# Cabinet

# Wednesday 25 May 2011 at 5.00 pm in the Conference Room West (F1R09), West Suffolk House, Western Way, Bury St Edmunds

CONSTITUTION: Leader of the Council: Councillor John Griffiths

Deputy Leader of the Council: Councillor Sara Mildmay-White

Councillors: Portfolios:

Terry Clements - Transport and Planning

Robert Everitt - Bury St Edmunds and Community

Anne Gower - Haverhill and Housing
John Griffiths - Rural Affairs and External

Relationships

Sara Mildmay-White - Economy and Asset Management

and Culture and Sport

David Ray - Performance and Organisational

**Development and Resources and** 

Efficiency

Peter Stevens - Environment and Street Scene

QUORUM: Three Members

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# Agenda

# **Procedural Matters**

#### 1. Apologies for Absence

#### 2. Minutes

To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 27 April 2011 (copy attached).

#### 3. Declarations of Interests

Members are reminded of their responsibility to declare any personal or prejudicial interest which they have in any item of business on the Agenda *no later than when that item is reached* and, when appropriate, to leave the meeting prior to discussion and voting on the item.

# Part 1 - Public

(Forward Plan reference (where applicable) shown in brackets)

# <u>Corporate Priority: Raising Corporate Standards and</u> <u>Efficiency</u>

# 4. Report of the Performance and Audit Scrutiny Committee: 26 April 2011

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Report C5 attached.

### Summary and reasons for recommendation:

On 26 April 2011 the Performance and Audit Scrutiny Committee considered the following items:-

- (1) Key Performance Indicators: Fourth Quarter 2010/2011;
- (2) Council Improvement Plan;
- (3) Biannual Corporate Complaints and Compliments Digest;
- (4) Audit Commission Presentation of Audit Plan: Audit 2010/2011;
- (5) Internal Audit Annual Report 2010/2011 and Outline Audit Plan 2011/2012;
- (6) Budget Monitoring Report: 1 April 2010 to 28 February 2011;
- (7) International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) Preparations;
- (8) Corporate Risk Register: Quarterly Monitoring Report; and
- (9) Annual Procurement Report: 2010/2011.

#### Recommendation:

The Cabinet is requested to **NOTE** the report of the Performance and Audit Scrutiny Committee.

### 5. Annual Review and Appointment of Working Parties

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Report C6 attached.

## Summary and reasons for recommendations:

The Cabinet reviews annually its Working Parties and Groups, including membership and Terms of Reference.

#### Recommendations:

### (1) The Public Venue (The Apex) Working Party

The Working Party is now disbanded. Any significant matters to be the subject of a report to Cabinet.

## (2) St Edmundsbury Growth Area Partnership Board

The Board is now disbanded and any residual issues to be the subject of a report to Cabinet.

## (3) Sustainable Development Working Party

The Cabinet is requested to <u>REVIEW</u> the membership and the Terms of Reference of the Sustainable Development Working Party.

#### (4) Shared Services

Merging of Emergency, Central Safety and Joint Staff Consultative Working Parties with Forest Heath District Council be explored.

## (5) Democratic Services Attendance at Meetings

That Cabinet <u>ENDORSE</u> the administration of Working Parties as outlined in Section 5.

# <u>Corporate Priority: Securing a Sustainable and Attractive</u> <u>Environment</u>

#### 6. Generating Income From Renewable Energy: Progress

Contact Officer – Peter Gudde Telephone: 01284-757042 e-mail: peter.gudde@stedsbc.gov.uk

Report C7 attached.

#### Summary and reasons for recommendations:

Following recommendations from the Sustainable Development Working Party and Cabinet, the Council resolved on 14 December 2010 (minute 73(B)(3) refers) that:-

- (1) subject to final survey, tender and further investigation of other sources of funding, up to £410,000 from the unallocated capital provision be allocated to fund renewable energy generation as identified in the investment models set out in Report B317;
- (2) further analysis be carried out of a community-based investment model with the aim of realising an equitable return both for the Council and the community as well as energy and CO<sub>2</sub> savings; and

(3) the Cabinet be given delegated authority to approve the final scheme.

This report sets out the following:-

- (a) the findings of further exploration of other funding avenues;
- (b) preferred procurement routes for renewable technologies; and
- (c) specific investment proposals for renewable energy.

#### Recommendations:

- (a) The preferred procurement routes, as outlined in paragraph 5.4 of Report C7, be adopted; and
- (b) subject to survey, specific funding in the region of £17,000 be allocated from Growth Area Funding for the proposed installation of solar energy generation at the proposed Nowton Park Visitor Centre.
- 7. Growth Area Fund Loan: Hanchett End Business Park, Haverhill

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Narrative item TO FOLLOW.

Part 2 - Private

**NONE**