



*St Edmundsbury*  
BOROUGH COUNCIL

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## **Cabinet** **24 June 2009**

### **Report of the Policy Development Committee: 10 June 2009**

At this meeting the Committee also considered the following issues:-

- (a) Equality Action Plan 2008 - 2011: Progress Made in 2008/2009;
- (b) Partnership Strategy;
- (c) Revising the St Edmundsbury Fuel Poverty Strategy;
- (d) Parish and Town Council Revenue Support Grants; and
- (e) Asset Management Plan and Capital Management Strategy – Performance Management and Implementation Plans.

Separate reports for these items appear on this Cabinet agenda.

#### **1. Annual Report of the Cabinet 2008/2009**

- 1.1 As stated under the report from the Overview and Scrutiny Committee, Members of both Committees provided input into the Cabinet's Annual Report for 2008/2009 on 22 April 2009, and the comments and suggestions made at that meeting have now been incorporated into an updated document, which the Committee was presented with on 10 June 2009. The updated document was received by the Committee.

#### **2. Cabinet Forward Plan: June to September 2009**

- 2.1 The Committee examined the Cabinet's Forward Plan of Key Decisions for the period June to September 2009, but did not ask for any further information or involvement on this occasion.

#### **3. Approval of the 2009/2010 Work Programme**

- 3.1 At an informal meeting of the Committee held in April 2009, a list of potential new items of work for inclusion on the Committee's work programme for 2009/2010 was discussed. This discussion resulted in a ranked list of these potential new work topics based on public interest, the value that could be achieved from carrying out a particular topic, and whether it involved partnership working or external scrutiny.

- 3.2 Members were asked to pick six new areas of work, alongside the previously agreed and ongoing work of the Committee, for inclusion in a draft 2009/2010 work programme, which was presented to the Committee at its last meeting. Members chose to take the six highest scoring issues from the analysis exercise, and these pieces of work had been timetabled and added to a draft Work Programme, which was adopted by the Committee.

#### **4. Re-appointment to Panels, Reviews and Working Groups**

- 4.1 The Committee considered its requirements for 2009/2010 with regard to re-appointment to ongoing Panels, Reviews and Working Groups, specifically the Diversity Group, Abbey Gardens Management Plan Steering Group, Sports Development Review and Olympic Strategy, Tourism Strategy and Community Engagement Strategy. The Committee resolved that should the existing Members of these groups wish to continue, then they will be re-appointed. Should any Members not wish to continue on a particular Panel or Review, then the relevant Group Leader would be requested to nominate an alternative Member. Finally, Councillors Bradbury and Mrs Whittaker were appointed to work with officers on the Community Engagement Strategy.

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