

Cabinet

Agenda

Thursday 17 March 2011

The Cabinet will meet at the **SHIRE HALL, WARWICK** on **THURSDAY 17 March 2011** at **1.45 p.m.** The agenda will be:

1. General

(1) **Apologies for absence.**

(2) **Members' Disclosures of Personal and Prejudicial Interests.**

Members are reminded that they should declare the existence and nature of their personal interests at the commencement of the item (or as soon as the interest becomes apparent). If that interest is a prejudicial interest the Member must withdraw from the room unless one of the exceptions applies.

Membership of a district or borough council is classed as a personal interest under the Code of Conduct. A Member does not need to declare this interest unless the Member chooses to speak on a matter relating to their membership. If the Member does not wish to speak on the matter, the Member may still vote on the matter without making a declaration.

(3) **Minutes of the meeting held on the 17 February 2011 and Matters Arising.**

2. Warwickshire Library and Information Service – Facing the Challenge

Report of the Strategic Director of Customers, Workforce and Governance.

Cabinet Portfolio Holder: Councillor Colin Hayfield.

This report provides a series of proposals for the future direction of the service which will achieve the budgetary reductions recommended by Cabinet.

The public reports referred to are available on the Warwickshire Web
www.warwickshire.gov.uk/committee-papers

Recommendations

- (1) That Cabinet approves a 12 week public consultation (March 18 to June 9) based on the proposals contained in this report.
- (2) That Cabinet considers a report on the consultation on 14 July 2011.
- (3) That Cabinet considers the comments made by Communities Overview and Scrutiny Committee on 1 March 2011.

For further information please contact: Kushal Birla, Head of Customer Service and Communications Tel 01926 412013, email kushalbirla@warwickshire.gov.uk or Ayub Khan, Head of Libraries (Strategy) Tel 01926 412657, email ayubkhan@warwickshire.gov.uk

3. Home Care Commissioning Strategy 2011-14

Report of the Strategic Director of Adult Social Care and Health.

Cabinet Portfolio Holder: Councillor Izzi Seccombe.

This report outlines proposals for a new Home Care Commissioning Strategy for the period 2011 to 2014. A report was considered by Cabinet in February 2010, which included plans to tender existing home care services. Further work has been needed to significantly modify our requirements in light of changing financial constraints and the need to increase the pace of modernisation in line with the latest legislative and policy drivers. Cabinet is asked to endorse the proposed strategy, which includes updated plans for continuation of the tendering process.

Recommendations

- (1) That Cabinet endorses the Home Care Commissioning Strategy 2011-14.
- (2) That Cabinet authorises the Strategic Director of Adult, Health and Community Services, the Strategic Director of Customers, Workforce and Governance and the Strategic Director of Resources, in consultation with the Lead Portfolio Holder for Adult Social Care, to determine the method of procurement and make the subsequent award of contracts.

For further information please contact: Rob Wilkes, Service Manager – Care Accommodation & Quality Tel 01926 745371, email robwilkes@warwickshire.gov.uk.

4. Working Together to enable people to Live Well with Dementia. 2011-2014

Report of the Strategic Director of Adult Social Care and Health.

Cabinet Portfolio Holder: Councillor Izzi Seccombe.

This report sets out Warwickshire's response to the National Dementia Strategy and sets out our joint commissioning intentions for people with dementia and their

families.

Recommendation

That Cabinet agree the joint strategic approach and commissioning intentions of the Warwickshire Dementia Strategy and the associated delivery plan.

For further information please contact Christine Lewington, Strategic Commissioning, Adult and Community Services, Tel: 01926 743259 E-mail chrislewington@warwickshire.gov.uk.

5. Warwickshire Child Poverty Strategy

Report of the Strategic Director for Economy and Environment.

Cabinet Portfolio Holder: Councillor Alan Farnell.

The report presents a strategy outlining how Warwickshire will reduce, and mitigate the effects of child poverty in Warwickshire. This follows on from a previous Cabinet report in Sept 2010 which outlined the duties for upper tier authorities under the new Child Poverty Act, March 2010.

Recommendation

That Cabinet endorses the Child Poverty Strategy for Warwickshire.

For further information please contact Julie Smith, Environment and Economy Directorate, Tel. 01926 412537 E-mail julieEsmith@warwickshire.gov.uk

6. Allocation of Home Office Stronger Safer Communities Funding – 2011/12

Report of the Strategic Director for Customers, Workforce and Governance

Cabinet Portfolio Holder: Councillor Richard Hobbs

This paper presents a proposal, recommended by the Safer and Stronger Communities Board, for the allocation of the Stronger Safer Communities grant funding for 2011/12. Cabinet is asked to approve the recommendation of the Safer and Stronger Communities Board.

Recommendation

That Cabinet approves the allocation of 2011/12 Stronger Safer Communities Funding as detailed in the report.

For further information please contact: Tony Archer, Safer Communities Support Officer Tel 01926 412529, email tonyarcher@warwickshire.gov.uk or Kate Nash, Head of Community Safety and Localities Tel 01926 412177, email katenash@warwickshire.gov.uk

7. Proposed collaboration with Warwickshire Police – fleet maintenance and management

Report of the Strategic Director for Environment and Economy.

Cabinet Portfolio Holder: Councillor Alan Cockburn.

Cabinet are asked to approve the investigation of a proposal to collaborate with Warwickshire Police on the possibility of delivering fleet maintenance and fleet management services to both organisations.

Recommendation

That Cabinet give authority for such work as may be necessary to develop a business case for a Joint Venture between Warwickshire County Council and Warwickshire Police to deliver fleet maintenance and fleet management for both organisations.

For further information please contact Alec Would, General Manager, County Fleet Maintenance, Tel 01926 413489 email: alecwould@warwickshire.gov.uk.

8. Warwickshire Local Transport Plan 2011-2026

Report of the Strategic Director for Environment and Economy.

Cabinet Portfolio Holder: Councillor Alan Cockburn.

The County Council has a statutory responsibility to produce a Local Transport Plan (LTP). This sets out the County's Transport Strategy, and provides the framework for how transport and accessibility could be improved across Warwickshire over the next fifteen years. The County Council produced a draft which was subject to a public consultation during Summer 2010. The draft Rights of Way and Recreational Highway Strategy was subject to a separate public consultation during the same timeframe. A final version of the LTP has been prepared following this, and where appropriate, comments from the consultation have been incorporated into the Plan. Cabinet is invited to approve the Final Plan, including the Rights of Way and Recreational Highway Strategy, for recommendation to the Council for formal adoption. In addition, Cabinet is asked to agree the priority bid to Government for the Local Sustainable Transport Fund.

Recommendations

- (1) That Cabinet notes the results of the public consultation on the draft Local Transport Plan (LTP), and approves the proposed response of the County Council to the issues and comments raised in the consultation.
- (2) That Cabinet provides its views to the Council on the LTP Implementation Plan 2011-2015 including the proposed priorities for resource allocation.

- (3) That Cabinet recommends that Council adopts the Final LTP (including any minor modifications proposed by the Strategic Director for Environment and Economy).
- (4) That Cabinet recommends that the Council adopt the Rights of Way and Recreational Highway Strategy contained within the LTP as a revision to the Authority's Rights of Way Improvement Plan.
- (5) That Cabinet agrees Stratford Parkway as the priority scheme for a bid to be submitted to Government for the Local Sustainable Transport Fund, and the Warwick District area modal shift package as a reserve bid should Stratford Parkway be ineligible for funding.

For further information please contact Adrian Hart, Team leader – Transport Planning Tel 01926 412111, e-mail adrianhart@warwickshire.gov.uk

9. Termination of the Fire Control Project

Report of the Chief Fire Officer.

Cabinet Portfolio Holder: Councillor Richard Hobbs

This report sets out the implications of the termination of the Fire Control Project.

Recommendations

- (1) That Cabinet notes the contents of this report concerning the impact of the termination of the Fire Control Project on the future of the West Midlands Fire and Rescue Services Regional Control Centre Limited Company;
- (2) That Cabinet endorses the decision of the Board of Directors on 28 January 2011 that the Company should close down all of its activities and become dormant for a short period of time;
- (3) That Cabinet authorises the Chief Fire Officer to determine, in consultation with the Portfolio Holder, whether to support the dissolution of the Company on behalf of the Warwickshire Fire and Rescue Authority, in the event that a satisfactory agreement has been reached with the Government and the other Fire and Rescue Authorities in the region on the use of uncommitted regional Fire Control grant and other assets;
- (4) That, in the event that the Chief Fire Officer supports dissolution as outlined in recommendation (3), Cabinet authorises the Portfolio Holder (in his capacity as the Company's Director for Warwickshire FRA) to take all steps reasonably necessary to give effect to the dissolution of the Company.

For further information please contact Graeme Smith, Chief Fire Officer, Tel: 01926 423231 E-mail graemesmith@warwickshire.gov.uk.

10. Review of Community Transport Schemes for Value for Money of Revenue Grant

Report of the Strategic Director for Environment and Economy.

Cabinet Portfolio Holder: Councillor Alan Cockburn.

The Council meeting on 15 February 2011 considered the proposed Savings Plan including the proposal to cease providing community transport. An amendment was agreed requesting officers to submit a report to Cabinet with details of the financial review of the community transport schemes currently receiving revenue grant from the County Council.

Recommendation

That Cabinet authorises the Strategic Director for Environment and Economy, following consultation with key providers and user groups and the Lead Portfolio Holder for Environment and Economy, to continue grant support up to a total cost of £45,000 in 2011/12 for those schemes which he considers to offer best value for money.

For further information please contact Stephen Roots, Community Transport Officer, Tel. 01926 412673 E-mail stephenroots@warwickshire.gov.uk.

11. Nuneaton Academy – Project Support Funding

Report of the Strategic Director of Children, Young People and Families.

Cabinet Portfolio Holder: Councillor Heather Timms.

This report details the new project support funding for the Nuneaton Academy.

Recommendation

That the Cabinet considers the approval of the new project support grant of £150,000, available for the Nuneaton Academy, as an addition to the Capital Programme.

For further information please contact John Harmon, Capital & Property – Resources Directorate, Tel 01926 743051, email johnharmon@warwickshire.gov.uk.

EXEMPT ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION IN PRIVATE (PURPLE PAPERS)

12. Reports Containing Confidential or Exempt Information

To consider passing the following resolution:

‘That members of the public be excluded from the meeting for the item mentioned below on the grounds that their presence would involve the

disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972'.

13. Care and Choice Accommodation Programme – Residential Care Home Land for Development of Extra Care Housing

Joint Report of the Strategic Directors of Adult Social Care and Health; Customers, Workforce & Governance; and Resources.

Cabinet Portfolio Holder: Councillor Izzi Seccombe

The report seeks approval for the disposal of County Council-owned sites.

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The reports referred to are available in large print if requested