

Minutes of the Extraordinary Cabinet

Monday 9 September 2013

Present:

Councillor R.L. Watts, Leader of the Council, Chairman of the Cabinet and
Cabinet Member for Strategy and Corporate Governance
Councillor T.J.M. Evans, Cabinet Member for Finance
Councillor V.J. Leighton, Cabinet Member for Corporate Development
Councillor T. Mitchell, Cabinet Member for Environment
Councillor J. Sexton, Cabinet Member for Communications, ICT and
Procurement
Councillor S. Webb, Cabinet Member for Planning and Housing

Apologies:

Councillor P. Forbes-Forsyth, Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for
Community Safety, Young People, Leisure and Culture
Councillor N. Gething, Cabinet Member for Economic Development and Fixed
Assets
Councillor J.M. Pinkerton OBE, Cabinet Member for Health, Wellbeing and
Independent Living

1955/13 Disclosures of Interest

There were none.

1956/13 Technical Reforms to Council Tax Discounts and Premiums (consultation) – Key Decision

Cabinet considered a report on the proposed options for consultation on
technical reforms to Council Tax discounts and premiums.

RESOLVED that Cabinet:

- (1)** Approves the two options proposed for Council Tax discounts and
premiums, including preferred Option 1.
- (2)** Approves a formal six weeks' consultation period to consult on the
options for Council Tax discounts and premiums.

1957/13 Localisation of Council Tax Support (consultation) – Key Decision

Cabinet considered a report on a revised local Council Tax support scheme.

RESOLVED that Cabinet:

- (1) Approves the options for a revised local Council Tax scheme, including preferred Option 2.
- (2) Approves a formal six weeks' consultation period to consult on the options for a revised local Council Tax support scheme.
- (3) Notes the timetable for implementation.

NOTES:-

- (1) ***Members of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee are reminded that under Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rule, 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 16 September 2013