

MINUTES

**CABINET
THURSDAY, 7 JUNE 2018**



**SOUTH
KESTEVEN
DISTRICT
COUNCIL**

THE LEADER: Councillor Matthew Lee (Chairman)
THE DEPUTY LEADER: Councillor Kelham Cooke

CABINET MEMBERS PRESENT

Councillor Helen Goral
Councillor Michael King
Councillor Nick Neilson
Councillor Nick Robins
Councillor Jacky Smith
Councillor Adam Stokes

NON-CABINET MEMBERS PRESENT

Councillor Mike Exton
Councillor Bob Sampson
Councillor Linda Wootten
Councillor Ray Wootten

OFFICERS

Chief Executive (Aidan Rave)
Strategic Director, Growth (Paul Thomas)
Strategic Director, Resources (Debbie Mogg)
Solicitor to the Council (Lucy Youles)
Assistant Chief Executive, Transformation & Change (Lee Sirdifield)
Assistant Director, Commercial & Operational (Ian Yates)
Assistant Director, Housing (Harry Rai)
Assistant Director Resources (Richard Wyles)
Head of Communications (Adrian Smith)
InvestSK (Steve Bowyer)
Principal Democracy Officer (Jo Toomey)

CO1. APOLOGIES

An apology for absence was received from Councillor Dr. Moseley.

CO2. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 10 MAY 2018

The minutes of the meeting held on 10 May 2018 were agreed as a correct

record of the decisions taken.

CO3. DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS (IF ANY)

No interests were disclosed.

CO4. 2017/18 QUARTER 4 PERFORMANCE MONITORING

Decision

The Cabinet noted the contents of report number PPMO07.

Considerations/Reasons for decision

1. Report number PPMO07 of the Deputy Leader of the Council giving performance monitoring information for the final quarter of 2017/18
2. Appendix 1 to report number PPMO07 providing a breakdown of performance against the Council's performance indicators
3. All but two indicators were in the 'green category': percentage of household waste sent for reuse, recycling and composting (amber) and the number of apprentices hosted within the organisation (red)

Other options considered

Members could refer elements of the information given in a performance report to the relevant overview and scrutiny committee for further consideration.

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The Deputy Leader introduced report number PPMO07. He explained that the report showed how the Council was performing against the outputs and outcomes in the Corporate Plan. Members were also reminded that the Council had adopted a new Corporate Strategy at its meeting on 24 May 2018, which would be supported by the introduction of a new performance management methodology.

Reference was made to the red category indicator with an explanation that the number of apprentices within the organisation had fallen below the target because two of the apprentice cohort had taken up permanent positions with the authority. He added that work was underway to increase the number of apprenticeships, including the introduction of apprenticeship positions that operated across the whole Council. Discussions were also planned to explore the introduction of supported internships, which were raised at the Council meeting on 24 May 2018.

Cabinet Members also referred to the Council's performance in respect of the percentage of household waste sent for reuse, recycling and composting. It was noted that the Cabinet Member for Environment was spear-heading work to improve performance against this indicator across the county.

Other aspects of performance that were highlighted included a 24% reduction in fly-tipping since the introduction of the Big Clean and an improvement in business occupancy rates.

It was hoped that the new methodology would provide a real-time indication of performance against targets, allowing timely intervention if performance started to deteriorate. It was also considered as important because of the aspiration to reward staff based on their performance. Members noted that there was also an aim to ensure accurate timely reporting of financial information.

Cabinet Members noted the report.

CO5. MATTERS REFERRED TO CABINET BY THE COUNCIL OR OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY COMMITTEES

Report number LDS290 of the Leader of the Council summarised the activity of the Overview and Scrutiny Committees since the last report was presented to Cabinet on 10 May 2018.

Communities and Wellbeing Overview and Scrutiny Committee

The Chairman of the Communities and Wellbeing Overview and Scrutiny Committee stated that since the last meeting of the Cabinet, a working group of the Committee had met to prepare a response to the Government's 'Integrated Communities Strategy Green Paper'.

He added that the Chief Officer of the South West Lincolnshire Clinical Commissioning Group had been invited to attend a meeting of the Committee however this meeting had been delayed until further information was available on the Sustainability and Transformation Plan for Lincolnshire.

Culture and Tourism Overview and Scrutiny Committee

The Chairman of the Culture and Tourism Overview and Scrutiny advised the Cabinet that the Committee's next meeting would take place on 10 July 2018. She also referred to a recent visit she had made to Grantham Canal. The Leader and Deputy Leader commented on the work of the Grantham Canal Partnership and the importance of canals to the leisure economy and heritage.

Environment Overview and Scrutiny Committee

The Chairman of the Environment Overview and Scrutiny Committee informed Cabinet Members that a working group had been arranged to talk about the Joint Municipal Waste Management Strategy, which was currently subject to consultation. He added that at its next meeting, Cabinet would be presented with a report of the Committee on the introduction of a new street lighting policy.

Growth Overview and Scrutiny Committee

Cabinet Members were reminded of a meeting of the Growth Overview and Scrutiny Committee, which had taken place on 29 May 2018 to consider a call-in of the Cabinet decision made on 10 May 2018 regarding InvestSK. Members were advised that the Committee had not supported the call-in request.

Rural Overview and Scrutiny Committee

The Chairman had nothing to report.

CO6. ITEMS RAISED BY CABINET MEMBERS INCLUDING REPORTS ON KEY AND NON KEY DECISIONS TAKEN UNDER DELEGATED POWERS.

Report number LDS291 of the Leader of the Council informed the Cabinet that no individual Cabinet Member had made any decisions between the date the last report was made to Cabinet on 10 May 2018 and the date on which the agenda for this meeting was issued.

CO7. REPRESENTATIONS RECEIVED FROM NON CABINET MEMBERS

Report number LDS292 of the Leader of the Council informed Cabinet Members that no non-Cabinet Members had submitted requests to speak prior to the publication of the agenda.

CO8. CABINET FORWARD PLAN

Report number LDS293 of the Leader of the Council gave an indication of the items that would be presented to the Cabinet during the 2018/19 municipal year. The report also included items that were scheduled to be considered at Council meetings during the municipal year.

Members were advised that the item on the General Data Protection Regulations needed to be updated to reflect a new decision date of 6 September. The date at which it would need to be considered by relevant overview and scrutiny committees would also need updating.

CO9. ANY OTHER BUSINESS WHICH THE CHAIRMAN, BY REASON OF SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES, DECIDES IS URGENT

The Chairman granted Councillor Ray Wootten the opportunity to speak.

Councillor Wootten referred to a letter from the Chief Officer of the South West Lincolnshire Clinical Commissioning Group and a recent board meeting at which a comment was made about removing the minor injuries unit at Grantham Hospital. He explained that the unit was currently open between 6.30pm and 11:30pm at a cost of £130,000. In the past year he stated that the unit had been used by 65 patients, which the board did not consider offered value for money. Councillor Wootten stated that the only way to access the service was by dialling 111 to get permission to attend. He referred to a general feeling that the service was not well-used because people were not aware that it was available. Consequently, he was trying to increase awareness of the

service to improve take-up and encourage participation in the consultation that was underway to determine the future of the unit.

Cabinet members made comments about the lack of credibility with which United Lincolnshire Hospitals Trust was perceived by residents in Grantham and the Council. Members urged the Trust to come to the area and to be more open about what it was planning.

The Leader concluded the meeting by welcoming the members of the Council's new Senior Management Team.

CO10. CLOSE OF MEETING

The meeting was closed at 14:25.