



MEETING OF THE CABINET
11 MAY 2009 - 11.05 AM – 11.05 AM

PRESENT:

Councillor Ray Auger
Councillor Paul Carpenter
Councillor John Smith
Councillor Michael Taylor

Councillor Mrs. Linda Neal - Chairman

Interim Chief Executive
Strategic Director (IY)
Interim Strategic Director (TB)
Corporate Head Finance & Customer Services
Corporate Head Partnerships & Improvements
Legal Services Manager
Cabinet Support Officer

Non-Cabinet Members :

Councillor Bob Adams
Councillor Nick Craft
Councillor Jeff Thompson

CO1. APOLOGIES

An apology was received from Councillor Mrs Cartwright.

CO2. MINUTES

The Chairman welcomed Councillor Taylor to his first meeting as a member of the Cabinet.



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The minutes of the meeting held on 6 April 2009 were confirmed as a correct record of the meeting.

CO3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (IF ANY)

No declarations of interest were made.

CO4. SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES ACT 2007: FIRST INVITATION TO LOCAL AUTHORITIES TO SUBMIT PROPOSALS

Decision:

- 1) **That the Council should seek to use the Sustainable Communities Act 2007.**
- 2) **To consult with tenants on the proposal to keep all the rent collected on council properties locally and for it to be spent on improving council housing, reducing those houses environmental impact and investing in new affordable housing.**
- 3) **To consider the outcome of this consultation prior to submitting a final proposal to the government by 31 July.**

Considerations / Reasons for decision:

- 1) Report number POI37 by the Portfolio Holder for Access and Engagement.
- 2) Comments made by the Corporate Head for Partnerships and Improvements regarding the Sustainable Communities Act 2007 and the process for submitting proposals.
- 3) Comments received from the Policy Development Groups and raised by Councillors in attendance regarding issues that they wished to see taken forward for local consultation and submission to government.
- 4) Comments made by the Corporate Head for Partnerships and Improvements and Cabinet Members that initially only the issue of the Council retaining 100% of the council housing rent collected within South Kesteven should be submitted for consultation and submission to government.
- 5) Comments made by the Monitoring Officer and Cabinet Members with regard to the need to reconsider taking the issue forward following the results of local consultation.

DATE DECISIONS ARE EFFECTIVE

Decisions CO4, as made on 11 May 2009 can be implemented on 20 May 2009 unless subject to call-in by the Scrutiny Committee Chairman or any five members of the Council from any political groups.

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