



SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CABINET
20 SEPTEMBER 2004 - 10.30 AM – 11.00 AM

PRESENT:

Councillor Peter Martin-Mayhew

Councillor Ray Auger

Councillor Paul Carpenter

Councillor Mrs Frances Cartwright

Councillor Mrs. Linda Neal – Leader / Chairman

Chief Executive

Director of Finance & Strategic Resources

Member Services Manager

Public Relations Consultant

**Non-Cabinet members : Councillors Craft ; Turner ;
G. Wheat**

CO46. APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Bryant and Smith.

CO47. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest made.

CO48. GREEN WASTE RECYCLING SCHEME

This issue was considered as a matter of urgency in accordance with the provisions of part 4 of the Council's Constitution – Access to Information Procedure Rules having regard to the opportunity now facing the Council to resubmit a bid to DEFRA for resources from the National Waste Minimisation

and Recycling Fund. DEFRA requires further information from the Council in order to come to a decision on the resubmission by 22nd September 2004. Some of these issues require executive decisions by the Cabinet.

DECISION: That delegated authority be granted to the Chief Executive to re-submit the bid to the Department of the Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (DEFRA) National Waste Minimisation and Recycling Fund, subject to inclusion of the following components:

- (1) The provision of up to 24,000 wheeled bins for green waste for a one-off contribution of £10 (with appropriate VAT treatment) to be supplied on a first come, first served basis and limited to one bin per household;
- (2) The collection of this material on a fortnightly cycle in the summer and at a frequency to be determined in the winter;
- (3) The extension of the scheme: to include glass when, and if, a facility that meets the accreditation standard becomes available;
- (4) Commencement of the tendering procedure now so that the scheme can be delivered if funding is provided.

Considerations/Reasons for Decision:

- (1) Report number CEX256 by the Chief Executive explaining the reasons behind this new opportunity, the key elements to the scheme (which remain the same as those submitted for the earlier unsuccessful bid), and the issues which arose through discussions which took place on 16th September 2004 between Council representatives and DEFRA;
- (2) If the revised bid is successful, it would enable the Council to make a very significant contribution to one of the Council's key priorities;
- (3) As the funding is only available for 2004/05, the on-going revenue costs in 2005/06 will have to be met from the Council itself. In the original bid these were estimated at £174,000;
- (4) The wheeled bins are to remain the property of the District Council;
- (5) Research is to be undertaken into the implications of ownership/rental of the wheeled bins and methods of payment collection to ensure the adoption of the best mechanism;
- (6) The one-off £10 charge is considered an appropriate balance to be sufficiently attractive to commit to the recycling scheme (i.e. if a person is prepared to pay £10, they are more likely to participate in the scheme) without discouraging take up. Best projections indicate that demand will be met from the resources available;
- (7) Officers to ensure that clear guidelines are issued to residents concerning the types of appropriate material to be placed in the bins and that usage is monitored;
- (8) Comments made by the Vice-Chairman of the Environment DSP who was given special permission to speak without notice having regard to the fact that, in accordance with the Constitution's special urgency provisions, he was consulted prior to the calling of this special meeting.

CO49. REPORTS OF KEY AND NON KEY DECISIONS MADE UNDER
DELEGATED POWER BY PORTFOLIO HOLDERS

Councillor Peter Martin-Mayhew: Portfolio – Housing Services

Decision: To accept the lowest tender submitted by Belmont Joinery (UK) Limited in the sum of £19,650.00 for disabled adaptations to a property on Bourne Road Estate, Colsterworth.

DATE DECISIONS EFFECTIVE:

The decision at minute CO48 was taken in accordance with the special urgency provisions as contained in part 4 of the Constitution – Access to Information Procedure Rules, is not subject to call-in and therefore takes immediate effect.

The non key decision contained in minute CO49 can be implemented on 29th September 2004 unless subject to call-in by the Community DSP.

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