



Coventry City Council

SUMMARY OF CABINET/CABINET MEMBER DECISIONS

WEEK COMMENCING 20 April 2015

**CALL IN FOR THESE DECISIONS ENDS
9.00 A.M. ON FRIDAY 1 MAY 2015**

24 April 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 Public Services – 23 April 2015

Report 4 **Petition- Request for Traffic Calming and a Pedestrian Crossing on Beake Avenue**

Recommendations:

The Cabinet Member for Public Services is recommended to -

- i) Note the concerns of the petitioners
- ii) Endorse the addition of Beake Avenue on the perceived safety scheme and for inclusion in a future year's Transportation and Highway Maintenance Capital Programme;
- iii) To support endeavours to introduce Community Speed Watch along Beake Avenue in collaboration with West Midlands Police.

The above Recommendation was approved.

Report 5 Petition- Resurfacing and Maintenance of the Road and Pavements at Poplar Road, Earlsdon

Recommendations:

The Cabinet Member for Public Services is recommended to -

- 1) Approve that the road and pavements continue to be held as sites on Coventry City's forward programme list and their condition be subject to on-going monitoring and be prioritised and scored against all other similar sites Citywide, and when a priority score is reached that they be included in any future maintenance treatment programmes, budget permitting.

The above Recommendation was approved along with the following additional Recommendations:

- 2) Sites visits of Poplar Road be undertaken to investigate:
 - a) The state of the gulleys at the side of the road
 - b) The lines on the road and the signage.
- 3) A letter be sent to local businesses informing of the problems caused by their delivery lorries.
- 4) Arrangements be made for a community speed watch to be undertaken in Poplar Road.
- 5) A further progress report be submitted to a future meeting of the Cabinet Member in six months time.

Report 6 Outstanding Issues

Recommendations:

The Cabinet Member for 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 Member for Policing and Equalities – 23 April 2015

Report 5 Further progress report on action taken to improve security to open land at rear the 2-66 Brookside Avenue

Recommendations:

The Cabinet Member is recommended to:

- 1 Endorse the additional actions taken by Officers as outlined in this report **and thank the officers for their efforts in this respect.**
- 2 Request officers to liaise with the Police **and request** 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, **and that a letter be sent by the Cabinet Member to the local Police Commander Chief Inspector Bell requesting that the presence of police officers be reinforced in the area. A copy of the letter be sent to Councillors Innes and Singh, Whoberley Ward Councillors and the petition spokesperson for information.**
- 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.

Recommendations 3 and 4 were approved, recommendations 1 and 2 were amended as indicated in bold and approved, together with the following additional recommendation:

- 5 Request an updated report detailing any further issues or incidents to Cabinet Member for Policing and Equalities or his successor on or before 31 October 2015.

Report 6 Progress report on improvements made to the environment and security of the Hearsall area of Coventry

Recommendations:

The Cabinet Member is recommended to:

1. Acknowledge and endorse the additional work of Officers since the last Cabinet Member meeting as detailed in section two of this report.
2. Request Officers to:
 - a. Continue to work with the local residents' group and support them when and where required.
 - b. Continue to work with the local residents' group and support them when and where required.

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

3. To direct that the Assistant Director, through appropriate officers investigates the schedule of properties provided at the Cabinet Member meeting by the petition spokesperson and to report by way of a briefing note to the Cabinet Member for Policing and Equalities within 28 days as to the extent, if at all, any refuse bins remain on the street or in breach of the relevant regulations and/or law, and where there is evidence of continued breaches to take enforcement action.
4. To direct that the Assistant Director puts in place a focused programme of additional training and instruction to Neighbourhood Enforcement Officers and any other relevant officers as to their relevant enforcement powers in this area, such a programme to have been implemented and concluded within 28 days of this meeting (23 April 2015).

Report 7 The work of the England Illegal Money Lending Team in Coventry

Recommendations:

The Cabinet Member is requested to acknowledge the information in the report in answer to 3 specific questions raised at his Cabinet Member Meeting dated 26 February 2015.

The above Recommendation was approved together with the following additional recommendation:

2. A copy of relevant report from the Cabinet Member meeting held on 26 February 2015 and a copy of this report be sent to the West Midlands Police and Crime Commissioner David Jamieson and to the local Police Commander Chief Inspector Bell for their information.

Report 8 Progress report on the change to the Constitution: Appointments to Appeals Committee

Recommendations:

The Cabinet Member is recommended to request Officers to:

1. Acknowledgement the amendment of paragraph 1 of Part 3J of the Constitution removing the prohibition on Cabinet Member sitting on the Appeals Committee in connection with appeals by employees only, subject to them receiving the appropriate training.
2. Request Officers to continue with the operation of the new arrangements

The above Recommendations were approved together with the additional following recommendation:

3. Request the Assistant Director for Resources to report to the Cabinet Member for Policing and Equalities or his successor on or before 30 June 2015 as to those Cabinet Members who have not undertaken the relevant training.

Report 9 Outstanding Issues Report

Recommendations:

The Cabinet Member is recommended to request Officers to:

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.

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.