



Coventry City Council

SUMMARY OF CABINET/CABINET MEMBER DECISIONS

WEEK COMMENCING 9 DECEMBER 2013

CALL IN FOR THESE DECISIONS ENDS
9.00 A.M. ON FRIDAY 20 DECEMBER 2013

13 DECEMBER 2013

Public Business

- Denotes items that have been referred to Audit and Procurement Committee.
- # Denotes items that are to be referred to Council. Accordingly Call-in does not apply.
- ◆ Denotes a matter where the associated report has already been considered by the Scrutiny Co-ordination Committee or a Scrutiny Board. Where this body has endorsed the recommendations or made recommendations that have been accepted by the Cabinet/Cabinet Member Call-in does not apply.
- * Denotes other items that have been referred to, or considered by, the Scrutiny Co-ordination Committee or a specific Scrutiny Board.

Note: The Limitations on Call-in are set out at the end of this sheet.

Joint Cabinet Members (Energy and Environment) and (Public Services) – 10th December, 2013

Report 4 Approval to Proceed to Create Cycle Ways Around Hearsall Common Within the Cycle Coventry Programme.

Recommendations

The Cabinet Member (Energy and Environment) is recommended to:

1. Approve the dedication of new highway rights in the form of a cycle track across land known as Hearsall Common, in accordance with Section 96 of the West Midlands County Council Act 1980 and Section 24 of the Highways Act 1980 (indicated on plan at Appendix B).

The Cabinet Member (Public Services) is recommended to:

1. Accept the dedication and responsibility for future maintenance liability of highway rights in the form of a cycle track across land known as Hearsall Common (indicated on plan at Appendix B).

The above recommendations were approved.

Cabinet Member (Public Services) – 10th December, 2013

Report 4 Report Back – Response to a Petition In Respect to Changes to the Cost of Starley Road Visitor’s Parking Permits

Recommendations

- (1) The Cabinet Member (Public Services) is recommended to approve that the review of the Starley Road residents’ parking scheme is deferred for the time being and undertaken in conjunction with a review of all other residents’ parking schemes during the spring / summer 2014.

The above recommendation was approved with the following additional recommendation

- (2) The officers to liaise with the petition organiser to make arrangements for a resident’s meeting to be held in January, 2014 to brief residents on the review of residents’ parking including the proposals for the City Centre.

Report 5 Objection to Traffic Regulation Order - Proposed Bus Gate on Park Road

Recommendations

The Cabinet Member is recommended to:

1. Consider the objection against the proposed Traffic Regulation Order and two responses in support
2. Subject to recommendation 1 approve the implementation of the TRO as advertised.

Report 6 Proposed Policy Review - Vehicle Specification for Taxis

Recommendations

The Cabinet Member (Public Services) is recommended to:

1. Approve that consideration is given to the development of a holistic strategy for the provision of transport for disabled people in Coventry in light of the possible transfer of the Ring and Ride function to the City Council and other cross-cutting service reviews;

2. Approve that more detailed and targeted analysis is undertaken on the impact on wheelchair users as outlined in paragraph 2.3 of this report; and
3. Request that a further report is presented with the findings and recommendations from points 1 and 2 above for consideration as soon as practicable.

Delete the above recommendations and insert the following.

- (1) Consideration of the report be deferred until the next scheduled Cabinet Member Meeting on 21st January, 2014 to obtain legal advice in respect of legal representations received shortly prior to the meeting and the matters raised at the meeting.
- (2) Approval be given to allow the use of vehicles over ten years up until 31st May, 2014, subject to the vehicle passing the inspection test and also allowing the opportunity for a retest, if appropriate.

The above recommendations were approved.

Report 7 Outstanding Minutes

Recommendations

The Cabinet Member (Public Services) is requested to consider the list of outstanding issues and to ask the Member of the Management Board or appropriate officer to explain the current position on those which should have been discharged at this meeting or an earlier meeting.

The above recommendation was approved.

Cabinet – 10th December, 2013

○Report 5 2013/14 Second Quarter Revenue and Capital Monitoring and Treasury Management Report (to September 2013)

Councillor Gannon

Recommendations

Cabinet is recommended to:

1. Approve a reserve contribution of £0.8m to fund one-off expenditure relating to temporary additional staffing within Children's Social Care within the People Directorate.
2. Note the projected revenue overspend and endorse the proposed actions to balance the budgetary position by year-end.
3. Approve the revised capital estimated outturn position for the year of £82m incorporating:
 - (i) £7.8m increase in spending relating to approved/technical changes, (see Appendix 2),
 - (ii) £3.6m net rescheduling of expenditure into 2014/15, (see Appendix 4).
 - (iii) £0.1m net underspending on the programme.

The above recommendations were approved.

Report 6 Pre-Budget Report 2014/15

Councillor Gannon

Recommendations

Cabinet is recommended to:

- (1) Approve the content of the report, the spending and savings options in Section 2 and Appendix 1, and the proposed approach on Council Tax in 1.7 as the basis for the Council's budget consultation process.
- (2) Approve the revised Discretionary Rate Relief policy at Appendix 2 as a basis for public consultation.

The above recommendations were approved.

#Report 7 Coventry Council Plan

Councillors Mrs Lucas and Gannon

Recommendations

The Cabinet is requested to:

1. Recommend that the Council approve the new Council Plan attached as Appendix 1 of this report.

The above recommendations were approved.

#Report 8 University of Warwick and Westwood Business Park Congestion Relief Scheme

Councillor Lancaster

Recommendations

Cabinet are requested to recommend that Council:

- (1) Approve the delivery of the University of Warwick and Westwood Business Park Congestion Relief Scheme totalling £5.222m as outlined in sections 1 and 2 below.
- (2) Approve Coventry City Council capital expenditure of £1.725m funded by external grant from the Department for Transport.
- (3) Delegate authority to sign legally binding funding agreements with the Department for Transport and University of Warwick, including section 151 officer sign-off, by the Executive Director of Resources, in consultation with the Cabinet Member (Public Services) for the grant funding.

The above recommendations were approved.

#Report 9 Amendments to Terms of Reference for West Midlands Joint Committee

Councillor Mrs Lucas

Recommendations

The Cabinet is recommended to:

1. Accept the amended terms of reference of the West Midlands Joint Committee as set out in appendix 2 insofar as they relate to executive functions of the Council, and that the Assistant Director Legal and Democratic Services and Monitoring Officer be authorised to take any necessary and consequential actions to give effect to this decision.
2. Authorise the Leader of the Council, in consultation with the Chief Executive, to send or sign a letter of support to the relevant Secretary of States in connection with the proposed structural changes to the Integrated Transport Authority.

The above recommendations were approved.

Report 10 MIPIM 2014 – Authority for Attendance 11th – 14th March 2014

Councillor Kelly

Recommendations

Cabinet is recommended to:

Approve a delegation from Coventry attend MIPIM, comprising Leader of the Council - Cllr Lucas; Cabinet Member (Business, Enterprise and Employment) – Cllr Kelly; Chief Executive – Martin Reeves; Executive Director Place – Martin Yardley; Assistant Director City Centre and Development Services – David Cockroft; and two further support officers from Place Directorate.

The above recommendation was approved.

#Report 11 Commercial Property - Ground Lease Disposals

Councillor Kelly

Recommendations

Cabinet are requested to recommend that Council:

1. Approve the list of properties set out in appendix 1 of this report for lease restructure or freehold disposal subject to detailed terms being approved in accordance with the Council's constitution and in compliance with Section 123 of the Local Government Act 1972.
2. Approve that the proceeds of any disposal be allocated to reduce debt servicing costs in accordance with the Council's Medium Term Financial Strategy, which provides that prudential borrowing should be repaid from capital receipts as they are generated.
3. Approve that the savings realised through debt reduction are allocated against the savings targets for the Strategic Review of Property - Fundamental Service Review.
4. Delegated authority to the Assistant Director - Property Asset Management to approve the terms of the individual lease restructures and freehold disposals.

The above recommendations were approved

Report 12 1 Lincoln Street - Land Disposal

Councillor Kelly

Recommendations

Cabinet is requested to:

- 1) Approve the terms for the land transfer of the land at 1 Lincoln Street as outlined in your private report.
- 2) Delegate authority to the Executive Director of Place and Executive Director of Resources to complete all the necessary legal documents in connection with the sale.

The above recommendations were approved.

Report 13 Outstanding Issues

Councillor Mrs Lucas

Recommendations

The Cabinet are recommended to consider the list of outstanding items as set out below and to ask the Member of the Management Board concerned to explain the current position on those which should have been discharged at this meeting or an earlier meeting.

The above recommendation was approved.

Limitations on Call-in

A call-in will normally be regarded as appropriate **UNLESS**:-

1. it falls within paragraph 4.5.26 of the Scrutiny rules (part 4 of the Constitution) – ie. it relates to:
 - (i) a matter which is to be determined by the Council.
 - (ii) a decision of the Cabinet/Cabinet Member taken as a matter of urgency and the Chair of the Scrutiny Co-ordination Committee (or his/her nominee) had been invited to attend the meeting where the urgent decision had been taken or the Scrutiny Co-ordination Committee has previously agreed the need for urgency.
 - (iii) a decision made by an employee exercising delegated authority.
 - (iv) decisions of the Licensing and Regulatory Committee.
 - (v) decisions of the Planning Committee.
 - (vi) decisions of the Appeals and Appointments Panels.
 - (vii) decisions of the Audit Committee.
 - (viii) a matter where the associated report has already been considered by the Scrutiny Co-ordination Committee or a Scrutiny Board who have endorsed the recommendations or made recommendations that have been accepted by the Cabinet/Cabinet Member.
2. The call-in form is not completed correctly.
3. The call-in form is received after the specified time.
4. The reason for the call-in is unclear or does not relate directly to the decision specified on the call-in form.
5. The reason for the call-in is a question, the answer to which can be found in the report relating to the decision which is being called in.



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