

HAVANT BOROUGH COUNCIL

At a meeting of the Cabinet held on 18 March 2015

Present

Councillor Cheshire (Chairman)

Councillors Briggs, Branson, Fairhurst, Guest and Weeks

134 Apologies for Absence

There were no apologies for absence.

135 Minutes

RESOLVED that the minutes of the Cabinet meeting held on 4 February 2015 be approved as a correct record.

136 Matters Arising

There were no matters arising from the minutes of the last meeting.

137 Declarations of Interests

There were no declarations of interest from any of the members present.

138 Chairman's Report

There were no matters the Chairman wished to report.

139 Cabinet Lead Delegated Decisions, Minutes from Meetings etc.

RESOLVED that the following delegated decisions taken since the last meeting of the Cabinet be noted:

- (1) Representation on East Hampshire District Local Plan: Housing and Employment Allocations (Draft Site Allocations Plan) Issue;
- (2) Traffic Regulation Order Proposals - Jessie Road and Surrounding Roads;
- (3) Traffic Regulation Order -Various Roads in Cowplain; and
- (4) Traffic Regulation Order - The Mallards & Towers Garden, Havant.

140 Recommendations from the Scrutiny Board

(a) Review of Catering

Councillor Branson presented a report and recommendation from the Governance and Logistics Scrutiny and Policy Development Panel,

recommending to the Cabinet that food and drink provision for future Council events and meetings be as set out below. At the invitation of the Cabinet, Councillor Leah Turner joined the meeting and spoke in support of the recommendations in her capacity as Scrutiny Lead.

RESOLVED that

- (1) tea and coffee only be provided for future councillor events including meetings;
- (2) food and drink be provided for Mayoral events if appropriate; and
- (3) all lunch requests for officer events be approved by the relevant Service Manager.

(b) Personalisation

Councillor Fairhurst presented a report and recommendation to the Cabinet arising from a review by the Marketing and Development Panel on Personalisation. At the invitation of the Cabinet, Councillor Faith Ponsonby joined the meeting and spoke in support of the recommendations in her capacity as a member of the Scrutiny Panel.

RESOLVED that:

- (1) the Agile approach is not about officers adopting a new way of operating, it is about Councillors using a different operating methodology. The Council should take further steps to encourage Councillors to embrace this method;
- (2) there needs to be escalated progress with the delivery of Agile projects such as Operational Services and Community led services;
- (3) the policy of a “customer-centred” approach to help specific groups and individuals should continue. These additional services must be designed around the needs of our residents to create their own unique account where they can see all services and products they use and that are available to them;
- (4) additional services must be designed so that they are easily accessible by residents, fit for purpose and efficient; and
- (5) we need to continue to align our internal culture towards Personalisation and Agile working.

141 Parking and Traffic Management Arrangements in HBC

Councillor Fairhurst presented a report setting out progress with regard to the Traffic Management Project since October 2014 and seeking approval for the preferred approach of the delegation of functions from Havant Borough Council (HBC) to East Hampshire District Council (EHDC).

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During the course of the debate the Cabinet Lead agreed to liaise with the Chairman of the Scrutiny Board, to look at options for a post implementation review of the project as part of the Scrutiny Board's work programme.

RESOLVED that

(1) Delegation of Functions and Memorandum of Understanding:

Authority be delegated to the Executive Head of Communities in consultation with the Cabinet Lead for Environment and Neighbourhood Quality to delegate to EHDC the Councils functions in relation to off street parking under the Traffic Management Act 2004, Civil Enforcement of Parking Contraventions (England) General Regulations 2007 and the Civil Enforcement of Parking Contraventions & Appeals Regulations 2007 and to enter into a legally binding Memorandum of Understanding with EHDC in relation to off street civil parking enforcement on street civil parking enforcement and traffic management; and

(2) in respect of traffic management and Civil Enforcement of Parking Contraventions, the Executive Head of Communities in consultation with the Cabinet Lead for Environment and Neighbourhood Quality be delegated the power to delegate these functions to EHDC upon the county council confirming delegation of these functions from HBC to EHDC.

142 Business Rates - Extension to Transitional Relief Discretionary Scheme

Councillor Branson presented a report seeking approval for the Business Rates Extension to Transitional Relief discretionary scheme.

RESOLVED that the introduction of a Business Rates Extension to Transitional Relief discretionary scheme, to operate in accordance with the Department of Communities & Local Government guidance, be approved.

143 Pay Policy Statement 2015-16

Councillor Branson presented a report setting out the draft Pay Policy Statement for 2015/16, for approval by full Council.

RECOMMENDED to full Council that the Pay Policy Statement for 2015/16 be approved and adopted.

144 Councillor Development Strategy

Councillor Branson presented a report setting out a draft Councillor Development Strategy, for approval by full Council.

RECOMMENDED to full Council that the Councillor Development Strategy be approved and adopted for implementation post May elections, to ensure that

the Council's requirements for Councillors in respect of their development and roles are fully understood.

145 Five Councils Corporate Services Contract Inter Authority Agreement

Councillor Fairhurst presented a report seeking approval for Havant Borough Council to enter into an inter-authority agreement with South Oxfordshire District Council, Vale of White Horse District Council, Mendip District Council and Hart District Council, to procure the corporate and support services outlined in the Cabinet report of 10 December 2014.

RESOLVED that the Service Manager: Legal Services be authorised, in consultation with the Cabinet Lead responsible for internal contracts, to agree any final details and sign the Inter-Authority Agreement with other council partners.

The meeting commenced at 2.00 pm and concluded at 2.58 pm

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Chairman