



Coventry City Council

SUMMARY OF CABINET/CABINET MEMBER DECISIONS

WEEK COMMENCING 23 March 2015

**CALL IN FOR THESE DECISIONS ENDS
9.00 A.M. ON TUESDAY 7 APRIL 2015**

27 March 2015

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.

Cabinet Member for Business, Enterprise and Employment – 23 March 2015

Report 4 Progress Report to the Secretary of State for Energy and Climate Change Regarding Energy Conservation Measures in the Housing Sector

Recommendations:

Cabinet Member for Business, Enterprise and Employment is requested to:

- (1) Consider any recommendations made by Business, Economy and Enterprise Scrutiny Board (3).
- (2) Agree to the submission of the progress report set out in Appendix B to the Secretary of State for Energy and Climate Change by 31 March 2015.
- (3) Agree to the progress report being made available to the public on the Coventry City Council website.

The above recommendations were approved. In respect of recommendation (1), the Cabinet Member noted the concerns raised by the Scrutiny Board and with regard to expressing these concerns to the Secretary of State, he resolved to review the matter further in the future.

Report 5 Place Directorate Fees and Charges 2015/16 – Business, Enterprise and Employment Portfolio

Recommendations:

The Cabinet Member is recommended to:

1. Approve the new fees/charges with effect from 1st April 2015 in respect of the Street Trading Pedi-Cycle hire as detailed in paragraph 2.1 of this report.
2. Acknowledge the increase in Section 106 agreement administration fee/charge as detailed in paragraph 2.1 of this report; and
3. Request that Planning Committee at its meeting on 2 April 2015 considers and approves the increase in Section 106 agreement administration fee/charge as detailed in paragraph 2.1 of this report.

Planning Committee is requested to consider and approve the increase in Section 106 agreement administration fee/charge as detailed in paragraph 2.1 of this report

The above recommendations were approved.

Joint Cabinet Members for Strategic Finance and Resources and Community Development, Co-operatives and Social Enterprise – 24 March 2015

Report 4 The Thirds Scheme

Recommendations:

Cabinet Members (Community Development, Co-operatives and Social Enterprise) and (Strategic Finance and Resources) are recommended to:

1. Agree a local authority contribution of £30,000 from the Policy Contingency fund of the Cabinet Member (Strategic Finance and Resources) to support the Thirds Scheme.
2. Approve the implementation of the Thirds Scheme proposal as detailed within the report.

The above recommendations were approved and the following was also resolved:

3. Six months after the Thirds Scheme is implemented a review report will be submitted to the Joint Cabinet Members.

Joint Cabinet Members for Business, Enterprise and Employment and Policing and Equalities – 25 March 2015

Report 5 Update in response to a petition regarding the condition of an empty home in Holbrooks

Recommendations:

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

- (1) Endorse the action already taken and planned to address the conditions at this property;
- (2) Request that officers seek authority at the earliest available date from Planning Committee for (a) the institution of appropriate proceedings in the Magistrates' Court in the event of non-compliance with the Section 215 Notice served on 4 February 2015; and (b) to undertake works in default to secure compliance with the Notice, should proceedings in the Magistrates Court be successful and the owner fail to comply with the Notice following a further compliance period.

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

- (3) Request that a further progress report be submitted to a Joint Cabinet Members' meeting by the end of July 2015.

**Joint Cabinet Members for Strategic Finance and Resources,
Business, Enterprise and Employment and Policing and Equalities – 25
March 2015**

Report 6 Progress made in bringing long-term empty homes back into use

Recommendations:

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

1. Endorse the actions that have been taken outlined in the report to address long-term empty homes in the City;
2. Support the request to change the maintenance of the Empty Homes Database enabling a greater focus on empty homes that are causing problems, and
3. Request a further report **to be submitted to a Joint Cabinet Members' meeting by 31st July 2015.**

The above recommendations were amended as indicated in bold and approved.

Cabinet Member for Policing and Equalities – 26 March 2015

Report 5 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; and emphasise that time is of the essence
- (2)
 - (a) Note that Planning Committee have authorised the issue of appropriate proceedings in the Magistrates Court.
 - (b) Direct that the Legal Services Department of Coventry City Council issue legal proceedings as a matter of urgency.
- (3) Request a further report be submitted to the Cabinet Member before the 30th April 2015 detailing progress in respect of legal proceedings and progress made on resolving the issues.
- (4) Councillor Andrews and the Petition organisers be invited to the meeting for the consideration of this item.

The above recommendations were amended as indicated in bold and approved.

Report 6 Proposed Amendment to Code of Conduct for Elected and Co-opted Members

Recommendations:

1. Cabinet Member (Policing and Equalities) is recommended to:

Recommend to Council that it approves the additional wording to the Code of Conduct and that Part 4A of the Council's constitution is amended accordingly.

The above recommendation was approved.

Report 7 Licensing Act 2003 - Revised Statement of Licensing Policy

Recommendations:

The Cabinet Member for Policing and Equalities is requested to consider all comments made by the Licensing and Regulatory Committee in conjunction with the draft revised Statement of Licensing Policy and authorise the Executive Director of Place to carry out the consultation as detailed in the report.

The above recommendations were approved.

Report 8 Outstanding Issues Report

Recommendations:

The Cabinet Member for 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.

Report 9 Magistrates' Court Building

Recommendations:

Cabinet Member is recommended to:

- (1) Note the successful conclusion of this matter **and congratulates David Williams for the work undertaken for the benefit of Coventry City Council**

The above recommendation 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 Procedure Rules (Part 3E of the Constitution) – ie. it relates to:-
 - (a) a matter which is to be determined by the Council.
 - (b) 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.
 - (c) a decision made by an employee exercising delegated authority unless it is a key decision
 - (d) decisions of the Licensing and Regulatory Committee, the Planning Committee, the Appeals and Appointments Panels and the Audit and Procurement Committee
 - (e) 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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