

CABINET - 4 FEBRUARY 2010

Councillor M R Heenan (Chairman)

Present (for all or part of the meeting):-

Councillors:

Mrs J M Dalgarno	-	Without Portfolio
W D Davis	-	Planning and Regeneration Portfolio
P M M Farrington	-	Community Portfolio
J S Highfield	-	Environment and Health Portfolio
R M Smith	-	Leisure Portfolio

Also present:-

Councillor A H Stafford Northcote

CAB66 MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of 26 January 2010 were submitted and signed.

CAB67 APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor K S Williamson.

CAB68 STONEFIELD PARK - LEISURE FACILITIES

Further to Minute No CAB44/09 of the Cabinet of 3 December 2009, the decision of the Cabinet had been subsequently called in to the Leisure Scrutiny Committee on 15 December 2009.

The Leisure Scrutiny Committee had decided that the matter be referred back to the Cabinet for further consideration in order to allow a meeting between the Cabinet Member and representatives of the Action Group and other interested parties to take place.

The Cabinet now reconsidered the report recently submitted to the meeting on the 3 December 2009 together with additional information as a result of the Cabinet Member's meeting with the representatives of the Action Group and other interested parties on 19 January 2010, as set out in Section 2 of Digest No 139 issued on 5 February 2010.

RESOLVED:- that the decision of the Cabinet, as contained in Minute No CAB44/09, be reaffirmed as follows:-

That:- (i) (a) Section 106 funding be allocated to allow the existing grass tennis courts to be resurfaced to provide

an all year round facility, suitable for all playing abilities, with an appropriate fencing scheme;

(b) Section 106 funding be allocated to enable one gate to be fitted with a magnetic lock enabling the site to be unlocked automatically;

(ii) the undertaking of the Cabinet Member, Leisure, that any other permitted activity on the Courts would be supervised by a competent person, be noted.

CAB69 THE SIX YEAR CORPORATE PLAN FOR THE BOROUGH COUNCIL

Considered a report relating to the annual refresh of the various initiatives contained within the Six Year Corporate Plan, as set out in Section 2 of Digest No 139 issued on 5 February 2010.

An updated version of the Plan was circulated at the meeting.

RESOLVED:- that the proposal of the Leader of the Council be approved as follows:-

That the updated initiatives contained within the Six Year Corporate Plan for the period 2010-2016 be approved.

THIS ITEM IS NOT SUBJECT TO THE CALL IN PROCEDURE AND WILL BE REFERRED TO THE COUNCIL ON 25 FEBRUARY 2010.

CAB70 WASTE MINIMISATION SERVICE DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Considered a report relating to the findings and recommendations of the Environment Scrutiny Committee's Task and Finish Review on Minimising Waste, as set out in Section 2 of Digest No 139 issued on 5 February 2010.

RESOLVED:- that the proposal of the Cabinet Member - Environment be approved as follows:-

That:- (a) the Cabinet notes the findings/ recommendations and thanks the Environment Scrutiny Committee's Task and Finish Review on Waste Minimisation for the work it has undertaken;

- (b) the increase in the intervals between the collection of residual waste from 2 weeks be not supported;
- (c) the use of smaller collection bins be not supported on the basis that it was not felt that they would have the desired effect to increase recycling;
- (d) publicity of waste recycling should be the subject of further development;
- (e) residents be further advised of additional recycling opportunities associated with residual waste.

CAB71 STAFFORD BOROUGH LOCAL DEVELOPMENT FRAMEWORK DELIVERING THE PLAN FOR STAFFORD BOROUGH - DRAFT POLICY CHAPTER

Considered a report relating to the draft policy chapter for public consultation containing preferred policies and justification text for the Stafford Borough Local Development Framework as part of the work programme for preparing the Core Strategy, known as "The Plan for Stafford Borough" through the Preferred Options Stage, as set out in Section 2 of Digest No 139 issued on 5 February 2010.

RESOLVED:- that the proposal of the Cabinet Member - Planning and Regeneration be approved as follows:-

That the draft policy chapter (circulated as a BOOKLET) be approved for public consultation, concerning core policies for the document 'Delivering the Plan for Stafford Borough - preferred approach'.

CAB72 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Councillor M R Heenan declared a prejudicial interest in the following item and left the meeting, taking no part in the discussion or voting thereon.

Councillor Mrs J M Dalgarno (in the Chair)

CAB73 THE PROVISION OF SMALL LOANS THROUGH THE STAFFORDSHIRE CREDIT UNION TO PREVENT REPOSSESSIONS

Considered a report relating to the provision of loans through the Staffordshire Credit Union to prevent repossessions, as set out in Section 2 of Digest No 139 issued on 5 February 2010.

RESOLVED:- that the proposal of the Cabinet Member - Community be approved as follows:-

That £25,000 be provided from Department of Communities and Local Government grants to facilitate interest free loans, to a maximum value of £5,000, through the Staffordshire Credit Union, to people at risk of having their homes repossessed by mortgagees or landlords as set out in the report.

Proceedings commenced at 10.00 am and terminated at 10.30 am .