



Coventry City Council

SUMMARY OF CABINET/CABINET MEMBER DECISIONS

WEEK COMMENCING 3 AUGUST 2015

**CALL IN FOR THESE DECISIONS ENDS
9.00 A.M. ON FRIDAY 14 AUGUST 2015**

7 AUGUST 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 – 4 August

Report 4 **Petition – Request for Traffic Calming and Speed limit reduction along Hollyfast Lane**

Recommendations:

The Cabinet Member for Public Services is recommended to:

- i) Note the concerns of the petitioners;
- ii) Approve the introduction of warning signs along Hollyfast Lane to be funded from the current year's Transportation and Highway Maintenance Capital Programme;
- iii) To support endeavours of local volunteers to introduce collaborative efforts with West Midlands Police to resolve unauthorised use of Hollyfast Lane as a shortcut through informal or formal enforcement action.

The above Recommendations were approved, along with the following Recommendation:

- iv) Approve the introduction of a slow sign at the end of Hollyfast Lane by Tamworth Road and request officers review the positioning of existing signs to ensure that they are visible to road users, also cutting back hedges if necessary.

Report 5 Petition – Request for Pedestrian Crossing facilities on Mercer Avenue

Recommendations:

The Cabinet Member for Public Services is recommended to:

- i) Note the concerns of the petitioners;
- ii) Endorse the addition of Mercer 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 Mercer Avenue in collaboration with West Midlands Police.

The above Recommendations were approved, along with the following additional Recommendation:

- iv) Request officers investigate the trees at Mercer Avenue undertaking any work that are required.

Report 6 Petition – Improvements to Pavements along Green Lane North.

Recommendations:

The Cabinet Member for Public Services is recommended to:

- 1. Approve that the pavements at Green Lane North be held as a site on Coventry City's forward maintenance 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 the pavements be included in any future maintenance treatment programmes, budget permitting.

The above Recommendation was approved.

Report 7 Petition – Council to recognise the need for and to provide public toilets in and around the Quinton Pool Park Area and Daventry Road Shops

Recommendations:

Cabinet Member is recommended to

- (1) Note the petition, and
- (2) Encourage the petitioners to fundraise for a replacement public toilet provision and its running costs, and
- (3) Having regard to the condition of the current toilets at Daventry Road, **approval be given for the existing toilets to be demolished.**

The above Recommendations were approved, Recommendation 3 having been amended as indicated in bold.

Report 8 Response to E-Petition and consideration of objection relating to proposed A45/Broad Lane Junction Improvement Scheme

Recommendations:

The Cabinet Member for Public Services is recommended to:

1. Note the concerns of the petitioners and consider the objection received.
2. Approve that the planned scheme and TRO as advertised be implemented, subject to the modifications as outlined in paragraphs 2.4.2 and 2.5.3 of this report.

The above Recommendations were approved.

Report 9 Phase 3c Review of Taxi Policies

Recommendations:

The Cabinet Member for Public Services is recommended to:

1. Approve the accepted practice of the Taxi Licensing Office in respect of tinted Windows for private hire vehicles as detailed in paragraph 2.4 below.
2. Approve the amendment to the existing policy for private hire vehicles that extends the exemption for displaying the plate and stickers to all vehicles exclusively used for executive work, as well as allowing an exemption based upon vehicle type as detailed at paragraph 2.12 below, **(Subject to consultation on the possibility of displaying a sticker on the windscreen to be displayed externally)**.
3. Approve the proposal to adopt conditions of licence in respect of stretched limousines as per Appendix A.
4. Approve the proposal to adopt additional conditions of licence for fire engines and other similar novelty vehicles as per Appendix B subject to a period of consultation with potential consultees at Appendix D to take effect within three months.

The above Recommendations were approved, Recommendation 2 having been amended as indicated in bold.

Report 10 Child Sexual Exploitation (CSE) Training for Coventry City Council Licensed Hackney Carriage and Private Hire Drivers

Recommendations:

The Cabinet Member for Public Services is recommended to:

1. Approve that from 1 September 2015 it will be the Council's policy that a hackney carriage or private hire driver's licence will not be renewed/re-granted at such time as the licence next falls for renewal/re-grant unless the driver can confirm that they have undertaken a CSE Training course provided by Coventry City Council and that Coventry City Council will look towards making mandatory three yearly training compulsory in the future.
2. Approve a transitional arrangement for drivers' licences falling for renewal/re-grant between 1 September 2015 and 31 December 2015 whereby their applications may be granted if they have booked to attend a course within the following 3 months (a failure to attend a pre-booked course within 3 months will be dealt with by a review of the licence).

The above Recommendations were approved.

Report 11 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.

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.



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