



MEETING OF THE CABINET
9 MARCH 2009 - 11.00 AM – 11.59 AM

PRESENT:

Councillor Ray Auger
Councillor Paul Carpenter
Councillor Mrs Frances Cartwright
Councillor Mrs Maureen Spencer-Gregson O.B.E.

Councillor Mrs. Linda Neal - Chairman

Chief Executive
Corporate Head Finance & Customer Services
Legal Services Manager
Human Resources and Organisational Development Service Manager
Economic Development & Town Centre Management Service Manager
Principal Officer, Economic Development
Financial Management Team Leader
Planning Policy Service Manager
Local Strategic Partnership Co-ordinator
Cabinet Support Officer

Non-Cabinet Members :
Councillor Peter Martin-Mayhew

CO61. APOLOGIES

An apology was received from Councillor Smith.



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CO62. MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 9th February were confirmed as a correct record of the meeting.

CO63. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (IF ANY)

No declarations of interest were made.

CO64. *DRAFT ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY 2009-2014

DECISION:

- 1) To note the consultee responses to the Draft Economic Development Strategy 2009-2014 and the responses made by the Service Manager (Economic Development) to these submissions.**
- 2) To approve the Economic Development Strategy 2009-2014 for South Kesteven District Council subject to changes to be made as a result of the responses made to the consultation.**
- 3) To instructs the Service Manager for Economic Development to make any final changes in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Economic Development before distributing to partners.**

Considerations/Reasons for decisions:

- 1) Report number EDTC0077 by the Portfolio Holder for Economic Development.
- 2) Comments from the Economic Development & Town Centre Management Service Manager regarding consultation responses and changes made to the Economic Development Strategy.
- 3) Comments made by Cabinet Members regarding changes made to reflect consultation responses that references to Stamford Welland Quarter should not be altered to Stamford Priory Development at this stage.

CO65. *PEOPLE AND WORKFORCE STRATEGY

DECISION:

- 1) To approve the People and Workforce Strategy for implementation and delivery of an appropriate action plan.**

2) To authorize the Portfolio Holder to make minor amendments to the strategy.

Considerations/Reasons for decisions:

- 1) Report number SD27 by the Portfolio Holder for Organisational Development and Housing.
- 2) Comments made by the Human Resources and Organisational Development Service Manager.
- 3) Comments from the Resources PDG relating to some of the terminology used in the report and citation of some of the sources for examples of comparison information within the strategy which were to be amended in the final version .
- 4) Comments from the Cabinet Members regarding the constant changing nature of a strategy such as this one.
- 5) Comments from the Cabinet Members relating to customer service centres planned for the south of the district.

Other options considered and assessed:

The further development of an overarching approach to the development of the skills, knowledge and capacity of the workforce is fundamental to achievement of key business objectives.

CO66. FINANCIAL REPORT FOR 2008/09: MONITORING INFORMATION AND FORECAST OUTTURN

DECISION:

To note the comments and figures contained within report CHFCS32.

Considerations/Reasons for decision:

- 1) Report number CHFCS32 by the Portfolio Holder for Assets and Resources.
- 2) Comments made by the Corporate Head Finance & Customer Services.
- 3) Comments made by Cabinet Members.

CO67. *PARTNERSHIP POLICY

DECISION:

To approve the Partnership Policy 2008.

Considerations/Reasons for decision:

- 1) Report number LSP03 by the Leader of the Council.
- 2) Comments made by the Local Strategic Partnership Co-ordinator.
- 3) Comments made by the Resources PDG.
- 4) Comments made by Cabinet Members regarding the various Lincolnshire Councils and the reasons for working together on a county wide Partnership Policy.

CO68. REVISION TO BOURNE TOWN CENTRE REDEVELOPMENT
SUPPLEMENTARY PLANNING GUIDANCE

DECISION:

- 1) To approve the revisions to the Bourne Town Centre Redevelopment Supplementary Planning Guidance as set out in Appendices A and B of report number PLA748 for consultation.**
- 2) The revised Bourne Town Centre Redevelopment Supplementary Planning Guidance be published for six weeks public consultation.**

Considerations/Reasons for decision:

- 1) Report number PLA748 by the Portfolio Holder for Economic Development.
- 2) Comments made by the Planning Policy Service Manager.
- 3) Comments made by the Cabinet Members with regard to some of the land proposed to be excluded from the SPG area.

Other options considered and assessed:

- 1) Do not revise the SPG - for the reasons set out in section 3.1 of the report, this is not considered to be an appropriate course of action.
- 2) Do not undertake consultation – the Council is bound by its adopted SCI to undertake consultation on planning policy documents prior to their adoption. Undertaking public consultation will also minimise the risk of legal challenge to the revised SPG.

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in accordance with Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended) it was resolved that the public be excluded from the meeting because of the likelihood that otherwise exempt information, as described in paragraph 3 of the Act (as amended) would be disclosed to the public.

CO69. LAND WITHIN BOURNE CORE AREA

The Chairman agreed to deal with this Key Decision under Access to Information Procedure rule 16 because it was a Key Decision that had not been included within the forward plan. The Key Decision could not be deferred until the publication of the next forward plan as the opportunity to purchase land had only just arisen and delay would result in the loss of grant funding.

DECISION:

- 1) That Cabinet approve the purchase of the freehold of land at Bourne in accordance with exempt report number AFM0076 with the terms to be agreed by the Corporate Head of Resources and Organisational Development.**

Considerations/Reasons for decision:

- 1) Exempt report number AFM0076 by the Portfolio Holder for Economic Development.
- 2) Comments made by the s151 Officer and the Monitoring Officer.
- 3) Comments made by Members of the Cabinet.

DATE DECISIONS ARE EFFECTIVE

Decisions CO64, CO65, CO66, CO67 and CO68, as made on 9 March 2009 can be implemented on 18 March 2009 unless subject to call-in by the Scrutiny Committee Chairman or any five members of the Council from any political groups.

Decision CO69 was made under special urgency procedures and is therefore not subject to call-in and can be implemented immediately.

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