



Coventry City Council

SUMMARY OF CABINET/CABINET MEMBER DECISIONS

**WEEK COMMENCING 15 DECEMBER
2014**

**CALL IN FOR THESE DECISIONS ENDS
9.00 A.M. ON MONDAY 5 JANUARY 2015**

19 DECEMBER 2014

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.
- Split recommendations. Please see note at foot of item for details of the recommendations that are not subject to call-in.

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

Joint Cabinet Members for Health and Adult Services and for Community Development, Co-operatives and Social Enterprise – 17 December 2014

Report 4 Active Citizens, Strong Communities: Coventry's Asset-based Working Strategy and Initial Implementation Plan 2014-15

Recommendations:

The Cabinet Member (Health and Adult Services) and the Cabinet Member (Community Development, Co-operatives and Social Enterprise) are recommended to –

1. Endorse the policy direction of the emerging strategy and the initial implementation plan.
2. Invite the Communities and Neighbourhoods Scrutiny Board (4) to contribute suggestions regarding priorities and implementation.
3. Approve that the Director of Public Health reports back on progress to both Cabinet Members by ~~December~~ June 2015, and recommend further priorities for implementing the strategy during 2016.

The above recommendations, subject to the minor amendment in bold, were approved.

Cabinet Member for Policing and Equalities – 18 December 2014

Report 5 Public Space Protection Order (Coventry Dog Control)

Recommendations:

The Cabinet Member is requested to recommend that Cabinet approve:

- (1) The creation of a City-wide Public Space Protection Order (Coventry Dog Control) incorporating the following controls: Fouling of land by dogs; dogs on leads; dogs on leads by direction; and dogs exclusion and Dogs (specified maximum)
- (2) The consultation and consideration of the views from the 'park friends groups' (paragraph 2.3) concerning the areas within parks to be covered by the Public Space Protection Order prior to its implementation.
- (3) Setting the level of the Fixed Penalty Notice payable for breaches of the Public Space Protection Order at £100, but reduced to £60 if paid within 14 days.
- (4) Launching an education campaign prior to the launch of the Public Space Protection Order and operate an 'advisory notice' system of fixed penalty notice for the new offences under the Public Space Protection Order for a three month period. However, it is proposed that Dog fouling offences will continue to receive a Fixed Penalty Notice, from the Public Space Protection Order implementation date at the new proposed rate.

The above recommendations were approved together with the following additional recommendations:

- (5) Prior to this report with recommendations being presented to Cabinet on 6 January 2015, officers are directed to prepare a briefing note to include:
 - (a) Additional specific issues raised in representations made at the Cabinet Member for Policing and Equalities meeting held on 18 December 2014 and;
 - (b) Further specific recommendations that they believe appropriate for consideration by Cabinet and/or referral back to Cabinet Member.
- (6) That subject to the decision of Cabinet on 6 January 2015, there be a review of these arrangements at the relevant Cabinet Member meeting on or before 31 December 2015.

Report 6 Further Progress Report on Action taken to Improve Security to Open Land at the Rear of 2-66 Brookside Avenue

Recommendations:

The Cabinet Member is requested to:-

1. Endorse the additional action taken by Officers and to support a proportionate response to the anti-social behavioural issues identified by residents', with the provision of fencing as detailed in this report, subject to a successful funding bid to the Community Grant Fund.
2. Request officers to liaise with the Police to ensure they continue to patrol the area and to respond to any issues raised or identified and, if appropriate to exercise their powers to obtain identities of and disperse groups of individuals that are likely to cause nuisance or offending behaviour
3. Endorse the continued efforts of the Community Development Service to work with the community in tackling local issues including litter and environmental issues.
4. Request Officers to continue to monitor incidents of crime and nuisance together with the effectiveness of their action and to respond appropriately to any such issues.

The above recommendations were approved together with the following additional recommendations:

5. Request the Head of Community Safety to draft a letter to the Chief Superintendent of Police commending the work of the Local Neighbourhood Policing Team, but expressing disappointment that when they are not in attendance, there is no uniformed presence in the area. The letter to be copied to Councillor Singh for information.
6. Direct officers to access forthwith funding of £5000 by way of Partnership funding from the Police and Crime Board to provide for the installation of pallisade fencing to the relevant part of the Allesley Old Road.
7. Direct the Head of Community Safety to explore at the earliest opportunity the installation of high tech CCTV cameras in the vicinity, in consultation with the Police.
8. Request a further report to review progress at the Cabinet Member meeting scheduled for 23 April 2015.

Report 7 Update Report in Response to a Petition Concerning a Property in Earlsdon Ward

Recommendations:

The Cabinet Member is recommended to:

- (1) Endorse the action already taken and planned to address the conditions at this property.

- (3) Request a further report to be submitted to the Cabinet Member on 26 March 2015 detailing progress made on resolving the issues.

The above recommendations were approved together with the following additional recommendations:

- (2) Direct officers to:
 - (a) Take action to issue a 14 day warning letter as to Notice of Intended Prosecution on 6 March 2015 in the event of non-compliance of Section 215 Notice served on 3 September 2014.
 - (b) Take action to seek authority at the earliest available date from the Planning Committee for the institution of appropriate proceedings in the Magistrates Court in the event of non-compliance with the Section 215 Notice served on 3 September 2014.
 - (c) In the event of continuation of non-compliance with the Section 215 Notice served on 3 September 2014, and after the Notice of Intended Prosecution has expired on 21 March 2015, and subject to (b) above, proceedings be issued in the Magistrates Court no later than 28 March 2015.

Report 8 Magistrates' Court Building

Recommendations:

Cabinet Member is recommended to:

- (1) Note the progress made since the last report dated 14th November 2014 and direct that a further report be submitted for consideration at the Cabinet Member meeting on 22nd January, 2015;

The above recommendation was approved.

Report 9 Outstanding Issues Report

Recommendations

The Cabinet Member (Policing and Equalities) 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 together with the following additional recommendation:

- (a) The Cabinet Member requested a private report to be submitted to the meeting on 22 January 2015 detailing the current situation in respect of the Old Hall, Tamworth Road.

Item 10 Any Other Business

- (a) Resolved that the Cabinet Member for Policing and Equalities gives approval for the Lord Mayor, the Cabinet Member for Business Enterprise and Employment and senior officers to undertake a visit to New Delhi and north-west India as part of the Trade and Investment Delegation organised by the UK Trade and Investment (UKTI) from 21 to 28 February 2015.

Joint Cabinet Members for Business, Enterprise and Employment and for Policing and Equalities – 18 December 2014

Report 5 Update Report in Response to a Petition Regarding the Condition of an Empty Home in Holbrooks

The Cabinet Members for Policing and Equalities and for Business, Enterprise and Employment are recommended to:

- a. Instruct Officers to continue to follow procedure which will ultimately lead to the serving of a notice under s.215 Town & Country Planning Act 2000 if sufficient progress has not been made by the owner **no later than 7 January 2015.**
- b. Agree to receive a further progress report before the 28 February 2015.

Recommendation 2 was approved and recommendation 1 was amended, as indicated in bold and approved.

Limitations on Call-in

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

1. it falls within paragraph 18 of the Scrutiny rules (Part 3E 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 and Procurement 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.