should in their notice of "call in":-**

 - Outline their reasons for requiring a review;**
 - Indicate any further information they consider the Overview and Scrutiny Committee needs to have before it in order to conduct a review in addition to the written report made by officers to the Cabinet;**
 - Indicate whether, where the decision was taken collectively by the Cabinet, they wish the Leader or his nominee (who should normally be the Cabinet Member) or where the decision was taken by a Cabinet Member, the member of the Cabinet making the decision, to attend the committee meeting; and**
 - Indicate whether the officer making the report to the Cabinet or the Cabinet Member taking the decision or his/her representative should attend the meeting.**
- (6) The deadline of three working days for "call in" by Members of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee in relation to the above decisions by the Cabinet is the close of business on Monday 1 February 2016**